

3. Presentation of Current and Upcoming Development-Related Projects

This item was presented by Mr. McNellis using PowerPoint.

- Village-Funded Projects / Initiatives

- Business improvement grants
- North gateway sub-area plan
- Code enforcement
- TIF Redesignation

- Village-Funded Business Improvement Grants

- Airoom

PEP Grant awarded for improvements to remove un-safe direct access from Lincoln Avenue to Airoom parking spaces

Village sold Keystone right-of-way to Airoom for parking to replace spaces lost when angled parking and on-site drive aisle added along Lincoln

Substantial improvement in safety on and off-site

- Econocare Façade Improvement

PEP Grant awarded for façade and landscaping improvements

GIFT Grant awarded for energy improvements for doors and windows

Building improvements updated the building consistent with newer construction, improving aesthetics of older building in Village's light industrial park

- Code Enforcement

- History of Code Enforcement Personnel:

Prior to 2009, in-house Building Inspectors performed Code Enforcement, as a secondary duty

Between 2009 and 2012 Community Service Officers in the Police Department handled complaints, as a secondary duty

Village has had a part-time Code Enforcement Officer (CEO), since 2012

Village Board authorized a full-time CEO for 2018-19 Budget. Position filled at beginning of August

Per Village Board direction, ensure fair & equitable enforcement, pro-active enforcement, public outreach about code enforcement

- TIF Redesignation

- Original Lincoln-Touhy TIF approved in 2011

- With property tax assessments almost \$4 Million below Base EAV and six years passed, VB authorized steps to Redesignate TIF in 2017. Placed on hold until foreclosure completed and developer identified

- Draft TIF Plan & Eligibility Study for new North Lincoln TIF authorized by VB in June, 2018. Completed report confirms TIF meets eligibility requirements to be Redesignated

- TIF Ordinance on tonight's agenda sets date of the Public Hearing for November 20th, with Joint Review Board to be held in October

- Private Projects: In/Beginning the Planning Process

- District 1860 (Tucker Development Project)

- Initial Concept Plan Discussion at Village Board and Plan Commission
 - Preliminary PUD Public Hearing to be held tomorrow night by the Plan Commission
 - Mixed-Use plan with ground floor commercial (including restaurants), possible hotel and luxury apartments
 - Village amenities include: Village Green, pocket park connection to Touhy Avenue pedestrian bridge, bike amenities and streetscaping

- Former Dominick's

- Dominick's closed all stores in 2013
 - County Class 7B tax abatement approved for property in 2015. Requirement of Village's approval - remaining vacant space must be sales-tax producing
 - Planet fitness filled northern 1/3 of building in 2016
 - Wal-Mart has filed an application to amend PUD to fill remaining 2/3 of space with an internet grocery pick-up location
 - Prototype will be first of its kind store from Wal-Mart
 - Public Hearing at September 12th Plan Commission meeting
 - Benefits: Sales-tax producing, minimal change to site, traffic anticipated to be less than former Dominick's

- Onsite Home Healthcare

- Proposed redevelopment of one-story former WaWa Industries building into a two-story medical office facility
 - Zoning relief required for various parking and building setbacks
 - Significant neighborhood and Plan Commission concern at July meeting
 - Returning to September 12th Plan Commission meeting with revisions

- Private Projects: In Building Permitting / Construction

- Walder Education Center / Hatzalah

- Zoning Approved in January, 2018
 - Long Vacant property (former car dealer and newspaper distribution).
 - Building Permit issued in late August

- Multi-Tenant Plaza at 4320 W Touhy

- Planning Approvals in January, 2017. Demolition completed
 - Delays in outside agencies (MWRD & IDOT) review. Building Permit issued in late August. Early 2019 completion anticipated

- Stefani's Prime

- Outdoor Seating Area approved in June, 2018
 - Permit issued in July. Construction complete and approved
 - Opening imminent

