## VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS OCTOBER 16, 2018

#### Call to Order

President Bass called the regular meeting of the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 PM Tuesday, October 16, 2018, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex at 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue, Village of Lincolnwood, County of Cook, and State of Illinois.

#### Pledge to the Flag

The Corporate Authorities and all persons in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Roll Call**

On roll call by Deputy Village Clerk Charles Meyer the following were:

PRESENT: President Bass, Trustees Hlepas Nickell, Ikezoe-Halevi, Patel, Spino, and Sugarman.

ABSENT: Trustee Cope

A quorum was present.

Also present: Village Clerk, Beryl Herman; Interim Village Manager, Robert Merkel; Acting Assistant Village Manager, Charles Meyer; Public Works Director, Andrew Letson; Community Development Director, Steve McNellis; Development Manager, Doug Hammel; Assistant to the Public Works Director, Nadim Badran; Accountant, Ben Harris; Management Analyst, Heather McFarland; and Village Attorney, Hart Passman.

## **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the October 3, 2018 Village Board meeting was presented to the Village Board. Trustee Sugarman made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Hlepas Nickell.

The minutes were approved by a voice vote.

# Warrant Approval

President Bass presented the warrants for approval in the amount of \$718,557.00. Motion to approve the warrants made by Trustee Sugarman, seconded by Trustee Ikezoe-Halevi.

Upon roll call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Sugarman, Spino, Hlepas Nickell, Ikezoe-Halevi, and Patel. NAYS: None

The motion passed.

# Village President's Report

# 1. Touhy Ave. Overpass Bridge

President Bass informed the public that the Touhy Avenue Overpass is officially open. He thanked

everyone who joined us in commemorating this beautiful gateway to the community at the ribbon cutting ceremony this past Thursday, October 11.

#### 2. Pumpkins in Proesel Park

President Bass announced the Pumpkins in Proesel Park event this Saturday, October 20 at the Proesel Park Shelter from 1-3 p.m. for witch hat ring toss, inflatables, face painting, carnival games and a popcorn station.

#### 3. Trunk or Treat

President Bass invited the public to join us on Halloween, Wednesday, October 31 for the inaugural Trunk or Treat event taking place from 5-7 p.m. in the parking lot for the Proesel Park Family Aquatic Center.

## 4. Proesel Park Playground Design Process

President Bass announced that all community members are invited to provide input on Proesel Park's next playground.

Proesel Park features the Village's largest playground, which was installed in 1999 and has been enjoyed by many children for nearly twenty years. As part of the Village's playground replacement program, the existing equipment is scheduled for replacement in April 2019.

Anyone who is interested in participating in the playground design process is encouraged to attend a community brainstorm session at the Lincolnwood Community Center on Thursday, October 25 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. The Village understands that most people don't use the playground alone, so please feel free to bring your entire family to this open-house style meeting.

This meeting is the first step in the playground design process and provides community members an opportunity to share thoughts and ideas about the playground before concept designs are developed. At this meeting, we will review the current playground conditions and equipment, and gather input via comment cards, surveys, and an interactive exercise. The feedback received during this meeting will guide the development of three playground concept plans, which will be debuted during a second meeting during the last week of November.

# 5. The Carrington Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

President Bass announced that a ribbon cutting for the Carrington took place earlier in the evening. The new facility is beautiful and is a new generation in senior living. The Carrington is now about a quarter full and is a great addition to the Village of Lincolnwood. Many dignitaries and residents came out to the ribbon cutting event. He encouraged the public to call and schedule a tour.

#### Consent Agenda

- 1. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Renewal of a One Year Agreement for Local and Long Distance Telephone Services with Call One Through the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative
- 2. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of 24 Portable STARCOM Radios and Accessories Through the State of Illinois Central Management Services Contract with Motorola Solutions, of Chicago, Illinois in the Amount of \$171,188.50

Trustee Sugarman moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Trustee Hlepas Nickell.

President Bass stated this expenditure approved tonight by the Village Board for the STARCOM radios was a result of a successful Fire Department AFG grant from FEMA. This joint grant provides a system for better fire ground accountability in order to keep our firefighters safe. Lincolnwood's portion of the grant funding is 10% of the total cost of the grant with FEMA paying the other 90%.

Trustee Sugarman inquired about the amount of the grant for the radios. Mr. Meyer indicated that the grant currently funds \$60,000; however, it is being negotiated to increase the grant amount.

Upon Roll Call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Sugarman, Spino, Hlepas Nickell, Ikezoe-Halevi, and Patel. NAYS: None

The motion passed.

#### Regular Business

3. Consideration of a Resolution to Accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended April 30, 2018

This item was presented by Mr. Ron Amen of Lauderbach and Amen, the Village's auditing firm.

