



Village of Itasca
Intergovernmental Committee Workshop
Monday, January 30, 2023
5:00 p.m.
Itasca Municipal Complex, Board of Trustees Room

1. Call to Order

Trustee Leahy called to order the Intergovernmental Committee Workshop at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Pruyn, Village Trustee Ellen Leahy (Chair), Village Trustee Dino Gavanese, Village Clerk Jody Conidi, Village Administrator Carie Anne Ergo, Park District Executive Director Maryfran Leno, Fire Protection District Chief John Schneidwind, Fire Protection District Trustee Chris Kunze, Fire Protection District Trustee John Kearney, School District Superintendent Craig Benes, School District Board Member James Barthel.

2. Audience Participation

No Audience Participation.

3. Intergovernmental Committee Workshop Minutes – October 17, 2022

Mayor Pruyn moved to approve the minutes of the Intergovernmental Committee Workshop for October 17, 2022. Trustee Gavanese seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. Itasca Park District Update

Park District Executive Director Leno reported:

- The first Winter Wonderland event was a success with Public Works and Park District staff setting up and taking down the displays
- Winter Fest was held at the Springbrook Nature Center on Saturday, January 14, 2023 and will become an annual event
- The Ice Rink opens Tuesday, January 31, 2023 and a pop-up Twilight Skate is on Saturday, February 4, 2023 from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.
- Bid packets are out for renovating the tennis courts at Elmer H. Franzen Intermediate School into pickleball courts, adding a new roof on the Recreation Center building, and replacing sections of the boardwalk and adding new signage at Springbrook Nature Center

5. Itasca Community Library Update

No Community Library Report.

6. Itasca School District 10 Update

School District Board Member Barthel reported:

- Public Works Director Mike Subers and Village Engineering Consultant Mark Wesolowski were recognized for their partnership and collaboration with the school district
- Received a positive three-year compliance review
- An Illinois substitute teacher shortage is beginning to impact the district
- A walk-thru of the new construction was held to review progress

- Preliminary 2023-2024 school district calendars are out and this year the district's calendar will match Lake Park High School's
- The district does not support national sex education standards
- Negotiations for a new teachers' contract have begun
- The musical in April 2023 is Fiddler on the Roof

7. Itasca Fire Protection District Update

Fire District Interim Chief Buckley reported:

- Lost 34-year old Fire Fighter Frank Nunez after his battle with cancer
- Updated hazardous material equipment
- Hired one person
- Thursday, March 2, 2023 a memorial mass will be held at St. Peter's to remember all district fire fighters who have passed since 1980
- Only six candidates tested at the latest new hire testing
- The Police Department and Fire District are conducting active shooter training drills

Fire District Trustee Chris

- The union contract ends in May 2023 and negotiations have begun
- The annual audit is complete

8. Village of Itasca Update

Village Administrator Ergo reported:

- The ongoing Roadway and Infrastructure Project is a four-to-five year project and Phase II will be implemented this year
- The new Park/Pierce/Devon Intersection Improvements Project is starting
- A new project to add more water retention may include a new amenity pond
- The Holliday Properties Project on Orchard Street would replace two large existing buildings with one multi-story building with residential and first floor commercial
- The first TIF review meeting is February 9, 2023
- The purchase of Axon body cameras and tars has been approved
- 102 East Irving Park Road has been leased to Beans and Cream, offering deli sandwiches, coffee, and milk shakes, and opening before May 1, 2023
- Staff are working with the schools to resolve parking issues
- Multiple parcels on Andrene Lane have been annexed into the Village
- Sergeant Tom Polakidas was promoted to Deputy Chief last week and Officer Scott Lawson is being promoted to Sergeant next week
- The Final Environmental Impact Report related to the Canadian Pacific and Kansas City Southern merger was released and results are the railroad crossings were revised based on coalition feedback, proposed technology is being investigated, and no capital improvements were supported; several state's attorneys filed paperwork against the merger; and the U.S. Justice Department announced anti-trust concerns regarding the merger
- The annual Scottish Festival & Highland Games will be held again in Itasca in June 2023

- NTT Data Center was recently issued a permit for a second data center near the first center and a third data center is being planned that will require a substation
- Multiple data centers are investigating 900 North Arlington Heights Road for a micro data center
- The Subway was sold to another Suway who is reinovating the space before reopening
- The Medinah Terrace Condominiums are being sold and transformed from condos back into apartments
- The Cooking Skills Social in Itasca may be a good consideration for team building activities for staff development
- Church Street Brewery was given a special use permit to install working grain silo on premise for milling and processing grain
- Employment contracts have been closed and are done for the next four years
- Partnering with the Village of Lombard for sidewalks and curbs replacement
- Residential water meters will be replaced this summer with automatic meter reading devices to allow daily meter reading

Village Mayor Pruyn reported:

- ItascaFest starts on Thursday, July 6, 2023 this year which is the same week as July Fourth and may be a challenge for event staffing
- After a hiatus National Night Out will be held Tuesday, August 1, 2023 to bring people back onto the Village campus

9. Closed Session


No Closed Session.

The next Intergovernmental Workshop is Monday, April 17 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

10. Adjournment

Trustee Leahy moved to adjourn the Intergovernmental Committee Workshop at 6:13 p.m. Mayor Pruyn seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Submitted this 23rd day of January 2023:



Jody A. Conidi, Village Clerk

