

**VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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SEPTEMBER 23, 2021**

Call to Order

President Patel called the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees to order at 6:31 P.M. Thursday, September 23, 2021, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex at 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue, Village of Lincolnwood, County of Cook, and State of Illinois.

Upon roll call by Village Clerk Beryl Herman the following were:

Present: President Patel, Trustees Herrera, Klatzco, Sargon, Saleem, Martel and Halevi.

Absent: None

A quorum was present.

Also present: Village Manager Anne Marie Gaura; Charles Meyer, Assistant Village Manager; Hart Passman, Village Attorney; Matt Pasquini, Management Analyst; Scott Mangum, Community Development Director; Doug Hammel, Development Manager.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of September 9, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meetings were presented for approval.

Trustee Sargon moved to approve the minutes of September 9, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meetings, seconded by Trustee Herrera.

Upon Roll Call the results were:

Ayes: Trustees Herrera, Klatzco, Sargon, Saleem, Martel and Halevi.

Nays: None

Minutes Approved

Regular Business

1. Discussion Concerning Potential Building Code Revision Regarding Aluminum Conductors

This item was presented by Development Manager, Doug Hammel using PowerPoint.

Mr. Hammel stated that a petitioner requested that the Village Board amends the Code to allow for aluminum conductors. The National Electrical Code allows for these conductors. However, the Village has a local amendment that prohibits the use of anything but copper. Tucker

Development has raised questions about this requirement based on newer technologies that reduce the risk of aluminum conductors. Tucker Development has stated that newer composite aluminum conductors are safer due to a reduction in expansion and oxidation. Additionally, many communities are "undoing" their previous local amendments requiring copper due to the reduced safety risk of compressed aluminum. Several large-scale projects around Lincolnwood have been approved using compressed aluminum conductors. Also, the requirement of copper imposes substantial undue cost given the improvements in compressed aluminum.

Staff also conducted research on this topic. 5 of 14 communities either prohibit the use of aluminum conductors or require the use of copper conductors. 9 of 14 either have no local amendments restricting the use of aluminum conductors, or have certain parameters related to their use. Glenview requires a minimum gauge size of 2 AWG for aluminum conductors. The Village's consultants provided feedback on the topic. FSCI stated that they are comfortable with the requirements set forth in the National Electrical Code. SAFEbuilt stated that they are supportive of the use of compressed aluminum conductors, but stated that a minimum gauge size of 2 AWG should be considered and that copper should be used between electrical boxes and outlets in individual units.

Mr. Hammel stated staff's recommendation. He recommended revising the current local amendment to include the following permissions and exclusions regarding compressed aluminum conductors: 1) For all single-family detached, single-family attached, and multi-family projects with ten or fewer units, copper conductors are required throughout the structure. 2) For all other developments: a) Aluminum conductors would be permitted for main service lines and other portions of the electrical network up to the electrical boxes that then lead to branch circuits serving individual uses or tenant spaces. b) Any branch circuits leading from these electrical boxes would have to use copper conductors. c) The use of aluminum conductors is subject to all other requirements of the NEC, including the use of ant-oxidizing gel and any other provisions established in that code. d) All aluminum conductors must be at least 2 AWG. Mr. Hammel said that if the Board reaches consensus, they should direct the Village Attorney to draft an Ordinance revising the local amendment to Section 310.1 of the NEC.

Trustee Martel asked a question pertaining to the conductors as they reach the electrical boxes. Mr. Hammel provided clarification for Trustee Martel's inquiry. Trustee Martel had a follow up question regarding the peer community research. Further discussion on conductors occurred. A SafeBuilt representative responded to several Trustee questions. There was a consensus to continue this matter to the next meeting.

2. Discussion Concerning Boards and Commissions Code Review

This item was presented by Charles Meyer, Assistant Village Manager, using PowerPoint.

The Telecommunications Advisory Commission, Traffic Commission, Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB), Board of Trustees of Police Pension Fund, and Board of Police Commissioners (BFPC) were the Boards and Commission to be reviewed. The Standing Committees being reviewed were Finance, Fire and Water, Ordinances, Rules and Buildings, and Police, License, and Health. Mr. Meyer outlined the future timelines of the Board and

Commission Code Review. He stated no changes to the Board, Commissions, and Standing committees were recommended. However, it was recommended that term limits be eliminated.

Mr. Meyer asked the Village Board if any other changes should be made in advance of the October 19 Meeting. Mr. Meyer provided an overview on what tasks each Board, Commission, and Committee oversees. Trustee Martel asked why there is not a Water and Sewer Committee. Mayor Patel stated there are avenues to deal with specific projects with a Committee of three Trustees. Further discussion on the discussed committees and commissions occurred. Trustee Halevi stated that if a committee does not meet, it may not be worth it to keep that committee. Trustee Sargon recommended keeping the Committee of the Whole and Committee on Finance and eliminating the rest. A great deal of discussion ensued with clarification by Mr. Meyer and Fire Chief Hansen.

The consensus of the group was to move forward with Trustee Sargon's recommendation.

Public Forum

There was none.

Adjournment

At 7:22 P.M. Trustee Martel moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole, seconded by Trustee Halevi.

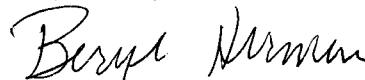
Upon Roll Call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Herrera, Klatzco, Sargon, Saleem, Martel and Halevi

NAYS: None

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,



Beryl Herman

Village Clerk