

Village Board Meeting Minutes
VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE
3720 Greenleaf Avenue, Island Lake, IL 60042*
***Audio/Video Zoom Meeting**
July 9, 2020, 7:30 p.m.



Mayor Amrich has made a public determination that an in-person meeting of the Village Board and staff will take place. However, due to COVID-19 health restrictions, it is practical and prudent that audio/video Zoom participation by the public also be permitted.

1. **Call to Order** at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Amrich
2. **Roll Call** Present: Trustees Chris Carlsen, Chuck Cermak, Harold England, Dan Powell and Will Ziegler. Absent: Richard Trustee McLaughlin. Also present: Mayor Charles R. Amrich, Clerk Georgine Cooper, Treasurer Ed McGinty, Attorney David McArdle, Technology and Innovation Director George Muligano, Director of Public Works Brian Bartnick, Building Official Russell Kraly (remotely), Chief Dan Palmer; Ken Wick (remotely), and Planning and Zoning Chair Joe Zeinz (remotely)
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Mayor Amrich
4. **Public Comment** none
5. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. **Approval payment of bills totaling \$ 436,507.38**
 - b. **Approval of minutes from the 6/11/2020 Village Board Meeting**
 - c. **Approval of payment to Rooney Consultants, Inc in the amount of \$12,550.00 for 2019 MFT projects**
 - d. **Reappointment of Police Pension Board members Tom Baur and John Nikopoulos**
 - e. **Reappointment of Planning and Zoning members Michele Friedrich and Peggy Raynor**

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as stated by Trustee Ziegler, Second by Trustee Powell
Ayes: Trustees Carlsen, Cermak, England, Powell and Ziegler. Nays: none.
Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

6. **Motion to adopt Resolution # 665-20, A Resolution Adopting a Purchasing Policy**
Discussion: Attorney McArdle: Wrote it with the direction for up to \$2,500 and emergency purchasing provision. Trustee England question: Will get 3 written quotes for between \$2,500 and \$20,000; the department head will run it by Village Board. Above that goes for bid unless the Board waives it.
Response: Correct; no competitive bidding required in that range. Trustee Powell: Wouldn't it be in department head's best interest to get 3 solid quotes bids for other projects over \$2,500;
Is by discretion according to the "where possible" language of Resolution. Attorney McArdle: If you remove "where possible" language, they'll have to come to the board. Treasurer McGinty: If the purchase is a used item, we could lose the possibility for the item; need some discretion for managers.
Trustee Carlsen: Couldn't the Mayor call us if there was a unique opportunity? Attorney McArdle:
Discretion could be recognized with the approval of the Mayor; will rewrite to reflect that.

Motion to adopt Resolution # 665-20, A Resolution Adopting a Purchasing Policy subject to the amendment regarding discretionary purchase by Trustee Carlsen, Second by Trustee Powell
Ayes: Trustees Carlsen, Cermak, England, Powell and Ziegler. Nays: none.
Motion carried.

7. **Motion to adopt Ordinance 1612-20 An Ordinance Amending Title 2, Boards and Commissions, of the Island Lake Village Code establishing an Advisory Parks Committee**

Discussion: Trustee Ziegler: We have gone through it; coordinated with Attorney McArdle; will work with Mayor Amrich and Treasurer McGinty to post it. Attorney McArdle will correct a/b typo. Modeled after Lake Management Committee. Trustee Carlsen: Good idea

Motion to adopt Ordinance 1612-20 An Ordinance Amending Title 2, Boards and Commissions, of the Island Lake Village Code establishing an Advisory Parks Committee by Trustee Powell, Second by

Trustee Ziegler

Ayes: Trustees Carlsen, Cermak, England, Powell and Ziegler. Nays: none.

Motion carried.

8. Discussion and direction to staff to prepare appropriate ordinance on bee keeping in the Village of Island Lake

Discussion/Direction: Mayor Amrich: It was referred to Planning and Zoning; thanked Chair Joe Zeinz for their work on it. Trustee Carlsen: Trustee McLaughlin asked to wait until the next meeting. Will be placed on the 7/23/2020 Agenda. Question from audience about whether a decision was made. Trustee Ziegler clarified that the Board wasn't taking any action and had received a recommendation from Planning and Zoning.

9. Update on non-highway vehicles on roads in the Village of Island Lake

Discussion: Attorney McArdle: Prepared a draft ordinance for Planning and Zoning to review; followed Holiday Hills rather than McHenry Ordinance. Planning and Zoning Chair Zeinz: Put materials together for the 7/16/2020 meeting; will send Clerk Cooper a copy of the deck of materials to disperse.

10. Discussion of and direction to staff to prepare an appropriate ordinance on chickens in residential areas in the Village of Island Lake

Discussion/Direction: Planning and Zoning Chair Zeinz: Planning and Zoning recommended with a vote 4-2 to maintain current ordinance; we have 9 of the top 10 predators for chickens. Currently, we have no farm zoning in the Village, which is the only place it is allowed). Trustee Ziegler: Agree with recommendation; could cause issues on smaller properties; like ordinance as it sits. Board thanked Zeinz for the good work on this.

