

Village Board Meeting Minutes
VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE
3720 Greenleaf Avenue, Island Lake, IL 60042
February 22, 2024, 7:00 p.m.
***Audio/Video Zoom Meeting**



1. **Call to Order** at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor McLaughlin
2. **Roll Call** present: Trustees Brittany Alers, Chuck Cermak, Thadd Lewis, Stacey Pyne and Will Ziegler. Absent: none. Also present: Mayor Richard McLaughlin, Clerk Georgine Cooper, Attorney David McArdle, Treasurer Dennis Murray, Public Works Director Chris Carlsen, Police Chief Jennifer Paulus, Engineer Steve Zehner, Fire Chief Patrick Kane
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Dan Powell
4. **Public Comment** included: Trevor Mock of Island Lake Lions and Parks and Lake Commission presented the concept for Veterans Park kayak launch; can't afford ADA at this point but could be added in the future; worked with EZ Dock. Lions Club initially budgeted \$3,000 and raised \$5,000. Original plan was for the Village to build pier; not necessary with this plan. Current proposal costs \$7,000; can the Village contribute \$2,000? Mayor McLaughlin: Village cost for the pier was \$3,000. Trustee Cermak asked about placement. Response: On right side of beach with rip-wrap and rock; people will be able to walk on pier to get to water. Team Reil Inc. proposal: \$6,989.60. Treasurer will check the budget for availability of funds. Director Carlsen: This type of launch could be added at Eastway. Trustee Pyne: Shoreline needs to be stabilized before installation; should have engineer assess it.

Action Items

5. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. **Approve payment of bills in the amount of \$ 248,184.04**
 - b. **Approve minutes of the 1/25/2024 meeting**
 - c. **Authorize Mayor to sign the Robinson Engineering Services Proposal for a Five-year Project Plan designed to reduce water loss for the Village of Island Lake in the lump sum amount of \$27,000, billed on a percentage complete basis**
 - d. **Adopt 691-24 A Resolution Regarding CMAP's Report Entitled PLAN OF ACTION FOR REGIONAL TRANSIT (PART)**
 - e. **Approve Lioness-Lions 2024 request for use of facilities**
 - f. **Approve donation to Island Lake Lioness-Lions in the amount of \$300 for the annual Easter Egg Hunt**

Discussion:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda a - f as read by Trustee Ziegler Second by Trustee Alers
Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Lewis, Pyne and Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

6. **Waive the competitive bid process and accept the Playground Boss proposal for purchase, shipping and installation of replacement playground equipment for Converse Park: Playtime not to exceed \$197,718 or Castle Dreams not to exceed \$222,906**

Discussion: Mayor McLaughlin: Do we have enough from the grant to pay for this? Trustee Pyne: Said that up front that we are about \$6,000 short. Engineer Zehner explained bid process; will have to open up to bid process for the grant. Engineer Zehner: Grant obligations are not clear at this time; has asked if we need to go out for bid; lead time for the one part was 16 weeks; it is a line item grant. Mayor McLaughlin: 4-week lead time for in stock Playground Boss. Attorney McArdle: If it is a State grant, will have to go out for bid. Trustee Pyne: Another company can have a lower bid for the same product. Mayor McLaughlin: Do we want to modularize over years? Response: Yes, we'd like to get something up. To replace the former park, it was over half a million; we need people involved in a community project; some toddler parts were salvageable. It was taken down because it became

unsafe; wants public to understand that to replace it takes time and money. Mayor McLaughlin: Maple Ridge Park playground is installed and in use. Preparation of the grounds for Converse is not complete yet. Engineer Zehner: If grant says we have to go out for bid, we can't move on it.

No action was take on this item.

7. Authorize Mayor to sign ILM Lake Treatment Proposal #P8465 for early spring herbicide treatment and algae control in the amount of \$48,157

Discussion: Mayor McLaughlin: Is that the full price of treatment. Trustee Pyne: Last year's treatment fell short. June – August would be a biweekly process; will be selective treatment; have asked ILM to do the monitoring; \$50,000 was budgeted. Mayor McLaughlin: We expect lake property owners to take care of their property to help in the effort. Trustee Pyne: Shore up seawall, keep logs from falling in the lake, rake the algae. Attorney McArdle: Is it a lump sum, not to exceed? Director Carlsen: Yes. We will have to pay for anything extra.