Mr. Amen reported that the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) received an award for excellence from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). He also reported that the audit determined that the Village's financial reports are complete and correct. Mr. Amen discussed various specifics values identified in the audit.

Trustee Hlepas Nickell inquired about previous management letters. Mr. Merkel stated that the only item of note in the current management letter relates to the Lincoln Avenue Medians project which came in over budget and which the Village Board had been previously notified. Previous management letters have generally included minor items for staff's consideration.

Trustee Hlepas Nickell asked if there is an assessment of the Village's internal controls and whether a report is issued. Mr. Amen noted that internal controls are reviewed and while a report is not generated, if anything is identified it would be included in the management letter. No specific deficiencies were noted.

Motion to move to approve the Resolution was made by Trustee Hlepas Nickell, seconded by Trustee Spino.

Upon Roll Call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Sugarman, Spino, Hlepas Nickell, Ikezoe-Halevi, and Patel. NAYS: None

The motion passed

4. Consideration of an Ordinance Approving: 1) a Special Use for Extended Hours of Operation; 2) a Modification to the Zoning Ordinance to Allow Accessory Structures in the Front Yard; 3) Modifications to the Zoning Ordinance to Allow the Requested Amount an Sizes of Certain Wall Signs; and 4) a Series of Amendments to Ordinances Adopted Between

# 1999 and 2015 and Related to a Planned Unit Development that Would Allow the Operation of a New Grocer Store Use at 6850 North McCormick Boulevard

Mr. Passman noted that Mr. Hammel distributed a memo to the Village Board with minor changes to the Ordinance from what was included in the packet. Language was amended in the sections pertaining to signage and vehicular circulation and parking areas.

Motion to move to approve the Ordinance with the proposed amendments was made by Trustee Hlepas Nickell the, seconded by Trustee Spino.

Upon Roll Call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Sugarman, Spino, Hlepas Nickell, Ikezoe-Halevi, and Patel. NAYS: None

The motion passed

President Bass thanked the representatives from Wal-Mart and stated that the Village looks forward to working with them going forward.

5. Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Economic Incentive Agreement by an Between the Village and AJZ-Lincolnwood LLC (Ziegler Auto Group), for the Property at 6900 North McCormick Boulevard and 7373 North Cicero Avenue

This item was presented by Mr. McNellis via PowerPoint.

Mr. McNellis provided background on the locations of the proposed dealerships. He stated that while the Village Attorney was drafting the agreement, Ziegler requested some changes from what had been discussed at the previous meeting. First, that the target amount of \$420,000 be reverted to the Economic Development Commission recommendation that it apply only to the Buick/GMC dealership. Staff is supportive of this amendment since the Village will continue to be guaranteed the same amount of revenue.

Second, Ziegler requested that the prohibition on the property owner's ability to protest their property taxes for the life of the 7C abatement be removed. Staff is supportive of this amendment since the property taxes are likely to go up because the building is currently vacant.

Finally, Ziegler requested that the agreement be able to apply to either property if the other went out of business. Staff is supportive of this amendment due to the fact that the agreement includes a claw back provision that allows the Village to recoup a portion of the sales tax provided to Ziegler if they happened to close during the life of the agreement.

Mr. McNellis stated that staff recommends approval of the agreement with the proposed changes.

Motion to move to approve the Resolution was made by Trustee Patel, seconded by Trustee Spino.

Trustee Hlepas Nickell asked if it could be incorporated into the motion that this be the final time that this matter will be discussed.

Mayor Bass stated that this has been discussed several times and indicated that this action is final.

Upon Roll Call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Sugarman, Spino, Hlepas Nickell, Ikezoe-Halevi, and Patel. NAYS: None

The motion passed

#### Manager's Report

None

#### **Board and Commissions Report**

Trustee Ikezoe-Halevi reported that the Human Relations Commission will be hosting another Iron Chiefs event on January 26, 2019.

#### Village Clerk's Report

Clerk Herman reported the dates and locations of early voting. She also reported that rides to the polling place can be coordinated with the Village Clerk if they are needed.

#### **Trustees Reports**

None

#### **Public Forum**

None

#### **Adjournment**

At 8:03 PM Trustee Ikezoe-Halevi moved to adjourn the meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Probable or Imminent Litigation Per Section 2(c)(11), seconded by Trustee Patel,

The motion was approved by a voice vote.

### Reconvention

At 9:15 PM Mayor Bass reconvened the Regular Meeting.

#### **Adjournment**

At 9:15 PM Trustee Patel moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting, seconded by Trustee Sugarman.

The motion passed with a Voice Vote

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Meyer *J*Deputy Village Clerk