

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
33 S. ARLINGTON HEIGHTS ROAD - COMMUNITY ROOM
June 17, 2019 – 7:45 PM**

President Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President Hayes; Trustees Baldino, Canty, LaBedz, Padovani, Scaletta, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Rosenberg

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Village Manager Randy Recklaus

OTHERS PRESENT: John Eggum, Peg Lane

A. Interview of John Eggum for appointment to the Housing Commission – term ending 4/30/22

President Hayes introduced John Eggum. Mayor Hayes then called on Trustee Tinaglia. Trustee Tinaglia stated that his firm occasionally works with a construction law attorney that is employed at the same firm as Mr. Eggum. Trustee Tinaglia stated he did not see any conflict of interest.

President Hayes stated that John Eggum had been serving on the Senior Citizens Commission for about 14 months. Mr. Eggum has recently resigned from that Commission. President Hayes stated that there is a critical need on the Housing Commission now and the Board needs to make sure that there is a quorum for the upcoming meetings reviewing the Affordable Housing policies.

Trustee Schwingbeck inquired why Mr. Eggum wants to be on the Housing Commission and what he can bring to the commission. Mr. Eggum stated that about 12 years ago he worked for a professor (Congresswoman Porter) that researched and focused on affordable housing and what solutions exist. Mr. Eggum feels that he has a good background in affordability challenges and thinks he would be a good addition and able to think about all the stakeholders' positions and clarify items for consideration. Discussion ensued. Trustee Canty asked Mr. Eggum what work he has done related to housing and construction since his work with Congresswoman Porter. Mr. Eggum stated that in terms of ongoing professional aspects, he does not have an occasion to deal with a lot of housing issues. Mr. Eggum did point out that while on the Senior Commission they did look at what senior options were available and the affordability.

President Hayes stated that he appreciates Mr. Eggum's willingness to change to the Housing Commission from the Senior Commission. President Hayes stated that he does not usually like to make changes from one commission to another however, if a need arises and it serves the best interest of the community, it makes sense. Trustee LaBedz asked the Mayor if he had asked Mr. Eggum to make the change. The Mayor stated he did.

Trustee Scaletta moved to concur in the Mayor’s appointment of John Eggum to the Housing Commission with term ending 4/30/22. Trustee Schwingbeck seconded the motion.

President Hayes asked if there were comments from the audience. Peg Lane of Arlington Heights questioned the type of process for inviting residents to participate in this appointment. Ms. Lane would like a process with a broader time line. She also inquired as to whether there were women or people of color considered or people who would use affordable housing as well as someone with more experience? Ms. Lane stated that we have a great way to go for getting residents to participate or notify residents. President Hayes stated this is the process followed for decades, the meeting was publicized, agendas were posted, comments taken and all will be voted on at public session.

Ms. Lane then asked if she could meet with the Commissioners. Randy Recklaus stated that the commission meetings are open, there are opportunities for public comment, and that citizens can reach out to Commissioners. Commissioners or Trustees are private citizens and can meet with anyone. Ms. Lane stated we need to look at this process. President Hayes thanked Ms. Lane for her comments.

President Hayes state there is a motion and a second and then took a vote:

THE FOLLOWING VOICE VOTE WAS RECORDED:

7 AYES

1 NAYS

The motion passed.

B. OTHER BUSINESS – There was no further business.

C. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee LaBedz moved, and Trustee Padovani seconded the motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.