

Village of La Grange Park
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2023

The Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled January 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building.

Village President Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. President Discipio asked all in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Discipio asked Village Clerk Kooi to call the roll.

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

Trustees:	Robert Lautner Jamie Zaura Karen Koncel Michael Sheehan Jermaine Stewart Juan Silva
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Village President:	James Discipio
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Also in Attendance were:

Village Manager:	Julia Cedillo
Assistant Village Manager:	Maggie Jarr
Village Clerk:	Meghan Kooi
Village Attorney:	Cathy Keating
Village Engineer:	Mark Volk
Public Works Supervisor:	John Jandak
Police Chief:	Tim Contois
Director of Building and Fire:	Dean Maggos
Village Engineer:	Mark Lucas

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

President Discipio stated he would entertain a motion to move into Closed Session. *Trustee Lautner made a Motion: To Move Into Closed Session For The Purpose of Discussing Pending or Threatened Litigation According to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11). The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Meeting moved into Closed Session at 7:05 p.m.

The Village Board Meeting reconvened to Open Session at 7:32 p.m.

Presentation Of The FY2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

A representative from Forvis, LLP reviewed the FY2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. Topics included the audit opinion, water and sewer fund, and statistical analysis.

Public Participation (Agenda Related Items Only)

Residents Michael Bogart, Abby Cook, Donna Twickler Mark Cook, Rick Oland, Roger Huddleston, Patty Conway, and Debbie Drolenga addressed the Village Board with their concerns for the planned demolition and repurposing of the American Nuclear Society. Concerns included overcrowding in schools, the change to the overall look of the village, and storm water runoff. Several residents requested a delay in the vote on the motion. Residents also submitted written comments to the Village via email. Mr. Herb Massin spoke in favor of the proposed development that will replace the American

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Nuclear Society. Bill from Bill's Place spoke to the Board regarding his concerns about comments that were made about his establishment during the January Work Session meeting. Mr. Gregory Adams addressed the Village Board in opposition to the idea of video gaming in the village.

Consent Agenda

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

- A. *Approval of Minutes*
 - i. *Village Board Meeting – November 22, 2022*
 - ii. *Closed Session – November 22, 2022*
 - iii. *Village Board Meeting – December 13, 2022*
 - iv. *Village Board Work Session – January 10, 2023*
- B. *Action – Video Gaming Ordinance – Motion: To Uphold Ordinance 914, An Ordinance Prohibiting Video Gaming For The Village Of La Grange Park*
- C. *Action - Accounts Payable and Payroll Summary - Motion (1) 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 and Motion (2) to Authorize the Village Treasurer and Village Clerk The motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Trustee Koncel. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lautner and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Approve the Consent Agenda as Presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lautner and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Village Manager's Report

Village Manager Cedillo provided information regarding the Village's application to CMAP's Call for Change ADA Self-Evaluation. This concluded the Village Manager's Report.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Koncel read the monthly report for December 2022. The Village is hosting a State of the Village reception on Monday, February 6, from 5:00-6:30 p.m. at Posto 31. Village offices will be closed on Monday, February 20 in observance of Presidents' Day. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, February 21 at 9:00 am. This concluded the Administration Committee Report.

Trustee Koncel read the Agenda Memo Item Travel Expenses For the IML Legislative Conference & Inauguration. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Koncel made a Motion: (1) To Approve Travel Expenses In The Amount Of \$186.67 For Attending The 2022 IML Legislative Conference in Chicago, Illinois. (2) To Approve Travel Expenses in the Amount Of \$192.66 For Attending The Inauguration Ceremony in Springfield, Illinois. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Zaura read the monthly report for December 2022. The asphalt paving and repairs on the neighboring pavement were completed for Andy's. Staff met with the property manager of the Village Market and owners of Alphabet Learning

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Center regarding concerns related to an exit corridor for the new daycare. This concluded the Building and Zoning Committee Report.

President Discipio read a prepared statement regarding the 555 N. Kensington Avenue Subdivision Request.

Trustee Zaura read the Agenda Memo Item 555 N. Kensington Avenue – Subdivision Request (Case #22-0009). Trustee Koncel voiced her support for the project and cited the outstanding reputation of McNaughton Development. Trustees Stewart, Silva, and Lautner expressed disappointment that the building would have to come down, but reinforced the position that the village was in regarding the decision on the proposed motion. Trustee Zaura encouraged residents to reach out directly to McNaughton Developers with their concerns. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Zaura made a Motion: To Approve An Ordinance Approving A Plat Of Subdivision For 555 N. Kensington Avenue – Case #22-0009 The motion was seconded by Trustee Koncel and passed by a vote of 5 to 1. Trustee Zaura voted against the motion.*

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Stewart read the monthly report for December 2022. M&J Asphalt Paving Co. completed construction on the 26th Street Resurfacing Project between Kemman Ave. and Maple Ave. Work on the 2022 MFT Patching Program was started by M&J Asphalt Paving Co., Inc. This concluded the Engineering and Capital Projects Committee Report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Silva started with the Police Department Summary of Activities for December 2022. The La Grange Park Police Department continues to contract a part time Police Social Worker through Presence Health to assist in following up with incidents that involved Domestic Issues, Elder Care, Juvenile Runaways and Mental Health issues. Many special events and community based programs will continue in 2023. National Night Out, Shop with a Cop, Citizen Police Academy, Coffee with Police Department Staff, Illinois Special Olympic fundraising events along with many more programs. There was a friendly reminder about securing one's personal property, at all times. Trustee Silva reviewed the Fire Department Activities for December 2022. The Fire Chief conducted career day presentations for 5th graders at Forest Rd. School. Staff conducted a new hire orientation session for potential new POC firefighters. This past Saturday the FD delivered Santa to the Ace Hardware Holiday event. This concluded the Public Safety Committee report.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Sheehan read the monthly report for December 2022. GIS work has continued collecting data on village owned assets along with continued training throughout the village. Water meters were read in Section #2. 15 monthly bacterial water 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 2022/2023 Sewer Cleaning and Televising Project. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Approve A Contract With National Power Rodding Corp. For A “Not To Exceed” Amount Of \$57,000.00 For The 2022/2023 Sewer Cleaning And Television Program and To Authorize The Village Manager To Execute The Contract Documents. The motion was seconded by Trustee Koncel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Presentation – Sewer Rate Review

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Village Engineer Mark Lucas presented the Village Board with updated information on the Sewer Rate Review.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Lautner read the Financial Update - As of December 31, 2022. The memo summarized the Village's General Fund financial performance through December 31, 2022 and noted that the village had completed 7 months of fiscal year 2023, which began May 1, 2022 and will run through April 30, 2023. This concluded the Finance Committee report.

Trustee Lautner read the Agenda Memo Item Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Lautner made a Motion: To Accept The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report For The Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2022. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

OTHER REPORTS

VILLAGE CLERK

A. MONTHLY REPORT

There was nothing to report.

VILLAGE TREASURER

B. MONTHLY REPORT

There was nothing to report.

COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE

C. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Stewart read the Commercial Revitalization Report. The new Andy's Frozen Custard located at 531 N. La Grange Road opened on January 18. The Village Market Streetscape Improvement Plan is in the final phase of development. The La Grange Park Chamber of Commerce will be hosting "Run for the Roses," a SK race for runners and walkers, on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14. 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 voice vote.*

VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT

President Discipio stated he attended the Inauguration of Illinois House Speaker Welch on January 11, 2023.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (NON-AGENDA RELATED ITEMS ONLY)

There was none.

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 Lautner made a Motion: To Adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by voice vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Meghan M. Kooi
Village Clerk