

Village of La Grange Park
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
July 25, 2023

The Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled to be held on July 25, 2023 in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building.

Village President Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:30 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
Joseph Caputo

Village President: James Discipio

Also in Attendance were:

Village Manager:	Julia Cedillo
Deputy Village Manager:	Maggie Jarr
Village Clerk:	Meghan Kooi
Village Attorney:	Cathy Keating
Village Engineer:	Mark Lucas
Public Works Director:	Rick Raddee
Police Chief:	Tim Contois
Director of Fire and Emergency Management:	Dean Maggos
Director of Building and Inspectional Services:	Kryz Kociolek

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

Public Participation (Agenda Related Items)

Mr. Kenny addressed the Village Board to thank the Fire Department and Police Department for helping his family through a fire that broke out at his son's house in the village. He stated that the first responders and Chief Maggos did an outstanding job of addressing the house fire and helping his son's family through the difficult situation.

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 27, 2023*
- ii. Village Board Closed Session Meeting – June 27, 2023*
- iii. Village Board Work Session Meeting – July 11, 2023*

- B. 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)*

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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

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

Village Manager's Report

Village Manager Cedillo had one item to report on. Village Manager Cedillo introduced Mr. Larry Noller who accepted the position of Finance Director with the Village. Mr. Noller comes from his position as the Finance Director for the City of Glen Ellyn and previously had worked at the Village of La Grange Park as the Finance Director. This concluded the Village Manager's Report.

Trustee Lautner made a Motion: To Appoint Larry Noller as Finance Director and Village Treasurer, Effective July 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Trustee Koncel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Village Clerk Kooi conducted the swearing in of Mr. Noller.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Koncel read the monthly report for June 2023. From May 15 through September 15, residents and businesses are reminded to conserve water and follow the Village's seasonal watering restrictions. Residents are encouraged 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.

Trustee Koncel read the Agenda Memo Item Appointment of IMRF Authorized Agent. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Koncel made a Motion: To Approve a Resolution Appointing an IMRF Authorized Agent. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lautner and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Zaura read the monthly report for June 2023. Site development work at the former American Nuclear Society Building site is nearing completion, and the construction of new single-family homes at Kensington Place will be starting in the coming days. The demolition permit for the site of the new Aldi store project has been issued and work is scheduled to begin shortly. This concluded the Building and Zoning Committee Report.

Trustee Zaura read the Agenda Memo Item Proposed Zoning Text Amendments – Generators. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Zaura made a Motion: To Approve An Ordinance Granting A Zoning Text Amendment To Allow Generators To Be Placed In The Interior Side Yard (Case #23-0010). The motion was seconded by Trustee Stewart and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Trustee Zaura read the Agenda Memo Item Variation Requests for 902 W. Oak Avenue – Beach Oak Park. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Zaura made a Motion: To Approve An Ordinance Granting Variations for 902 W. Oak Avenue – Beach Oak Park (Case #23-0013). The motion was seconded by Trustee Lautner and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

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ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Stewart read the monthly report for June 2023. Unique Plumbing Co. continued work on the Park Road Water Main Replacement Project. Design work has begun for the Harrison Ave. and Morgan Ave. Resurfacing Project. This concluded the Engineering and Capital Projects Committee Report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Caputo started with the Police Department Summary of Activities for June 2023. The Board of Police Commissioners interviewed all candidates that passed the written test phase of the police officer hiring process and compiled a list based on scores. The police department has begun the process of filling vacancies from that list. The upcoming National Night Out event will take place on Tuesday, August 1st from 6 - 9 p.m. at Memorial Park. Follow the Police Department on our social media platforms and Village website for further details. There was a friendly reminder about securing one's personal property, at all times. Trustee Caputo reviewed the Fire Department Activities for June 2023. Personnel conducted CPR training for 22 members of the Park District and one member of LTACC. Personnel conducted various training exercises at the Village Market building, which is scheduled for demo, including a joint training session on search and rescue with the Western Springs FD. Personnel attended Haz-Mat training at Brookfield Zoo, as various chemicals are used in maintaining aquatic life support systems, the power plant, the animal hospital, fleet services and for other activities. This concluded the Public Safety Committee report.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Sheehan read the monthly report for June 2023. GIS work has continued collecting data on village owned assets along with continued training throughout the village. Water meters were read in Section #3. 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 Multiple Change Orders – Park Road Water Main Replacement Project. Trustees voiced frustrations regarding the costs that village was incurring due to the unfunded state mandate.

At the end of the discussion, Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Approve Change Order #1 With Unique Plumbing Company, In the Amount Of \$16,399.55 for Storm Sewer Pipe Relocations. The motion was seconded by Trustee Koncel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Approve Change Order #2 with Unique Plumbing Company, In The Amount of \$13,231.37 For Water Service Tapping Sleeves. The motion was seconded by Trustee Zaura and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Approve Change Order #3 With Unique Plumbing Company, In the Amount Of \$136,000.00 For Lead Service Line Replacements. The motion was seconded by Trustee Zaura and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

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Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Approve Change Order #4 With Unique Plumbing Company, In The Amount Of \$3,028.00 for Emergency Water Main Break Repair. The motion was seconded by Trustee Koncel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Lautner read the Financial Update - As of June 30, 2023. The memo summarized the Village's General Fund financial performance through May 31, 2023 and noted that the village had completed 2 months of fiscal year 2023, which began May 1, 2023 and will run through April 30, 2024. This concluded the Finance Committee report.

Trustee Lautner read the Agenda Memo Item Authorized Signers for Village Financial Accounts. At the end of the discussion, Trustee Lautner made a Motion(s): *(1) To Approve An Ordinance Designating Village Depositories And Investment Institutions and Authorized Signers For The Village Of La Grange Park (2) To Approve Fifth Third Bank Multi-Product Resolution. The motion was seconded by Trustee Zaura 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 Illinois Department of Transportation is undergoing a Statewide Active Transportation Plan to create a vision and identify measures to improve walking and biking infrastructure throughout the state. The project includes various community engagement activities to hear from residents with the goal of understanding the current conditions of walking and biking in the state and identifying needs of Illinois residents. La Grange Park residents can take IDOT's survey online and also indicate the locations of safety or connectivity concerns on an interactive map. Visit the idotillinois.gov for more information. The next Commercial Revitalization Committee meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 22 at 6:00 p.m. at Village Hall. This concluded the Commercial Revitalization Committee Report.

VILLAGE ENGINEER

D. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Engineer Mark Lucas had nothing to report.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

E. MONTHLY REPORT

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Village Attorney Cathy Keating had nothing to report.

COMMITTEE AND COLLECTORS REPORT

F. MONTHLY REPORT

There were no other reports. *Trustee Zaura 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 read the Proclamation – National Night Out 2023. President Discipio also congratulated Chief Contois and the Police Department on their successful car show that was held at Memorial Park. President Discipio and Village Manager Cedillo also attended the IML Conference over the previous weekend which proved to be a successful outing.

Discussion Only – Taft Lobbyist Proposal

Village Trustees discussed the possibility of village staff hiring a lobbyist to work for the village. All Trustees agreed a lobbyist would ease the burden of staff time working on such issues, but all Trustees requested several options for lobbyists to potentially hire. Village Manager Cedillo stated village staff would provide Trustees with a list of 2-3 options for the position.

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 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Meghan M. Kooi
Village Clerk