

Village of La Grange Park
Village Work Session Minutes
May 11, 2021

A Work Session Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled on May 11, 2021 at 7:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building.

Village President Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. President Discipio asked all in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. He then asked Village Clerk Kooi to call the roll.

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

Trustees:	James Kucera Robert Lautner Jamie Zaura Amanda Seidel (absent) Karen Koncel Michael Sheehan
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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 Engineer:	Mark Volk
Village Attorney:	Cathy Keating
Public Works Director:	Rick Radde
Police Chief:	Tim Contois
Fire Chief/Building Director:	Dean Maggos
Finance Director:	Larry Noller

Recognition of Outgoing Trustee James P. Kucera

President Discipio recognized outgoing Trustee James P. Kucera and thanked him for his eight years of service on the Village Board. President Discipio stated it had been an honor to work with Trustee Kucera and presented him with a plaque commemorating his service to the Village of La Grange Park.

Installation and Oath of Newly Elected Officials

President Discipio conducted the swearing in of Village Clerk Meghan Kooi. Village Clerk Kooi conducted the swearing in of President James L. Discipio, Trustee Karen Koncel, Trustee Jamie Zaura, and Trustee Jermaine Stewart.

Public Participation (Agenda and Non-Agenda Related)

Ms. Mary O'Dowd addressed the Village Board regarding concerns about potential sewer line repair costs at her mother's residence on Catherine Avenue in La Grange Park. Ms. O'Dowd requested clarification on the Village's potential responsibility in payment of the sewer line damage and expected repairs. President Discipio thanked Ms. O'Dowd for her comments and stated Village Manager Julia Cedillo and Public Works Director Rick Radde would be in contact with her regarding the issue. Mr. John Chadwick addressed the Village Board regarding a letter distributed throughout the community by Ms. Anne Bennet and his concerns about Trustee Koncel's reaction to it. President Discipio read written comments that were submitted by residents Ms. Patricia Kushner and Ms. Mary Dolan detailing their concerns about the La Grange Park Public Library Board decision to award their reconstruction contract to 845 Design Group. President Discipio read a written submission by Ms. Anne Bennett detailing her concerns about Trustee Koncel's reaction to the letter distributed to residents by Ms. Bennet along with past social media posts Ms. Bennett found concerning.

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Public Safety Committee

Trustee Jamie Zaura read the Agenda Memo Item Purchase of a 2021 Police Interceptor. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Zaura made a Motion: To authorize staff to purchase a new 2021 Ford Interceptor Utility (Police Patrol Package), for a cost of \$33,086.00, from Currie Motors Fleet, in Frankfort, IL, through the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative Contract #152 with a not to exceed amount of \$45,000.00 to cover the equipment and up fitting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Koncel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Finance Committee Items

Trustee Robert Lautner read the Agenda Memo Item ERP Software Annual Maintenance and Support. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Lautner made a Motion: To approve payment to BS&A Software for annual maintenance and support in the amount of \$21,475. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Other Reports

President Discipio called upon Village Manager Julia Cedillo for a report. There was nothing to report.

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President Discipio had several items to report on. President Discipio read the Agenda Memo Item Commission Appointments. *At the end of the discussion, President Discipio stated he would entertain a Motion to Approve the Board and Commission Appointments. Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Approve Board and Commission Appoints as follows: i. Planning & Zoning Commission: Jim Lee and Robert Bartholomai reappointed to the commission for five (5) year terms expiring in 2026. Drew McElligott appointed new to fill a vacancy with a term expiring in 2026. ii. Board of Police Commissioners: Tim Albores reappointed to a three (3) year term expiring in 2024. iii. Police Pension Fund Board: Christopher O’Hea re-appointed to a two (2) year term expiring in 2023. iv. Sustainability Commission: Laura McAllister appointed new to fill a vacancy with a term expiring in 2022. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lautner and passed unanimously by roll call vote.* President Discipio then addressed the recent comments received by residents regarding Village Board conduct. President Discipio stated all public business is conducted in the open for Village residents to see and all elected officials should refrain from actions that reflect poorly on the Village Board. President Discipio stated the Village Board Trustees are great people who care for their community, and the Village Board will always strive to communicate with its residents as best as they can. President Discipio encouraged all residents to reach out to him with comments, questions, or concerns regarding anything that happens in the Village.

New Business

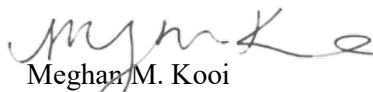
There was none.

Adjourn

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 roll call vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Meghan M. Kooi
Village Clerk