



MINUTES

President and Board of Trustees
Village of Arlington Heights

Virtual Meeting

Arlington Heights Village Hall

33 S. Arlington Heights Road

Arlington Heights, IL 60005

September 21, 2020

7:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

President Hayes and the following Trustees responded to roll: Rosenberg, Tinaglia, Schwingbeck, Padovani, Baldino, Canty and LaBedz. Trustee Scaletta was absent.

Also present were: Randy Recklaus, Charles Perkins, Robin Ward and Becky Hume.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Village Board 09/08/2020

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to approve. Trustee Greg Padovani

Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Abstain: Padovani

Absent: Scaletta

B. Committee of the Whole 09/08/2020

Approved

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve. Trustee Tom Schwingbeck

Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Abstain: Padovani
Absent: Scaletta

V. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A. Warrant Register 09/15/2020 Approved

Trustee Bert Rosenberg moved to approve in the amount of \$2,286,594.00.
Trustee Tom Schwingbeck Seconded the Motion.
The Motion: Passed
Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Absent: Scaletta

VI. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

VIII. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

IX. OLD BUSINESS

X. CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT OLD BUSINESS

CONSENT LEGAL

A. An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Arlington Heights, Granting a Land Use Variation and Variations from Chapter 28 of the Arlington Heights Municipal Code (Pet Suites, 1050 E Rand Rd) Approved

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2020-030. Trustee Richard Baldino Seconded the Motion.
The Motion: Passed
Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Absent: Scaletta

B. An Ordinance Adopting Rules for the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Approved

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2020-031. Trustee Richard Baldino Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Absent: Scaletta

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| C. | An Ordinance Amending Chapter 18 of the
Arlington Heights Municipal Code
(Various provisions) | Approved |
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Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2020-032. Trustee Richard Baldino Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Absent: Scaletta

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| D. | A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental
Agreement with the Illinois Department of
Healthcare and Family Services
(Supplemental Medicaid payments for ground
medical transportation) | Approved |
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Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve R2020-019/A2020-070. Trustee Richard Baldino Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Absent: Scaletta

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| E. | A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental
Agreement with the State of Illinois
(Sustained Traffic Safety Enforcement Grant) | Approved |
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Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve R2020-020/A2020-071. Trustee Richard Baldino Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Absent: Scaletta

- F. A Resolution Approving Certain Property to Participate in the Cook County Class 7c Commercial Urban Relief Eligibility Incentive (3400 W Euclid Ave)

Trustee Padovani recused himself as he is an investor in this organization.

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve R2020-021. Trustee Richard Baldino Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Abstain: Padovani

Absent: Scaletta

CONSENT REPORT OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

XI. APPROVAL OF BIDS

- A. Renewable Energy Aggregation Approved

Mr. Recklaus said last year, the Village conducted a one year trial for a Renewable Energy Electric Aggregation Program. The program provides Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) sourced from Wind power generators across the Midwest, reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Under the trial program, the Village received RECs for 100% renewable energy and received a civic contribution of \$174,963 to be applied toward green projects in the Village.

Staff is recommending entering into a three year agreement with MC Squared. They have a five star rating in the industry and references indicate that they provide excellent customer service. Civic contributions over three years would total \$450,000. Staff will be doing public outreach on this effort.

President Hayes liked the 3-year term as less change is better and reduces the implementation and communication issues. Fewer and clearer communications are better.

Trustee Rosenberg asked if it's worth going with the other company as the civic contribution would be lower.

Mr. Recklaus said yes, because a smooth transition is desired, we want to make sure the residents are comfortable with whom we partner. Trustee Rosenberg said the price differential is sizable.

Trustee Canty agreed with Trustee Rosenberg. Why would we switch? It's another change and gives the Village less money. Mr. Recklaus said because we are entering a new agreement, no matter who we go with we have to

start the process over. There were challenges in implementation last time resulting in hundreds of phone calls to Village Hall. MC Squared has better customer service. The primary goal in aggregation is to achieve renewable energy, not the civic contribution. Mr. Recklaus said he was confident MC Squared will be able to field the questions well. With Eligo, some of the confusion came from bounce back from them.

Trustee LaBedz asked if there were any skeletons in the closet. Mr. Recklaus said no, the company was vetted thoroughly.

Trustee Schwingbeck said previously it was recommended to only commit to one year to take advantage of price fluctuations. Will we miss future discounts by agreeing to a three year program? Mr. Recklaus said having a three year program will limit the implementation challenges which outweigh the potential cost savings.

Dave Hoover, the Village's consultant for the program, said initially there was potential opportunity to work with other suppliers. The hope was that there would be more competition, but more suppliers have not joined in, so there is not a benefit to reducing the longevity of the program.