- Food for Thought
 - Planning Approvals & PEP/GIFT Approvals in May/June
 - Interior work underway. Exterior work to begin in Fall
- Sacred Learning Center
 - Original building approved in 2015 & permits issued in 2016
 - Construction issues led to a delay
 - In interim, acquired former Danziger catering building next door for parking lot
- The Carrington
 - Building Permit issued in October, 2017
 - Completion of 85% of the building as of August
 - Final site work and final phase of building ready to open in September
- Potential Redevelopment Projects
 - Mixed-use property (6733-35 Lincoln)
 - Zeigler Auto Group
 - Bucky's Mobil (6401 Cicero)
 - Bria Health Care (6969 Lincoln)
 - Auto Canada Car Storage
 - Town Center Mall

Following Mr. McNellis's presentation, the Mayor announced that The Room Place furniture store has signed a lease for the top floor of the former Carson's store in the Lincolnwood Town Center. It was stated that the construction for the site will begin this fall and that Washington Prime is in negotiations with several tenants to fill the bottom floor of the former Carson's store.

4. Resolution Regarding contract for Interim Village Manager

The item was introduced by Attorney Steve Elrod.

Trustee Sugarman moved to approve the appointment, seconded by Trustee Hlepas Nickell.

Trustee Ikezoe-Halevi read the following statement into the record: At our last Board Meeting, on Tuesday August 21 I voted in favor of the appointment of Robert Merkel as the Interim Village Manager. I changed my vote after Attorney Steve Elrod said that the action required a super majority vote from the Trustees. Following the vote, there was some confusion from the residents in terms of my vote. I should have clarified my decision. My decision was based on the need to have a Village Manager in place on September 1, 2018. I didn't want to leave the meeting without having an Interim Village Manager. If we were not able to schedule a special board meeting or come to a consensus, we would have been without a Village Manager when Tim Wiberg left on August 31. What if the Mayor had become incapacitated or some natural disaster befell us. I thought about this last Friday by candlelight when there was a blackout that lasted several hours. Fortunately this was minor, but it could have been worse. For those of you who were upset or confused by my decision, I want to make a public apology to you. That was never my intention. I made the best plan and the best decision that I could base on our Mayor saying that he had a plan. Because of this I would like to have a more detailed discussion before we vote on the Robert Merkel's contract. I understand what is in the contract, but I think at this point Mayor Bass you could probably tell us more.

Mayor Bass stated that he would like to read an email that he sent out regarding the next steps in this process and the Board of Trustees role in the process. Mayor Bass read an email that was previously shared with the Village Board:

I have been very clear since July, before the board and all confirmed in meetings minutes. I have also engaged you and other board members with telephonic and face to face meetings. I am responding with a copy to Steve Elrod as well. I am mobile at moment and typing quickly to respond. Again, in review, an interim would be appointed, followed by an informal search based on Village Managers that may be available in surrounding communities. If a qualified village manager is not found, we will engage the services of a third party that specializes in government personnel searches. We reviewed a proposal I brought at a closed session presentation in July.

In all circumstances a third party professional company will vet any prospect with background and media checks. Time frame from 3-6 months based on circumstances that could occur.

I have also discussed everything in depth with Bob Merkel 15 year veteran of the village and current Finance Director, along with Charles Meyer new interim assistant to Interim Village Manager, and Steve Elrod corporate counsel. The transition has been pretty much complete.

You can speak on the phone as we have done before to review the carefulness demonstrated in whatever I am involved with, for example Chief Parrott.

Roll call

AYES: Trustees Patel, Ikezoe-Halevi, Cope, Hlepas Nickell, Spino, Sugarman

NAYS: None

The motion passed

5. Touhy Avenue Bridge Update

The bridge structure is scheduled to be delivered next week and will be installed shortly thereafter. Once the structure is installed, the contractor has about two weeks of work until the project is complete. I hope everyone will join us for a ribbon cutting ceremony, which will be held on the north side of Touhy Avenue at 5:30 p.m. on October 11th.

