

**VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
FEBRUARY 19, 2013**

Call to Order

President Pro-Tem Elster called the Committee of the Whole meeting of the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees to order at 6:31 P.M., Tuesday, February 19, 2013 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex, 6900 North Lincoln Avenue, Village of Lincolnwood, County of Cook and State of Illinois.

Roll Call

On roll call by Deputy Village Clerk Douglas Petroschius the following were:

PRESENT: President Turry (by way of video conference), President Pro Tem Elster, Trustees Patel, Heidtke, Leftakes, Sprogis-Marohn

ABSENT: Swanson

A quorum was present. Also present: Timothy Wiberg, Village Manager; Douglas Petroschius, Assistant Village Manager; Charles Meyer, Assistant to the Village Manager; Timothy Clarke, Director of Community Development; Aaron Cook, Development Manager; Robert Merkel, Finance Director; Manuel Castaneda, Public Works Director; Melissa Steirer, Management Analyst; Ashley Engelmann, Assistant to the Public Works Director; Robert Merkel, Finance Director; Reese Gratch, Parks and Recreation Board Chair; Georgia Talaganis, Board of Fire and Police Commissioner; Paul Eisterhold, Plan Commission Chair.

Approval of Minutes

1. The minutes of the February 5, 2013 Committee of the Whole meeting were distributed in advance of the meeting and were examined. Trustee Heidtke moved to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Leftakes seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote, 4-0. The minutes were approved.

2. The minutes of the February 13, 2013 Budget Workshop Committee of the Whole meeting were distributed in advance of the meeting and were examined. Trustee Leftakes moved to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Patel seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote, 4-0. The minutes were approved.

Regular Business

1. Discussion Concerning the Committee of the Whole Meetings

This item was presented by Mr. Wiberg. Mr. Wiberg provided an overview of Committee of the Whole (CotW) meetings which were created in 2003 and provide an informal environment for discussion of matters by the Village Board. The Village Board is not authorized to take official action at CotW meetings. In the past CotW meetings have not been televised and generally take place prior to a Regular Meeting of the Village Board. Recently a member of the Village Board suggested televising CotW meetings. Two options for televising CotW meetings were considered which included sitting in the typical format at tables in the Council Chambers or at the dais in the Council Chambers. If CotW was televised while the Village Board sat at the dais, nominal additional costs would be involved. If the CotW meeting was televised while sitting at tables it would cost up to \$23,895 to install wireless microphones and replace the audio system. Discussion ensued. The Village Board directed staff to maintain the current practice of not televising CotW and begin a new practice of having the Village Manager provide a status report of the topics that were discussed at the CotW during the Regular Meeting that follows each CotW. The Village Board directed staff to add this topic to a future CotW agenda sometime after the upcoming April election.

2. Discussion Concerning the Redesign of the Village's Web Site

This item was presented by Ms. Steirer with use of a PowerPoint presentation. The last website redesign was in August of 2006 and staff has received complaints from residents regarding the design of the website. Therefore, \$10,000 was budgeted in the current 2012-13 fiscal year budget to redesign the Village's website. Staff recommended American Eagle who designed many different websites for municipalities in the area. The cost of this service is \$10,000. Designs utilized by American Eagle clients were presented and feedback from the Village Board was sought by staff. Discussion ensued. The Village Board directed staff to proceed with American Eagle.

Adjournment

At 7:15 P.M. Trustee Sprogis-Marohn moved to adjourn Committee of the Whole. Trustee Heidtke seconded the motion. The motion was approved by voice vote, 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Douglas Petroschius
Deputy Village Clerk