

#### **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
December 7, 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: Baldino, Canty, Rosenberg, LaBedz, Schwingbeck, Padovani, Tinaglia, and Scaletta.

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

# IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Committee of the Whole 11/16/2020

Approved

Trustee Bert Rosenberg moved to approve. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

# B. Village Board 11/16/2020

Approved

Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve. Trustee Greg Padovani Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

#### V. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A. Warrant Register 11/30/2020

Approved

Trustee Bert Rosenberg moved to approve in the amount of \$1,775,596.28. Trustee John Scaletta Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

#### VI. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

#### VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to open the Public Hearing. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

# A. Proposed 2021 Budget

Approved

Mr. Recklaus explained the budget process and outlined the good decision making that occurred to keep costs down. These actions put the Village in a solid financial position. The Village continues to maintain 48 vacancies which occurred during the Great Recession and currently is keeping 13 positions temporarily vacant to get through 2020. So far, the Village is \$1.7 million below budget this year. For 2021, there is a zero percent tax increase. However, to accomplish this, the Village will draw down General Fund Reserves. The goal was to be realistic and fair, and to continue to provide the services the community needs.

Keith Moens recognized staff and the Board for a zero percent Tax Levy for the second year in a row. It's a big deal especially for those in the community who are below the median income. He said he would like to go for a third year. There shouldn't be a hurry to rebuild the General Fund because there is still a sizable cushion. Although he said he understands that big fund balances mean higher credit ratings, he believes there will be a low interest rate climate for a while. The tax relief for residents is greatly appreciated. Keep up the hard work.

Trustee John Scaletta moved to close the Public Hearing. Trustee Jim Tinaglia Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

#### **VIII. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Veronica Jasper called to thank the Village for their compassionate response to an incident on November 13th which involved her son. She thanked Chief Pecora and the first responders who were there. With all the racial injustice in the country, she and her husband were distressed when they received a crisis call regarding their African American son. They live in Milwaukee and got on the road when they heard their son was in crisis. The safety staff on site kept the line open so they could listen to the ongoing situation. She said she was grateful for the open communication and especially because the entire police force is white, and it meant a lot to them that they did not automatically perceive her son as a threat. She said de-escalation can work. There was an officer who called him by name and asked him to pray with him which allowed their son to come out of the car and trust that he would be okay. People can get along regardless of economic background, political background, and color. It is hard when you are a young African American man and as a mom, she was so worried. The training the Village officers has means a lot. She said to not feel bad because there is not a black person on the force, a life is a life, and the Village respected it. Peace prevailed. Their son is at work is doing well and also conveyed his thanks. She expressed her gratitude.

President Hayes said many prayers were answered that evening. It is helpful to throw in training and professionalism with God's grace. He said he was glad to hear her son was doing well, and asked her to covey the Village's good wishes.

# IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Report of the Committee of the Whole Meeting Approved of December 7, 2020
Interview of Afroz Hafeez for Appointment to the Youth Commission (adult member) - term ending 4/30/2021

Trustee John Scaletta moved to concur with the Mayor's appointment of Afroz Hafeez to the Youth Commission. Trustee Mary Beth Canty Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

# X. CONSENT AGENDA

# **CONSENT OLD BUSINESS**

#### **CONSENT APPROVAL OF BIDS**

A. Emergency Generator Upgrade and Replacement Approved - Design Services

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

B. Vendor Expenses Over \$25,000 In Aggregate for Approved Calendar Year 2021

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

C. Superion Solutions Annual Agreement 2021 Approved

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

D. Public Works LED Lights - Bid Award 2020 Approved

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

E. Stormwater Station - Pump & Motor Approved Replacement

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

F. Police Department - SUV Vehicle Purchase 2020 Approved

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

G. Municipal Parking Garages - Stairwell & Elevator Approved Cleaning Services 2021

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

H. Comcast Dedicated Internet & Ethernet Network Approved Service Contract Renewal

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

# **CONSENT NEW BUSINESS**

A. Cash in Lieu of Land Dedication

Approved

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

#### **CONSENT LEGAL**

A. A Resolution Approving an Amended Approved Employment Agreement between Randall R. Recklaus and the Village of Arlington Heights

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to approve R2020-030. Trustee Jim Tinaglia Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

B. An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of a Approved Real Estate Contract (Acquisition of 139 E Golf Terrace)

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to approve 2020-039. Trustee Jim Tinaglia Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

C. An Ordinance Accepting the Transfer of Real Approved Property from the Arlington Heights Park District Pursuant to the Local Governmental Property Transfer Act (Southern portion of Happiness Park)

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to approve 2020-040. Trustee Jim Tinaglia Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

# **CONSENT REPORT OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER**

#### **CONSENT APPOINTMENTS**

A. Appointment of Paul Balga as Chairman of the Approved Environmental Commission

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

### XI. APPROVAL OF BIDS

#### XII. NEW BUSINESS

A. DC#20-067 - Miner School - 1101 E. Miner St. Approved / Sign Variation - DC#20-067

Julie Jilek said the school has built a handicapped accessible playground. It allows those in wheel chairs to experience the equipment. There is also a reading corner with a chair and mushroom seats in honor of a student who passed away. The playground is open to the community on weekends and after school hours. The playground is set back, so the sign provides a welcome to the space. There is also a donor sign because they want to express their appreciation to those who donated.

Mr. Perkins said the school is seeking four variations for signs. The site is zoned for single family residential which does not allow signs. The playground entrance sign is the only one that is visible from the street. Staff and the Design Commission recommend approval.

Trustee Baldino asked if the playground was accessible after school hours, on weekends and if it was accessible to the day care center. The answer was yes and the day care is already using it. Trustee Baldino said in light of

diversity, equity, and inclusion he was whole heartedly in support. The DEI initiative includes people with disabilities and embracing them lovingly into the community.

Trustee Scaletta conveyed his congratulations, nothing that makes you happier than seeing a child be able to do something they were not able to do before.

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to concur with the Design Commissions recommendation. Trustee John Scaletta Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

### XIII. LEGAL

A. An Ordinance Fixing the Time and Place for a Approved Public Hearing in Connection with the Amendment to Tax Increment Financing District #4 for the Village of Arlington Heights (Northeast corner of Golf and Arlington Heights Roads)

Mr. Perkins said the Ordinance is necessary because of a newly required Statute to set a time and place for the Joint Review Board and Redevelopment Commission meetings as they consider an amendment to the TIF District. The intention is to change the land use plan from commercial to mixed use.

Keith Moens who asked for the item to be pulled from the Consent Agenda and what exactly was being considered. Mr. Perkins said the Joint Review Board and Redevelopment Commission will discuss the potential land use change, this ordinance just sets the time and place of those meetings. At those meetings, the reasons will be considered. Two recent studies indicated that the shopping center is larger than the market needs. The consideration is to make the land use more flexible to entice more development. Under mixed use, development could be residential, commercial or office.

Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve 2020-041. Trustee Mary Beth Canty Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

B. An Ordinance Abating Taxes Levied for the Year Approved 2020 Heretofore Levied to Pay Principal and Interest on the \$2,855,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series, 2010, of the Village of Arlington Heights

Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve 2020-042. Trustee Bert Rosenberg Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

C. An Ordinance Abating Taxes Levied for the Year Approved 2020 Heretofore Levied to Pay Principal and Interest on the \$9,530,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series, 2018, of the Village of Arlington Heights

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to approve 2020-043. Trustee Bert Rosenberg Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

D. An Ordinance Adopting a Budget and Approved Appropriations Ordinance and Amount Set Forth Therein for the Year Commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31,2021

Trustee Robin LaBedz moved to approve 2020-044. Trustee Richard Baldino Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

E. An Ordinance Providing for the Levy, Approved Assessment and Collection of Taxes for the Year Beginning January 1, 2021 and Ending December 31, 2021 for the Village of Arlington Heights

Trustee Tom Schwingbeck moved to approve 2020-045. Trustee Greg Padovani Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,

Schwingbeck, Tinaglia

#### XIV. REPORT OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

# XV. APPOINTMENTS

### XVI. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

#### XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. Trustee John Scaletta Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Canty, Hayes, LaBedz, Padovani, Rosenberg, Scaletta,