6. September 11 Ceremony

The Village will be holding its annual memorial for the September 11th attacks next Tuesday. The solemn event will start at 8:30 am in the Village's Promenade. The Police and Fire Departments along with the village's honor guard and school district 74 will be present for the event. I encourage any interested resident to stop by for this event.

7. Blood Drive

The quarterly Blood Drive thru Life Source will be taking place, Thursday, Sept. 20 in the Police Fire Training Room beginning at 1 P.M. Place a reminder on your calendar to stop by and give blood to save a life.

8. Police Department Updates

The Police Dept. is pleased to announce that on September 6th, three new police officers will be sworn in to work for the Village; David Sparks, Scott Hill and Alberto Ortega. Mr. Sparks and Mr. Ortega already have completed police academy training from previous employment and will begin field training shortly after hire. Mr. Hill will start the Chicago police Department's Metro Academy Class on September 10th.

If you have the opportunity please take a moment to view the Police Department's lip sync challenge video. The video can be viewed on the Village's YouTube channel or on the Police Department's Twitter account.

9. Touch-a-Truck

Join the Parks and Recreation Department for the annual Touch-a-Truck event this Saturday, September 8 from 10am-12pm in the Village Hall parking lot. From honking horns to flashing lights, the Touch-a-Truck event is always a great family activity. Children and adults alike will be able to touch and even climb aboard many super-sized vehicles in a safe environment. After visiting the trucks, children are invited to ride the trackless train. This FREE event is sponsored by NorthShore

University HealthSystem and supported by the Village of Lincolnwood Police, Fire and Public Works Department.

10. Family Fun Fest

The following weekend, families are invited to join the Parks and Recreation Department on Sunday, September 16 at Centennial Park from 1-3pm for the annual Family Fun Fest. This event features crafts, a bounce house, outdoor door games, kayaking and more. Free and fun for the entire family! Dogs on a leash are welcome as well.

11. Madeleine Grant Volunteer of the Year Arthur Lovering

President Bass asked Madeleine Grant's daughters, Beth Keno and Maura Neuendank to come up to the podium. President Bass stated their father, Paul Grant, is unable to attend the meeting this evening but noted being thankful that his daughters were able to attend. President Bass also ask that last year's recipient, Barb Pabst, join him at the podium. He then asked this year's recipient of the Madeleine Grant Recognition Award, Art Lovering, to come forward. Art was nominated for the recognition by Elizabeth and Richard Ruderman and Reese Gratch. President Bass shared what makes Art the perfect candidate for the recognition. Art currently volunteers his time to the Village being on the Park and Recreation Board and serving as that Board's chairperson. Recently Art formed a group to adopt one of the stretches of the bike path. On any given day walking the path you will see Art out there along with fellow members of his group maintaining their section of the bike path. Art is also known as the Lincolnwood Historian. His memory and knowledge of Lincolnwood dates back to his childhood. Art attended the Village schools and has raised his children here in the Village. He is on the board of Youth Baseball, and he hosts the very popular "Beer Club". Beer Club meets on Thursday nights throughout the summer and it is a "bringing together" of the community. President Bass stated that on behalf of the Village Board, Beth, Maura, and Barb, a presentation was made to Art Lovering of a crystal bowl for all he does for the community.

Trustee Hlepas Nickell spoke about Art Lovering as having demonstrated the importance of being a volunteer and contributing to the community. Trustee Hlepas Nickell spoke about how Art has been a lifelong resident of Lincolnwood. She spoke about how Art became an educator with the desire to install a desire to learn to his students and was always a neighbor who would help others. Trustee Hlepas Nickell stated how Art has served on many Boards and Commissions and brought his opinion on matters. Art has typically served under the radar with the exception of the Lincolnwood Beer Club where Art opens his home to the community. During his retirement Art still rounds up the Lincolnwood Beer Club to clean up a portion of the Lincolnwood trail.

