

VILLAGE OF ITASCA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

October 18, 2016 – Immediately Following Village Board Meeting

- Call to Order:** Mayor Jeff Pruyn called the meeting to order at 6:45PM.
- Roll Call:** Present: Mayor Pruyn; Trustees – Marty Hower, Jeff Aiani, Ellen Leahy, Lucy Santorsola, Mike Latoria; Village Clerk – Melody Craven.
- Also present: Village Administrator – Evan Teich; Director of Police – Robert O'Connor; Community Development Director – Nancy Hill; Director of Public Works – Ross Hitchcock; Finance Director – Julie Ciesla; Village Attorney – Chuck Hervas; Village Engineering Consultant – Aaron Fundich; Community Development Intern – Chris Strom.
- Absent: Trustee Madaras.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited at the preceding Village Board Meeting.
- Audience Participation:** None.
- President's Comments:** None.
- Late Arrival:** Trustee Madaras arrived at 6:46PM.
- Community Development Committee:** Trustee Latoria presented Ordinance #1825-16, "An Ordinance Granting a Variance for 860 W. Irving Park Road (Holiday Inn-Itasca." Hearing no objections, Trustee Latoria made a motion to recommend approval of Ordinance #1825-16; Trustee Leahy seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
Trustee Latoria, Chairperson
(Ordinance #1825-16)
- Administration Committee:** Trustee Santorsola had no report.
Trustee Santorsola, Chairperson
- Environment Committee:** Trustee Leahy had no report.
Trustee Leahy, Chairperson
- Finance Committee:** Trustee Hower had no report.
Trustee Hower, Chairperson
- Public Safety Committee:** Trustee Madaras had no report.
Trustee Madaras, Chairperson
- Public Works/Infrastructure Committee:** Trustee Aiani had no report.
Trustee Aiani, Chairperson

Department Heads:

Director of Police Robert O'Connor reported the Police Department started an educational campaign with Metra concerning pedestrian rail crossing. Mr. O'Connor also reported on the creation and results of a Police Department satisfaction survey. He stated he was very pleased with the positive results.

Community Development Nancy Hill reported the Itasca Plan Commission has an item related to a special use request for outdoor storage at 925 W. Thorndale Avenue (Major Prime Plastics). In addition, the Plan Commission will have a special meeting on November 2, 2016 for a training session put on by the American Planning Association – Illinois Chapter. The Historic Commission will also be meeting Thursday, October 20, 2016 to review a roofing application at 236 S. Oak Street. Ms. Hill also reported that the Building Inspectors have been discussing with the Residences at Hamilton Lakes developers and contractors the use of PVC piping and PEX materials. There is some conflict between the Illinois Plumbing Code and the Village's local amendments. Staff is trying to come to a reasonable solution with the developer.

Community Development Intern Chris Strom had no report.

Village Engineering Consultant Aaron Fundich reported the Clover Ridge Lane closures will be open Friday, October 28, 2016.

Public Works Director Ross Hitchcock reported the next Board agenda he would bring a proposal from Ground Pros for 2016-2017 sidewalk snow clearing.

Finance Director Julie Ciesla reported the Village is in the process of drafting an agreement to return funds from a failed financial software project, Smart Fusion. There is at least one other software provider that could bring a successful product that would pay for itself within a few years. However, the first step, Ms. Ciesla stated, was to remedy Smart Fusion. Ms. Ciesla also reported auditors from Sikich would present to the Board in November.

Village Administrator Evan Teich reported the Craft Beer was successful in spite of the light attendance due to the Cubs game. Mr. Teich also reported on the ongoing ComEd proposal for 150' power lines in Itasca. According to a ComEd meeting for municipal managers, ComEd is not planning to file to the Illinois Commerce Commission this fall as originally planned to initiate the project. By State law, ComEd has to hold public meetings first.

Village Clerk Melody Craven had no report.

Village Attorney Charles Hervas reported on the ongoing Village litigation concerning former Itasca Officer Hancock. Mr. Hervas explained all of the legal fees were paid for by the

insurance company.

Adjournment:

Trustee Madaras made a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 7:03PM; Trustee Santorsola seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Minutes by: Melody Craven, Village Clerk