Trustee Pyne: Channel Project is progressing; praised Public Works for their work on Channel and Converse Park; looking at installing native buffer in the fall; shoreline stabilization further up Channel; grading needs to be done; work on the native buffer will be in the fall; need costs and permits. Eagle Scouts want to build benches; it's a good location. Director Carlsen: We are removing debris; we want to save three large trees.

Motion to waive the competitive bid process and authorize Mayor to sign ILM Lake Treatment Proposal #P8465 for early spring herbicide treatment and algae control in the amount of \$48,157 by Trustee Lewis, Second by Trustee Ziegler

Question: Trustee Cermak: Are other ponds going to be treated? Response: Yes but not but on this contract.

Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Lewis, Pyne and Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Discussion Items: none

8. Mayor Comments included: Representative Jan Shakowsky visited the Village with Lake County Treasurer Holly Kim to discuss various needs of the Village. Rep. Shakowsky offered other services to help residents; will be going to Lobby Day to meet with Governor Pritzker. Disc Golf work will start in March; volunteers needed; will have a walking path. Closing on former Save More will be tomorrow; building will be torn down and tanks removed. Contacted Tribune about Game of Engines not being in Island Lake; they will retract that part of story. Getting set up for Lake Fest, lining up bands. Praised Public Works team. Many don't know that we are not selling vehicle stickers. We are looking at possible annexations. Met with Phenom and LYAA about use of fields; both will use it and will both use it.

9. Trustee and Staff Comments included:

Trustee Cermak: Glad about positive vibe and work. Trustee Lewis: Happy birthday to Trustees Ziegler and Alers. Thanked Parks and Lake Commission about behind the scenes work. Trustee Pyne: Earth Day Expo on April 20; others are doing Earth Day events on same day; are working to get activities and speakers; have a food truck; would like to have expert at April 1 Parks and Lake Commission; Lisa will do a ½ hour presentation/question and answer all about the lake and algal blooms. Jim Bland is willing to do a Citizen Science training for algal testing. Channel Project is progressing; praised Public Works for their work on Channel and Converse Park; looking at installing native buffer in the fall; shoreline stabilization further up Channel; grading needs to be done; work on the native buffer will be in the fall; need costs and permits. Eagle Scouts want to build benches; it's a good location. Trustee Ziegler: A lot of good things going on; we should be proud of it. Trustee Alers: Ditto on Trustee Ziegler's comment; disappointed about hiccups with Converse and hope to have something in place this summer.

Director Carlsen: We are removing debris for the Channel Project; we want to save three large trees. Director Carlsen, Trevor Mock and Trustee Pyne are going to the State Conference; we may be able to become a State test site. Addison Morgan is going to do a pollinator garden at Converse Park in the garden box around the sign. People have asked about Rolling Oaks by the Smith property. May be

doing some surveying. Going through an aggressive water meter change out; will eventually change 3,000 meters; met with Mayor McLaughlin and potential Port Barrington water customers. Clerk Cooper: Possible next agenda items; Field Use Agreement with Phenom Illinois; revisions of Title 5, Chapter 2, Garbage and Refuse; Fee Ordinance updates if any; reminder that it is approximately \$1,000 each time the Village Board meets, so planning ahead saves money; Chief Paulus: Attended teen court for one of the juveniles who damaged to park equipment; one got 8 hours of community service; special meeting of Fire and Police Commission about their rules; hoping to get a salary structure that attracts new officers. Treasurer Murray: Draft budgets went out to department heads for first round of work; is available to help anyone; provided trustees with sales tax analysis; State does not allow municipalities to see individual sales tax contribution, but aggregates them in categories; #1 source is automotive and filling stations; biggest on Lake County; #2 is drugs, etc. (liquor), #3 is dining. Will be able to intuit impact of dispensary. Attorney McArdle: Short discussion for Closed Session.

Motion by Trustee Cermak to enter Closed to discuss potential litigation and to adjourn the meeting immediately after with no action taken, by Trustee Cermak, Second by Trustee Lewis
Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Lewis, Pyne and Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:40: p.m.

Submitted by Georgine Cooper