

# MINUTES President and Board of Trustees Village of Arlington Heights Board Room Arlington Heights Village Hall 33 S. Arlington Heights Road Arlington Heights, IL 60005 May 6, 2024

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: Dunnington, Grasse, Baldino, Shirley, LaBedz, Schwingbeck, Bertucci and Tinaglia.

Also present were: Randy Recklaus, Diana Mikula, Hart Passman, Rob Horne, Charles Perkins, Nick Pecora and Becky Hume.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Closed Session 03/18/2024

Approved

Trustee Nicolle Grasse moved to approve. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz, Shirley,

Tinaglia

Abstain: Schwingbeck

B. Committee of the Whole 04/08/2024

Approved

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

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz, Schwingbeck, Shirley,

Tinaglia

Abstain: Bertucci

# C. Village Board 04/15/2024

Approved

Trustee Nicolle Grasse moved to approve. Trustee Jim Tinaglia Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz, Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

Abstain: Baldino, Bertucci

# D. Committee of the Whole 04/29/2024

**Approved** 

Trustee Tom Schwingbeck moved to approve. Trustee Richard Baldino Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley

Abstain: Tinaglia

#### V. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

#### A. Warrant Register 04/30/2024

Approved

Trustee James Bertucci moved to approve in the amount of \$3,713,895.63. Trustee Tom Schwingbeck Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

#### VI. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

President Hayes said Police Chief Harris' son Brett was just called up to the Major Leagues with the Oakland A's after being in their farm system for a few years. Brett hit two home runs in the game on Saturday making franchise history. Congratulations were extended to the Harris family.

## A. Police Department Promotions

President Hayes administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant Valerie Andrews promoting her to Commander.

President Hayes administered the Oath of Office to Officer Patrick

Chejnowski promoting him to Sergeant.

President Hayes administered the Oath of Office to Officer Brian Clarke promoting him to Sergeant.

#### VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

Greg Padovani announced the Memorial Day 105<sup>th</sup> Annual Parade and Ceremony on May 27<sup>th</sup>. President Hayes and Trustee Tinaglia acknowledged Mr. Padovani's continued efforts celebrating our fallen heroes and Memorial Day.

#### IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Report of the Committee of the Whole Meeting Approved of May 6, 2024

Interview of Colin Smith for appointment to the Youth Commission term expiring April 30, 2025

President Hayes administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Smith.

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to concur in the Mayor's appointment. Trustee Tom Schwingbeck Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

B. Report of the Committee of the Whole Meeting Approved of May 6, 2024

Interview of Corinne Drew for appointment to the Senior Citizens Commission term ending April 30, 2025

President Hayes administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Drew.

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to concur in the Mayor's appointment. Trustee Jim Tinaglia Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

C. Report of the Committee of the Whole Meeting Approved

of May 6, 2024

Interview of Gary Wood for appointment to Senior Citizens Commission term ending April 30, 2026

President Hayes administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Wood.

Trustee Robin LaBedz moved to concur in the Mayor's appointment. Trustee Jim Tinaglia Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

D. Report of the Committee of the Whole Meeting Approved of May 6, 2024

Interview of Ellyn Zimmerman for appointment to the Senior Citizens Commission term ending April 30, 2027

President Hayes administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Zimmerman.

Trustee Tom Schwingbeck moved to concur in the Mayor's appointment.

Trustee Wendy Dunnington Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

# X. CONSENT AGENDA

# **CONSENT APPROVAL OF BIDS**

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

A. Thermoplastic Road Striping - Contract Extension 2024

- B. Snowplow Truck Vehicles 2025 Contract Award Approved and Budget Amendment Ordinance Approval
- C. LED Street Light Fixtures 2024 Purchase Approved
- D. Resolution approving ERP System Integration Approved Services Agreement with Velosimo

#### **CONSENT LEGAL**

A. Ordinance - Ford Auxiliary Parking Lot - 580 W. Approved University Dr.

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2024-23. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

B. Ordinance - Code Amendment-Chapter 13- Approved Alcohol Liquor Dealers

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2024-24. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

C. Ordinance - 44 S. Vail Ave. Approved

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2024-25. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

D. Ordinance - Arlington Gateway Development - Approved SE Corner of Arlington Heights Rd & Algonquin Rd.

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2024-26. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

E. Ordinance - Second Amendment to Lease Approved Agreement with Shree Neelkanth, Inc.

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2024-27. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

F. Ordinance Communication Staff Budget Approved Amendment

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2024-28. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

G. Budget Amendment - Police Supervision Approved

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2024-29. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

H. Budget Amendment - Police Crisis Counselor Approved

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2024-30. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

I. Ordinance-Increase Ambulance Billing Rate Approved

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve 2024-31. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

#### CONSENT REPORT OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

#### **CONSENT PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to approve. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley, Tinaglia

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

The Motion: Passed

A. BOND WAIVER - ABC/25 FOUNDATION Approved

B. Bond Waiver - St Edna Church Approved

#### XI. APPROVAL OF BIDS

#### XII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2201 N. Chestnut Ave Townhomes - 2201 N. Approved Chestnut Ave & 315 W. Rand Rd. - PC#23-011 Preliminary Plat of Subdivision, Rezoning from R-1 to R-6 for Lot 2 and R-1 to B-2 for Lot 1, Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Special Use

# Permit to allow Minor Auto Repair on Lot 1, and Variations

Trustee Tinaglia recused himself as his firm represents the petitioner.

Kelle Bruckbauer, the architect, presented the project. The owners are Chris and Nancy Plummer. They are proposing to reconfigure the property to orient the residential property toward Chestnut. Ultimately the commercial portion of the property facing Rand would be improved with more landscaping and improved parking. On the residential side, they are proposing to demolish the single-family home and build townhomes. Traditional materials were used so the building fits into the single-family neighborhood.

Mr. Perkins described the request for a Preliminary Plat of Subdivision, a Rezoning of the lots, an Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan, a Special Use, and modifications to the setbacks. The commercial property is completely paved now so it will be upgraded to improve its aesthetics. There will be new trees planted and the curb cuts will be replaced and consolidated. The parking requirements are exceeded by the new plan. Eleven trees are to be removed on the Chestnut side. Public Works recommends their removal as some are in poor condition and others are not a desired species. The Plan Commission and Staff recommend approval.

Trustee Bertucci asked for clarification on the tree issue. Mr. Perkins explained they are currently on private property. When the lot is dedicated to the Village, the trees would become part of the public right of way, thus ultimately the Village's property. New trees will be planted as part of the project.

Trustee Grasse remarked that she too was concerned about the trees and appreciated their inclusion in the project information as evidence of how much trees matter.

Trustee LaBedz asked how the fire and garbage truck movement would work on the townhome portion of the project. Ms. Bruckbauer said a fire truck is not intended to go into the back. They can get close enough on the street. She was not sure if garbage would be toted to the street by a resident or by a company. It would depend on the size of the receptacles. Trustee LaBedz noted a resident concern regarding a nearby detention pond. Mr. Perkins said the detention basin is maintained; but the grass was longer near the inlets. As it dries out, it will be cut back. He added the garbage and fire trucks can enter the back of the residential site and back out. These vehicles can go through the commercial property without any backward movements.

Trustee Dunnington asked about widening Chestnut. Mr. Perkins explained Chestnut varies in its width between Palatine and Rand. This section will be improved, and the street will taper as it goes south. There is no current

plan to make greater improvements to Chestnut. As other developments come forward, it could be improved. The street falls under the Village's rural street policy so unless the residents request it to be improved through a special assessment, it will stay in that classification. Trustee Dunnington asked if it could be included in the Capital Improvements Survey. Mr. Perkins said residents can request that upgrade, but the street would still fall under the same rural street policy.

Trustee Dunnington asked about the status of the billboard and questioned why it was not being considered for removal. Mr. Perkins explained the billboard is nonconforming billboard which existed prior to the property being annexed into the Village. The Board could consider a schedule to have it decommissioned.

Trustee Schwingbeck asked if the reconstruction of the road and sidewalk is on the developer. Mr. Perkins said yes, noting that IDOT approval is required for Rand Road right of way, Trustee Schwingbeck noted the ingress/egress constraints from Rand Road. He asked how people will access the property. Mr. Perkins described a few wayfinding scenarios. Because it is so close to the Techny intersection, it is not anticipated IDOT will allow changing the movement.

Trustee Baldino said this is a creative way to re-subdivide the lots consistent with their historical use. He asked if the petitioner agreed to the 14 conditions. Mr. Plummer and Mrs. Plummer said yes.

Trustee Shirley brought the conversation back to the billboards. He asked if there were any others in the Village and if these were part of a grandfather policy, or if the Village had asked them to be taken down. Mr. Perkins said the only billboard is at the former racetrack, adjacent to 53. Billboards are prohibited in the Code. This is a non-permitted sign that has been on the property prior to the 1980's.

Trustee Bertucci noted the blacktop will be removed and trees and grasses will be planted in the parkway. It would be nice to have a game plan regarding the billboard. It goes counter to a beautification plan for that corridor. Mr. Perkins said the Board could set a time period where it would be removed. Trustee Bertucci said he would consider that. Trustee Bertucci explained the Board is trying to improve and beautify the corridor so it is competitive with other shopping areas. These actions will improve the property values. Mr. Perkins added there is an engineering firm putting together a plan to submit to IDOT which adds landscaped medians and pedestrian crossings. The gateway signs have just been completed. After being directly asked, Mr. Perkins said he would recommend the billboards be removed within 5-10 years. This gives a timeframe for the property owner to plan for the loss of revenue.

Mr. Plummer said it provides revenue, so they would like to keep it. He is already making many modifications; the billboards are part of his business plan and provide around \$8,000 a year. He added the billboard is under

contract for approximately four more years.

President Hayes explained this may be the only opportunity to rectify the billboard situation on Rand Road. He believes the Board should add a condition with a 5-year time frame. He added that the billboard on Route 53 is a one-off because of its unique location. These issues are addressed on a case by case basis.

Trustee Shirley asked if the Bears' billboard going to come down? Mr. Recklaus said it will be looked at in the context of that development. The current agreement expires June 30th and the Board will have the opportunity to re-consider it. Because it was on a highway and not viewed by any other Village residences or businesses it was deemed different. Trustee Shirley said he thinks being on Route 53 is different. He agreed with allowing 5 years to take the billboard down.

After discussion, the Board agreed to requiring the removal of the billboard within 5 years.

Trustee Wendy Dunnington moved to approve application #23-011 with the conditions recommended by the Plan Commission, with the amendment of condition #3 to require the removal of the billboard on Lot 1 within 5 years. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley

Absent: Tinaglia

XIII. LEGAL

XIV. REPORT OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

XV. APPOINTMENTS

## XVI. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

# **XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Richard Baldino moved to adjourn at 8:47 p.m. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Baldino, Bertucci, Dunnington, Grasse, Hayes, LaBedz,

Schwingbeck, Shirley

Absent: Tinaglia