11. First Midwest Group proposed property donation discussion and direction

Discussion/Direction: Attorney McArdle: The ball is in our court; this is with the restriction for open space and a \$50,000 matching donation. Trustee Carlsen: Accept donation. Trustee Ziegler: Agree; don't have to develop it at this time; it has good potential. Mayor Amrich: Property is presently zoned commercial; last large piece in Village with commercial zoning; we have parks in the Village that need care; would like to see it developed commercially. Trustee England: See both sides; like the idea of accepting property, but not with restrictions for a park; we don't have funds to take care of current parks; would like to have flexibility to make decisions on it; we don't have the ability to sell it; I wouldn't turn it down; it's a good spot for a park. Trustee Carlsen: We have a lake that isn't accessible; this park connects to Veterans; we could use for passive recreation; it is good for the town to have nice parks.

Public Works Director Bartnick: We do get complaints on the condition of the property; we would have to maintain it; we'd have some work to it. Converse Park needs work on equipment. Trustee Cermak: Building Official Kraly should contact property owner; it is supposed to be maintained. Trustee Ziegler: Was part of having a parks committee to have a plan for parks. Trustee Carlsen: Mowing is the biggest maintenance; bigger mowers will help. Trustee Cermak: I look at other parks that are not used; don't think we need another park; would like to see it remain commercial. Trustee Carlsen: Cost? Bartnick: \$20,000 to clear it and more money to get it in shape; storm water detention is there. Attorney McArdle: Storm water should be managed on site; that will require engineering and surveying. Trustee Powell: More investigation and assessment has to be done; it may be that it can only be used with a trail and be in a prairie state. Attorney McArdle: Is it donor's intention to have us maintain the storm water detention/retention; if Village doesn't make an immediate commitment, for how long is the donation secure? Attorney McArdle will contact donor about detention/retention, duration of commitment for \$50,000 and whether Village facilities could be built there. Mayor Amrich: We would have to maintain road behind Walgreens but not frontage road off Burnett Rd. Trustee England: Would like to have

options for future development of public building/facilities. Trustee Cermak: Have the developer mow the property so we can get a good look at it.

NEW BUSINESS

12. Motion to adopt Ordinance #1613-20, 2020-2021 Appropriation Ordinance

Discussion: Treasurer McGinty: State of Illinois requires this to be passed and sent to the counties; we normally add a percentage to cover expenses. If you don't appropriate, you can't spend. The numbers are based on current year budget [that was informed by last year's expenditures]. July will be telling factor about revenues.

Motion to adopt Ordinance #1613-20, 2020-2021 Appropriation Ordinance by Trustee England,

Second by Trustee Powell

Ayes: Trustees Carlsen, Cermak, England, Powell and Ziegler. Nays: none.

Motion carried.

13. Discussion and direction to staff to prepare appropriate ordinance regulating food trucks

Discussion/Direction: Trustee Carlsen: Like the idea in the proper place—at events; against them competing with brick and mortar business. Trustee Powell: Reached out to municipalities; some don't allow; some have fees; Highland Park, for example doesn't allow them except on a case by case basis; Wadsworth doesn't license or register but has them get solicitor permit; doesn't think open season is fair to our businesses; would like to see in special cases; doesn't want to see them setting up shop on a regular basis. What if other mobile businesses came in to compete? Trustee England: Doesn't want to "open the floodgates" and compete with our business. Trustee Ziegler: Typically food trucks participated with events; was supposed to have one at Oktoberfest. Trustee Cermak: Agree with special events use. Consensus: For appropriate events. Trustee Ziegler praised Jamie for trying to do something nice for the Village.

14. Mayor Comments included: Need to discuss when/if to open Village Hall to the public. Would like to see it stay closed; it appears we are having a relapse; want to keep everyone safe here; would have to disinfect; it seems to be working well the way it is; haven't had to use cleaning service; would wait until August to make a decision. Treasurer McGinty: If you open, you have to steam clean every night and sanitize after each visitor. Trustee England: Agree with Mayor; can we provide all our services?

Response: Yes. Trustee Carlsen: Agree to keep office closed but open parks. Mayor Amrich: Do we want to open beaches? Trustee Carlsen: Businesses are having success with fake/oscillating Labradors to manage problem with geese. Trustee Cermak: Acres does park safety assessments; they are certified by the state. Bartnick will look into it tomorrow. Trustee Carlsen: Wauconda Park District has opened parks. Received from a resident a letter of praise for mosquito spraying.

Prairieland will make a presentation and a quote at the 7/23/2020; one with the Village continuing to bill and one where they would bill. Fireworks next weekend. Need to advertise that we are streaming the fireworks on the website and social media. George Muligano needs to be in the best location streaming.

Trustee and Staff Comments included: Trustee Carlsen: Want to reiterate consideration about park donation. Trustee Cermak: Spoke about getting business names on marquee; think the potential donation area should still be commercial. Trustee Ziegler: Fireworks reminder; be safe and enjoy.

Attorney McArdle: Distributed paperwork on the status of Circle K.

Public Works Director Bartnick: Used Vactor to clean up duckweed in Rolling Oaks; residents have complimented the condition of our lake. What roads will be closed for fireworks? Eastway will be closed. Nunda Township Supervisor Lee Jennings passed away. Trustee Cermak: Can you use the Vactor for Circle Lagoon?

Building Official Russell Kraly (remotely): Things going smoothly with issuing permits and inspections; building department business is going well. Planning and Zoning Chair Joe Zeinz: 7/16/2020 is next

Planning and Zoning Meeting. IT and Innovation Director George Muligano: When you speak and turn to face someone and away from your microphone, we can't hear you; chat comments are coming in; how should they be handled? Mayor can announce that messages sent on Zoom will be addressed in public comments section.

15. Public Comment: none

16. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Cermak, Second by Trustee England

All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Submitted by Georgine Cooper