

MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Village of Clarendon Hills
One North Prospect Avenue, Clarendon Hills, Illinois

September 15, 2003

President Hiller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Present at roll call: President Hiller, Trustees Flood, Karaba, O'Toole, Pedersen, Pocius and Robinson. Also present: Manager Bahan, Fire Chief Leahy, Public Works Director Hays, Community Development Director Brown, Police Sgt. Janski, Administrative Assistant Pierce and Clerk Tandle. Absent: Finance Director/Assistant Manager Redding.

2. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS/PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2.1. Trustee Pocius moved approval of a Resolution designating October 8, 2003 as "International Walk to School Day" in Clarendon Hills. Trustee Flood seconded.

Ayes: Trustees Flood, Karaba, O'Toole, Pedersen, Pocius and Robinson

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

2.2. Trustee O'Toole moved approval of a Proclamation declaring October 5 through October 11, 2003 "Mental Illness Awareness Week" in Clarendon Hills. Trustee Pedersen seconded.

Ayes: Trustees Flood, Karaba, O'Toole, Pedersen, Pocius and Robinson

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

2.3. President Hiller announced that two important issues arising under the Legislative Committee will be discussed at this meeting and should be considered together. The first issue is the proposed amendment of Chapter 2, Section 2.4, Rule 8 of the Village Code regarding the establishment of committees. The second issue is a review of Village Code Chapters 1 through 10. President Hiller stated her opposition to any changes or amendments to the Village Code at this time.

3. RECESS TO COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Trustee Robinson moved to recess to Administrative/Legislative, Community/Intergovernmental Affairs, Land Use and Public Safety Committees at 7:10 p.m. Trustee O'Toole seconded.

Ayes: Trustees Flood, Karaba, O'Toole, Pedersen, Pocius and Robinson

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

Administrative/Legislative

(1) Trustee Karaba presented an ordinance for second consideration which clarifies Chapter 2, Section 2.4, Rule 8 of the Village Code in regard to committees. He stated that the one substantive change in the amendment is that future committees will be formally appointed by ordinance. President Hiller requested that it be noted that the proposed amendment of Rule 8 is a departure from past practices. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Trustees that the proposed amendment only serves to clarify the current status of Rule 8, and that they will support passage of the ordinance.

(2) Trustee Karaba provided background regarding the decision to review Chapters 1 through 10 of the Village Code. Trustee Karaba prepared a summary of proposed amendments to those chapters, all of which were intended to reflect the observations and comments from the Village attorney. The proposed amendments are intended to clarify ambiguities and inconsistencies and to bring the Village Code into compliance with current State statute and case law. After a lengthy review and discussion of some of the proposed amendments, it was the consensus of the Board that Manager Bahan be requested to direct the Village attorney to draft an ordinance amending Chapter 6, Section 6.2A of the Code to delete the last sentence thereof regarding the 10-mile residency requirement for the Chief of Police. Trustee Karaba will forward an additional copy of his suggested revisions to the Village attorney to confirm that the proposed revisions do not conflict with the Constitution or State statute. The Village attorney will also be requested to give additional consideration to the suggested language in Chapter 4 regarding the process by which department heads, independent contractor consultants and employees are hired/appointed. President Hiller provided case law disputing the proposed Code amendments.

Community/Intergovernmental Affairs

(1) Notre Dame Church has submitted an application for its November 15, 2003 raffle and has requested that the fidelity bond be waived for this event.

(2) The Beautification Committee met this evening. Six triangles in the Blackhawk Heights area have received new curbing. The Committee anticipates landscaping at least two of the triangles by year end. The Committee recommended obtaining proposals for projected work on the south side of Burlington Avenue.

(3) Trustee Pocius noted that Trustee O'Toole's economic development presentation was well received at the last Economic Development meeting.

Land Use

(1) Passero Builders has requested a special use permit to construct a one-story office building at 53 Ogden Avenue. An existing residence on the site will be demolished. The

ZBA has recommended approval of the special use with conditions regarding lighting, landscaping, water main extension and handicap accessible sidewalk ramps.

(2) Trustee O'Toole addressed the potential property changes in the downtown business district. He suggested the possibility of contacting S. B. Friedman to assist with an economic development program for the downtown business district, which will be a separate assignment from its Ogden Avenue assignment. It was the consensus of the Board to initiate negotiations with Friedman.

Public Safety

(1) An ordinance has been drafted in reference to the request from School District 181 for stop sign and crosswalk considerations at northbound McIntosh at Norfolk Avenue. The proposed ordinance would be effective through December 31, 2004.

4. RECONVENE

The Board reconvened at 9:40 p.m.

Present at roll call: President Hiller, Trustees Flood, Karaba, O'Toole, Pedersen, Pocius and Robinson.

5. ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE - AGENDA ITEMS

Mike Gluck supported swift action regarding the proposed downtown re-development. Don Kimball stated that the Village should not focus primarily on attracting businesses which produce high sales tax revenues, but that its goal should be to consider the needs and desires of the community. Elliot Tarabour stated that traffic flow should be evaluated. Nell Ryan stated that traffic through downtown streets runs "through" the Village and that people are not stopping to shop at Village businesses.

6. CONSENT AGENDA/OMNIBUS VOTE

Trustee O'Toole moved approval of the Consent Agenda as itemized by President Hiller.

Trustee Pocius seconded.

Ayes: Trustees Flood, Karaba, O'Toole, Pedersen, Pocius and Robinson

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting - September 2, 2003 – OMNIBUS VOTE

8. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

8.1. Administrative/Legislative

Trustee Karaba moved second consideration/passage of an Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Section 2.4, Rule 8 of the Clarendon Hills Village Code in regard to committees. Trustee O'Toole seconded.

Ayes: Trustees Flood, Karaba, O'Toole, Pedersen, Pocius and Robinson

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

8.2. Community and Intergovernmental Affairs

8.2.1. Authorization to waive the fidelity bond fee for the Notre Dame Church November 15, 2003 raffle and issuance of a raffle license – OMNIBUS VOTE

8.2.2. (1) The Beautification Committee meeting originally scheduled for October 13, 2003 will be rescheduled. (2) An EDC meeting is scheduled for October 2, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the Clarendon Hills Bank. (3) The Chamber of Commerce will meet on September 24, 2003 (location to be determined).

8.3. Finance

8.3.1. Claims Ordinance 03-09-02 – OMNIBUS VOTE

8.4. Land Use

8.4.1. Second consideration/passage of an Ordinance granting a special use permit for a new office building in the R-1A single-family dwelling residential and limited office district (53 Ogden Avenue) – OMNIBUS VOTE

8.4.2. ZBA/PC meetings are scheduled for September 18 and October 16, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall.

8.5. Public Safety

8.5.1. First consideration, second and passage of an Ordinance amending Schedule SD 41, Section SD 41.2 of the Clarendon Hills Village Code in regard to stop intersections and authorization to install crosswalk pavement markings in relation thereto (McIntosh Avenue at Norfolk Avenue) – OMNIBUS VOTE

8.6. Public Services – No report.

9. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Manager Bahan reported that he and President Hiller will be attending the Illinois Municipal League conference this weekend. He announced that Patrick Anderson has been hired as the new Chief of Police effective October 6, 2003. Mr. Anderson is a former Chief of Police of Deerfield. Director Hays noted that a bid opening for downtown snow removal is scheduled for September 29, 2003. He also stated that the new stop sign at the intersection of Norfolk and McIntosh will be installed within 10 days.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

Trustee Pocius questioned whether the Village ever received a fully executed Boundary Agreement with Westmont. Manager Bahan reported that the Village has not yet received that agreement. Staff will contact officials at Westmont regarding the status. Trustee Pocius stated that she was pleased to have attended the dedication service for the new Notre Dame Church, and reported that Notre Dame has indicated that the new gymnasium will be available as a future community room. She noted that the annual Fire Prevention Open House will be held on October 4, 2003 and suggested, with concurrence of the Board, that the October Village Coffee be hosted at that event since it is very well attended. She also proposed hosting the November Village Coffee at the Village Hall. President Hiller stated that she had no objection to alternating the location of Village Coffees between the Village Hall and community establishments, but indicated the importance of meeting with residents at local businesses as well. In an effort to discourage unofficial signage for future Village Coffees, Trustee Pocius proposed that Village-approved signs be obtained for Village Coffees.

11. ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Kathy Scheer and Nell Ryan objected to hosting the Village Coffee at the Fire Prevention Open House. They suggested that the event would be more informal and accessible if held at a Village establishment. Jo Potts stated that having the Village Coffee at the Open House would be a good opportunity to reach more residents. Don Kimball stated that Village Coffees would appear less political if held in Village establishments as opposed to the Village Hall. Ken Nolan asked if the Village has considered preparing a 6-month budget report. Manager Bahan stated that the annual audit report will be presented in October and that a mid-year review has been proposed. Mr. Nolan also asked if any grants have been received. Manager Bahan reported that \$200,000.00 has been received to date. Jim Trchka stated that he disagrees with the notion of granting the Village President sole discretion regarding appointments, and that all future decisions should have the concurrence of the Trustees. He further stated that there is an appearance that a small but vocal group is maneuvering to force some future decision without the concurrence of the Trustees.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee O'Toole moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 p.m. Trustee Pocius seconded.

Ayes: Trustees Flood, Karaba, O'Toole, Pedersen, Pocius and Robinson

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED