

Village of La Grange Park
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
July 27, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled July 27, 2021, at 7:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building.

Village President James Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. President Discipio asked all in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. President Discipio then asked Village Clerk Meghan Kooi to call the roll.

Board Members in attendance were *(unless otherwise noted)*:

Trustees: Robert Lautner
Jamie Zaura
Amanda Seidel
Karen Koncel
Michael Sheehan
Jermaine Stewart

Village President: James Discipio

Also in Attendance were:

Village Manager: Julia Cedillo
Assistant Village Manager: Maggie Jarr
Finance Director: Larry Noller
Village Clerk: Meghan Kooi
Village Attorney: Cathy Keating
Village Engineer: Mark Volk
Public Works Director: Rick Radde
Police Chief: Tim Contois
Deputy Building Commissioner: Patrick Boyle
Deputy Chief: Norm Rick

Village Clerk Kooi informed President Discipio that a quorum was present.

Public Participation (Agenda Related Items Only)

There was none.

Consent Agenda

Village Clerk Kooi stated the following items were on the Consent Agenda for approval:

A. *Approval of Minutes*

- i. *Village Board Meeting – June 22, 2021*
- ii. *Special Board Meeting – July 10, 2021*
- iii. *Executive Session Meeting – July 10, 2021*
- iv. *Village Board Work Session Meeting – July 13, 2021*
- v. *Executive Session Meeting – July 13, 2021*

- B. *Action – FY21/22 Sewer Cleaning and Televising – Edwin Hancock Engineering Agreement – Motion: To Approve And Authorize The Village Manager To Execute Agreements Between The Village Of La Grange*

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Park And Edwin Hancock Engineering For Engineering Services In An Amount Not To Exceed \$7,500 For Design And Construction Engineering For The 2021/2022 Sewer Cleaning And Televising Program

- C. *Action – 2021/2022 Sewer Repair Program – Engineering Agreement – Motion: To Approve And Authorize The Village Manager To Execute Agreements Between The Village Of La Grange Park And Edwin Hancock Engineering For Engineering Services In An Amount Not To Exceed \$20,000 For Design And Construction Engineering For The 2021/2022 Sewer Repair Program*
- D. *Action – FY21/22 Sewer Lining Program – Edwin Hancock Engineering Agreement – Motion: To Approve And Authorize The Village Manager To Execute Agreements Between The Village Of La Grange Park And Edwin Hancock Engineering For Engineering Services In An Amount Not To Exceed \$16,000 For Design And Construction Engineering For The 2021/2022 Sewer Lining Project*
- E. *Action – Motion to Authorize the President and Chairperson of the Finance Committee to Sign the Register for Bills, and Authorize the Treasurer and Village Clerk to Sign Checks in Payment of Operating Bills and Salaries as Itemized in the Check Registers*
- F. *Action – Motion to Authorize the Village Treasurer and Village Clerk to Sign Checks in the Payment of Payroll and Other Bills that Become Due Between this Date and the Next Village Board Meeting with Subsequent Approval of the Payroll Register and Voucher Register by the Board of Trustees at its Next Meeting*

The motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Trustee Sheehan. The motion was seconded by Trustee Koncel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Village Manager’s Report

Village Manager Julia Cedillo had one item to report on. Village Staff, in conjunction with the Community Park District of La Grange Park, will be hosting a Coffee at Yena Park on August 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss public safety in the Village. This concluded the Village Manager’s Report.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Karen Koncel read the monthly report for June 2021. This year's National Night Out event will take place over two days with both in person and virtual events. A parade will be held on Monday, August 2, 2021 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and a National Night In event will take place on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The Village is seeking one new member to serve on the Youth Commission. Applications are due by August 6, 2021. Residents are encouraged to sign up for the Village's weekly electronic newsletter ("E-Briefs") to stay up to date on important local news. This concluded the Administration Committee Report.

BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Jamie Zaura read the monthly report for June 2021. Staff participated in a pre-application meeting with Plymouth Place and their design team regarding the East Campus redevelopment. Staff issued the permit for the expansion at Murphy's Transmission and Complete Auto Repair. Staff conducted inspections for the court project that is taking place at Memorial Park. This concluded the Building and Zoning Committee Report.

Trustee Zaura read the Agenda Memo Item Noise Restrictions Exception. Trustee Zaura stated this was something the Village had been approving since 2015, and Chief Contois confirmed that there have been no issues with noise

