



Village of Fox River Grove

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES JULY 21, 2016

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Trustee Blohm called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m. in the Municipal Center. Present at roll call were President Nunamaker, Trustees Blohm, Curtiss, Knar, Migdal and Wall. Also present were Administrator Soderholm, Management Assistant Bechler, Chief Lukasik, Operations Manager Reese, Treasurer Menz and Village Clerk Brouder.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

2. DISCUSSION: ZONING CASE 2016-03, 980 ROUTE 22, VARIANCE AND SPECIAL USE PERMIT

Leader Ace Hardware's owner, Jeremy Melnick, has requested the following variations – 1) a variation allowing a detached accessory structure (greenhouse) within 60 feet of the front lot line; 2) to allow an accessory structure (greenhouse) in a required side yard; and 3) allowing an accessory structure (greenhouse) to occupy more than 720 square feet in total area and a special use request to allow the display of merchandise for sale more than eight feet from the front entrance of the store. They also requested a height variation in the original application, but that is not needed.

The petitioner appeared before the Zoning Board of Appeals and they recommended approval of all of the requests with the following conditions: 1) the greenhouse in the requested expanded dimensions to be allowed in its current position from April 1st to July 31st each year; 2) the parking stalls along Route 22 should be clear of any display or sale of goods; 3) the sidewalk area at the side of the building may be used for storage/display of goods, except for that sidewalk area adjacent to all handicapped parking stalls which may not be used for storage/display of any goods; 4) the parking area to the east which borders the triangle shall be permissible for display and sale of goods five feet into the grass; 5) the concrete area in front of the business shall be permissible for the sale of goods and 6) the eight foot height restriction for materials applies to the entire property.

The Committee agreed with the Zoning Board's recommendations. They will also be able to use the front parking spaces for seasonal display like pumpkins, hay, mums, Christmas trees and wreaths from September 15th through December 31st each year, however machinery or pallets will not be allowed. The Committee requested that a path along the sidewalk between the handicap spaces and the front door must be kept clear. They mentioned a fire hydrant on the property that needs to be kept clear so no goods may be kept in the farthest space to the north on the east side of the parking lot. Also, the Committee stressed that the back of the building needs to be kept presentable. **Trustee Wall made a motion to approve the variance and special use requests as discussed. Trustee Migdal seconded.** Roll Call: Trustees Blohm, Curtiss, Migdal and Wall – all "yes". Trustee Knar – "no". MOTION PASSED.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT, TRUSTEES AND STAFF REPORTS

President Nunamaker reported on the Downtown Redevelopment. With the passing of the agreements with the Schools, the developers are moving forward with their schedule.

Village President Robert Nunamaker

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

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Trustee Curtiss complimented Public Works and the Police Department on their hard work at fireworks.

Trustee Wall thanked Chief Lukasik for his community outreach.

Chief Lukasik asked Trustee Blohm to remind the soccer camp attendees to park in the Algonquin Road School parking lot.

Trustee Blohm requested staff to create additional financial reporting documents.

1. APPROVAL: JULY 7, 2016 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND JULY 7, 2016 EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES

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

3. PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE/ENFORCEMENT

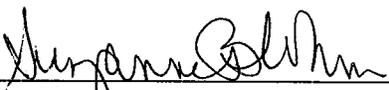
Trustee Blohm discussed property maintenance codes and asked if the Committee would consider doing a more extensive review of our codes. The Committee was not interested at this time, but expressed some interest in adding dumpster enclosures requirements to all commercial new construction or businesses undergoing major renovations.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

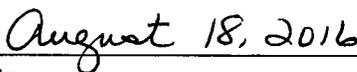
Administrator Soderholm gave an update on the banquet facility progress (1050 Northwest Highway). They have re-submitted their stormwater permit to the County with the changes that were requested. The Village has not yet issued a building permit.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Knar made a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole at 8:13 p.m. Trustee Wall seconded. Roll Call: Trustees Blohm, Curtiss, Knar, Migdal and Wall – all “yes”. MOTION PASSED.



Suzanne Blohm, Chairperson



Date



Donna M. Brouder, Village Clerk