



# Village of Fox River Grove

## MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2016

### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Trustee Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:46 p.m. in the Municipal Center. Present at roll call were President Nunamaker, Trustees Anderson, Blohm, Curtiss, Knar, Migdal and Wall. Also present were Administrator Soderholm, Management Assistant Bechler, Chief Lukasik, Operations Managers Reese and Zintl, and Village Clerk Brouder.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

### **PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEE REPORTS**

President Nunamaker stated that McDonalds is doing some remodeling and is closed temporarily.

President Nunamaker also reported the developer is closer to reaching an agreement with a property owner that was a holdout.

Staff answered questions from the Board regarding water shut offs, service requests and police activity.

### **1. APPROVAL: JANUARY 7, 2016 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND JANUARY 7, 2016 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

**Trustee Curtiss made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2016 Committee of the Whole meeting and January 7, 2016 Executive Session minutes. Trustee Wall seconded.** Roll Call: Trustees Anderson, Blohm, Curtiss, Knar, Migdal and Wall – all “yes”. MOTION PASSED.

### **2. PRESENTATION: 1050 NORTHWEST HIGHWAY**

Mr. George Kalkounas, owner of the Chicago Prime Steakhouse, presented his plans for a banquet facility at 1050 Northwest Highway. He has purchased the property. He gave a brief history of his experience as a restaurateur. Mr. Kalkounas stated the banquet facility will employ about 47 part time and six full time employees while producing \$3M in business annually. He has previously spoken to the Village President and Administrator about establishing a Business District. In order to do so, a study is needed and he will be covering all costs related to it. He is anxious to get started and plans to be open September 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **3. DISCUSSION: LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

Staff inquired as to the committee’s interest in waiving the bidding process for next year and contract with Ringers Landscape Services for another year of service at the same price. Staff stated that Ringers has demonstrated quality service and is much easier to manage than other contractors the Village has worked with in the past. The Board had no objections to continue with Ringers Landscape Services again next year.

Village President Robert Nunamaker

Trustees Thomas Anderson / Suzanne Blohm / Jennifer Curtiss / Steve Knar / Andrew Migdal / Patrick Wall

**4. DISCUSSION: HUNTERS FARM ENTRYWAY SIGN LIGHTS**

The residents in Hunters Farm Subdivision have asked to have entryway lights installed. The cost for the project, \$17,000 would be an eligible expense from the Hunters Farm Special Service Area (SSA). The Board had no objections to installing the lighting.

Trustee Blohm asked about tree replacement. There have been several removed from Hunters Farm Parks, as well as other Village parks. She would like to see some of the 50/50 Tree Replacement year end balance to be designated to replace trees in all the parks. This will be an agenda item for next meeting.

**5. OTHER BUSINESS**

Trustee Knar expressed his frustration with the communication regarding the downtown development.

Administrator Soderholm informed the Village Board that approximately \$15,000 worth of pavement patching is needed at the Union Pacific parking lot. The patch would be about five feet in width for the entire length of each aisle. The general consensus of the Committee was to add the additional quantity to the annual pavement patching program and include the \$15,000 of expense in next year's budget.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no Executive Session.

**6 ADJOURMENT**

**Trustee Anderson made a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole at 8:01 p.m. Trustee Curtiss seconded.** All were in favor.

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Thomas Anderson, Chairperson

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Date

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Donna M. Brouder, Village Clerk