Trustee Rosenberg asked if the contribution differential offsets the vendor choice. It's a significant amount of money. Mr. Hoover said he was supportive of the decision and appreciated the unfortunate amount of staff time involved a year ago. MC Squared can manage this in a much more efficient manner. Trustee Rosenberg asked if the issues would be handled better now since it's been a year. Mr. Hoover said he worked with Eligo to bring them up to speed, and has more confidence in MC Squared.

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to accept the proposal from MC Squared to establish a Renewable Energy Aggregation program for a 36 month term, which will provide for the Village to receive 100% RECs for the program term and a Civic Contribution in the amount of \$450,000 and to authorize the Village Manager to sign the contract. Trustee Mary Beth Canty Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Nays: Rosenberg

Absent: Scaletta

XII. NEW BUSINESS

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| A. | Cremation by Water - 11 W. College Dr. -
PC#20-011
Land Use Variation to Allow a Crematorium in
the M-1 District, Variations | Approved |
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Philip and Colleen Flores explained aquamation, the water based cremation process they will use. A combination of water, sodium and potassium

hydroxide is used. At the end of the process, the chemical has been completely consumed, neutralized, and no longer remains in the water solution. The water output flows into the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District where CBW has been approved to dispense via a sanitary drain.

President Hayes asked if they were licensed by the State. Mr. Flores said they were certified and licensed by the State. They went through the appropriate training (8-12 hours) on their machine to qualify to purchase it. Then they received safety training. They have the ability to process 3-4 people per day and 28 pets day. They have the ability to expand with a walk in cooler space if necessary.

Mr. Perkins said the company is leasing 2,600 square feet of the building, the last vacant space at that location. Typically crematoriums have funeral services and need parking. This is not the case here. It will be a low intensity use in a manufacturing district. The 64 parking spaces on site exceeds Code. The Plan Commission and staff recommend approval.

Trustee Rosenberg asked if the public dealt directly with them. Mr. Flores said humans would work through a funeral home. Pets can come straight to them or from vets or shelters. Drop offs are by appointment only, but they also offer pick up from people's homes. The drop off area is screened, so the animal is covered. There are active camera systems in place to alleviate any unscheduled drop offs. The cost is comparable or lower to traditional cremation, but the funeral homes set the retail price. Cost is not based on size. There are no emissions or after affects for the environment.

Trustee LaBedz said the Board approved a pet crematorium nearby a few years ago, have there been any complaints? Mr. Perkins said no.

Trustee Baldino said as an environmental chemist, this is not a new technique. He asked if the chemicals were premixed. Mr. Flores said they are purchased separately, then mixed and laid gently over the remains. This reduces chances of a spill. Trustee Baldino asked if there was monitoring before the water goes into the sewer. Mr. Flores said the output is digitally recorded. There is no acid, and the Ph rate will be adjusted with Co2.

Trustee Robin LaBedz moved to approve the Land Use Variation to allow a "Crematory" within the M-1 Zoning District and a variation to waive the requirement for a traffic and parking analysis. Trustee Greg Padovani Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Absent: Scaletta

XIII. LEGAL

XIV. REPORT OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

Mr. Recklaus noted that this was Ms. Ward's last meeting after 32 years. She has been a significant contributor to the history of the Village and its development. Ms. Ward is helpful to the whole management team and has many years of institutional knowledge. She is guided by what is fair, ethical and right.

President Hayes said Ms. Ward has been invaluable in meetings and during the transition of village managers.

Trustee Rosenberg said she has made a huge difference at the meetings with her words of wisdom and authorship of motions.

Steve Schwartz, the Firefighter's Union President, thanked Ms. Ward for her innovation in bargaining which have been fruitful for both sides. He said she built mutual trust and created a relationship between the Union and the Village.

XV. APPOINTMENTS

XVI. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Melissa Cayer sent the following questions. They were not read during Citizens to be Heard because they were received in "junk email" by mistake.

- 1. Why did you vote to forego property tax revenue for 23 years from the TIF district around AH Road and Algonquin Road for the Village of Arlington Heights and the other taxing bodies?*
- 2. Which taxing bodies are on the Village of Arlington Heights Joint Review Board?*
- 3. Please have the Planning & Community Development group prepare an equation to calculate the amount of taxing bodies' debt affixed to an individual property.*
- 4. Mayor, can you make an educated guess as to how much taxing bodies' debt is affixed to your property?*
- 5. Does the amount of taxing bodies' debt affixed to a property affect the property sales price and mortgage cost?*

Mr. Recklaus responded that a TIF area does not forgo taxes. The value of property taxes collected when the TIF is established is collected each of the next 23 years. Any growth in value in taxes goes into a fund to pay for improvements on that property.

The Joint Review Board consists of the elementary school district, D214,

the Park District, Library, Township and Harper College, basically any entity that the property pays taxes to.

Any debt numbers should be found at the County Assessor's office. The County is in charge of that calculation, as they collect the taxes. The Village does not collect taxes. The Village cannot determine the Impact on property values.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to adjourn at 8:24 p.m.. Trustee Bert Rosenberg Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

Absent: Scaletta