Art Lovering spoke upon receiving the award. Mr. Lovering stated that he was a lifelong Lincolnwood resident and that he has spent his entire adult life in Lincolnwood. He stated that living in Lincolnwood gives you the best of both worlds with the small town feel while being near the City of

Chicago. Mr. Lovering said that he wanted to share this award with his family members who also volunteered in the community. Mr. Lovering stated that his mother volunteered for the Todd Hall PTA, which then turned into the Lincolnwood PTA and then served on the School Board for many years and serving on the Church Council. She also served as an election judge for many years. Mr. Lovering stated that his father enlisted in the United States Navy and served in the South Pacific and then in the Naval Reserve for 30 years. Mr. Lovering stated that it was natural for his family to volunteer and serve and that he inherited it from them. He spoke to the fact that his sister has been a teacher for special needs for a number of years and his brother served in the Navy followed by a career in the Department of Defense.

A short break was taken for a reception for Mr. Lovering began at 8:34. The meeting resumed at 8:51 pm.

Consent Agenda

1. **Approval of a Recommendation by the Plan Commission to Adopt an Ordinance Approving a Variation Related to the Setback of an Accessory Structure at 6522 North Spaulding Avenue**
2. **Approval of an Ordinance Pertaining to the Following: A) Authorizing the Purchase of a New Holland U80C Tractor Loader through the Sourcewell Joint Purchasing Contract #032515 from Martin Implement of Wauconda, Illinois in the Amount of \$96,542.35; and B) Declaring Tractor 3 Surplus and Authorizing its Sale or Disposal upon Receipt of the New Tractor**
3. **Approval of a Resolution to Purchase Two 2019 Ford F-250 XL Pick-Up Trucks through the Northwest Municipal Conference Suburban Purchasing Cooperative Program, Contract #178, from Currie Motors of Frankfort, Illinois in the Amount of \$72,602**
4. **Approval of a Resolution Approving a Transferee Assumption Agreement**

Trustee Spino moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sugarman.

Upon Roll Call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Ikezoe-Halevi, Cope, Hlepas Nickell, Spino, Sugarman

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

Regular Business

5. **Consideration of an Ordinance Setting the Time and Place for a Public Hearing on the Establishment of the North Lincoln Redevelopment Project Area and Tax Increment Redevelopment Plan and Project**

This item was presented by Steve McNellis, Community Director, who stated that the Ordinance before the Board was a statutory requirement for the redesignation of the TIF District and establishment of a time and place for a Public Hearing.

Trustee Cope moved to approve the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Trustee Spino.

Upon Roll Call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Ikezoe-Halevi, Cope, Hlepas Nickell, Spino, Sugarman

NAYS: None

The motion passed

6. Consideration of a Resolution to Approve a Final Plat of Subdivision for 6636 North Leroy Avenue

This item was presented by Doug Hammel, Development Manager, who provided an overview of the Resolution to subdivide the property at 6636 North Leroy as a continuation of the previous meeting.

Trustee Patel moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Trustee Spino

Upon Roll Call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Ikezoe-Halevi, Cope, Spino, Sugarman

Nays: Hlepas Nickell

The motion passed

Manager's Report

Interim Manager Merkel read the Freedom of Information Act requests from the past month. It was discussed that the Freedom of Information Act requests would be included in the packet going forward as something for the Village Board to review but not necessarily something that needs to be said during the meeting.

Board and Commissions Report

None

Village Clerk's Report

None

Trustees Reports

None

Public Forum

Charles Halevi, Lincolnwood Resident, spoke regarding his desire to have public Wi-Fi be made available to the community as other municipalities have done.

Adjournment

At 9:02 PM Trustee Patel moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting, seconded by Trustee Spino. The motion passed with a Voice Vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



Charles Meyer

Deputy Village Clerk