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complaints. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Zaura made a Motion: To Grant an Exception to the Nuisance Regulations Contained in Section 93.04.C.5 (as amended) of the Village Municipal Code, for the Purpose of Allowing Nazareth Academy to Operate Their Sound System Until 10:00 p.m. on August 27, September 24, October 8, October 15, and October 22, 2021. The motion was seconded by Trustee Koncel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Jermaine Stewart read the monthly report for June 2021. The Village officially awarded the La Grange Road Water Main Replacement Project – Phase 2 to Suburban General Construction. Design work was completed for the 2020 CDBG Grant Paving Program. IDOT and Cook County have approved the project plans and specifications, and a bid date of July 27th was set. Design work is continuing for the MWRD Green Initiative Permeable Pavement Intersection Project. This concluded the Engineering and Capital Projects Committee Report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Amanda Seidel started with the Police Department Summary of Activities for June 2021. Members of the Police Department took part in the annual Illinois Special Olympics Torch Run on June 6, 2021. A new Citizen's Police Academy will start on September 18, 2021. The Citizen's Academy will meet every Saturday from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. until October 23, 2021. There was a friendly reminder about securing one's personal property at all times. Trustee Seidel moved on to the Fire Department Activities for June 2021. Staff participated in the GIS Strategic Alignment meeting, where various strategic goals were discussed regarding the evolving GIS implementation. The majority of staff underwent their annual medical evaluations with the on-site fire service occupational health provider. This concluded the Public Safety Committee report.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Michael Sheehan read the monthly report for June 2021. GIS work continued collecting data on Village owned assets along with training throughout the Village. Water meters were read in Section #3 and 15 monthly bacterial samples were taken. Various water and sewer work orders were completed along with resident tree concerns and general construction inquiries. This concluded the Public Works Committee report.

Trustee Sheehan read the Agenda Memo Item Core & Main Invoice. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Approve Payment of a Core and Main Invoice in the Amount of \$20,150. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lautner and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Trustee Sheehan read the Agenda Memo Item 2021/22 – MFT General Maintenance Resolution. Trustee Lautner thanked staff for the clarification on the Motion after the July's Work Session Meeting. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Adopt a "Resolution For Maintenance Of Streets And Highways By Municipality Under The Illinois Highway Code" For The Expenditure Of \$448,974.00 In MFT Funds. The motion was seconded by Trustee Seidel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Robert Lautner read the Financial Update - As of June 30, 2021. The memo summarized the Village's General Fund financial performance through June 30, 2021, and noted that the Village had completed two months of fiscal year 2022, which began May 1, 2021 and will run through April 30, 2022. This concluded the Finance Committee report.

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OTHER REPORTS

VILLAGE CLERK

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Clerk Kooi had nothing to report.

VILLAGE TREASURER

B. MONTHLY REPORT

Finance Director Larry Noller had nothing to report.

COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE

C. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Stewart read the Commercial Revitalization Report. The Commercial Revitalization Committee (CRC) held a kickoff meeting on July 13, 2021. The Committee reviewed its mission and vision, discussed collaboration between the Village and the La Grange Park Chamber of Commerce, and examined the financial and budget notes for the Village's TIF and Business Development Districts. Staff has continued to work with Dubak Electric and the Village's special counsel to negotiate the terms of an economic incentive for developing the property at 1201 N. Barnsdale Road. There are a few days left to participate in the 2nd Annual La Grange Park Business Scavenger Hunt. This event, hosted by the Chamber of Commerce, is a great way to have fun while supporting local businesses. Punch cards are available for pickup at Village Hall. This concluded the Commercial Revitalization Committee Report.

VILLAGE ENGINEER

D. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Engineer Mark Volk had nothing to report.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

E. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Attorney Cathy Keating had nothing to report.

COMMITTEE AND COLLECTORS REPORT

F. MONTHLY REPORT

There were no other reports. *Trustee Lautner made a motion to approve the Committee and Collector reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT

President Discipio had several items to report on. President Discipio reminded residents that there would be a Coffee at Yena Park on August 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. hosted by Village Staff and the Community Park District of La Grange Park to discuss public safety. President Discipio and Village Manager Cedillo had met with Representative LaShawn Ford and Speaker Welch to discuss the Village's grant applications for the proposed project to address the Village's East side flooding issues. President Discipio read the Proclamation – National Night Out. This concluded the Village President's Report.

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Village residents Mr. Jeremy Vitell and Ms. Mary Rita Ryan addressed the Village Board regarding concerns about public safety in the Village and the TikTok event that had taken place at Memorial Park on July 17, 2021. Ms. Ryan also asked for clarification on how much of the Coronavirus federal funding that was awarded to Cook County would be allocated to the Village. She suggested that the funds be used for repairing sidewalks and streets throughout the community.

Mr. Rick Rius addressed the Village Board regarding the sale of the American Nuclear Society building. He suggested that repurposing that site to single family homes might add to flooding issues with the added drainage. Village Manager Cedillo stated she would contact him regarding his concerns.

President Discipio thanked everyone for the public participation. He stated that La Grange Park is a great community, and he would not tolerate any disrespect directed towards the community or the Staff who work for it. The event at Memorial Park had not involved gang members and President Discipio stated that using inflammatory rhetoric was not warranted. Members of the Police Department had been present at the event and had not experienced any issues with the attendees.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Since there was no further business to be brought before the Village Board, President Discipio stated he would entertain a motion to adjourn. *Trustee Sheehan made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Seidel and passed unanimously by voice vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Meghan Kooi
Village Clerk