# Village of La Grange Park **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

September 26, 2023

The Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled to be held on September 26, 2023 in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building.

Village President Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. President Discipio asked all in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Discipio asked Village Deputy Clerk Bakalich 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: Deputy Village Clerk: Maggie Jarr (Absent)

Village Attorney:

Sandy Bakalich **Cathy Keating** 

Village Engineer:

Mark Lucas

Public Works Director: Police Chief: Rick Radde **Tim Contois** 

Director of Fire and Emergency Management:

Dean Maggos

Director of Building and Inspectional Services:

Kryz Kociolek

Village Deputy Clerk Bakalich informed President Discipio that a quorum was present.

# Swearing-In of Paid-On-Call Firefighters: John Akalaitis and Michael Clapsaddle

Deputy Clerk Bakalich swore in the paid-on-call firefighters. Family members pinned the newly sworn in firefighters.

# Public Participation (Agenda Related Items)

None.

#### **Consent Agenda**

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

- A. Approval of Minutes
  - Village Board Meeting August 22, 2023 i.
  - Village Board Work Session Meeting, September 12, 2023 ii.
- 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

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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 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 Zaura and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

## Village Manager's Report

Village Manager Cedillo had two items to report on. She thanked all those who participated and attended the La Grange Park Chamber of Commerce's Chili Cook-Off and noted that the Village's Senior Planner Derek Rockwell took second place in the contest. The event was very well attended and a lot of fun.

She also mentioned that she and President Discipio attended IML Board of Directors Conference in Chicago over the weekend and benefitted from seminars on many important topics. She mentioned several topics that were discussed including the IML Veto Session Agenda, House Bill 2507 (Property Tax Omnibus) and the amendatory Veto issued by the Governor, Paid Leave for All Act, House Bill 498 & House Bill 499 (Tier 2 Pension Benefits) and the new Water Supply Loan Program.

# **ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

A. MONTHLY REPORT

#### **BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE**

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Zaura read the Agenda Memo Item: Variation Request For 507 E. Woodlawn Avenue – Jewel Food Stores, Inc. At the end of the discussion, she made a motion To Approve An Ordinance Granting Variations For 507 E. Woodlawn Avenue Sought By Jewel Food Stores, Inc. And Woodman Of The World (Case No. 23-0016. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

## **ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE**

A. MONTHLY REPORT

### PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Sheehan read the Agenda Memo Item: 2023 Leaf Loading, Transportation, And Disposal. After the discussion, he made a motion To Enter Into A Contract With Landscape Material & Firewood Sales, Inc. For The Disposal Of Leaves At \$900.00 Per Truckload And Not To Exceed \$36,000, And To Authorize The Village

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Manager To Execute The Necessary Contract Documents. The motion was seconded by Trustee Koncel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Trustee Sheehan then read the Agenda Item: Electric Supply Bids – Water Plant, Street Lighting And Additional Accounts. At the end of the discussion, he made a motion To Approve A Contract With AEP Energy For Electrical Energy Supply For Several Village Accounts With A 3-Year Contract Backed By 100% Green Energy, And Allow The Village Manager To Execute The Necessary Documents. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lautner and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

# FINANCE COMMITTEE

#### A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Lautner read the Financial Update - As of August 31, 2023. The memo summarized the Village's General Fund financial performance through August 31, 2023 and noted that the village had completed 4 months of fiscal year 2023, which began May 1, 2023 and will run through April 30, 2024. This concluded the Finance Committee report.

# **OTHER REPORTS**

VILLAGE CLERK

A. MONTHLY REPORT

There was nothing to report.

VILLAGE TREASURER

B. MONTHLY REPORT

There was nothing to report.

## COMMERCIAL REVITILIZATION COMMITTEE

### C. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Stewart read the Commercial Revitalization Report. The report discussed that the opportunity to give input to IDOT on their Survey and Interactive Map was coming to an end on September 30<sup>th</sup>. The report also invited everyone to attend the next Commercial Revitalization Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 10, 2023 to provide input on how the Village can best support new and existing business and enhance the commercial areas in La Grange Park.

VILLAGE ENGINEER

D. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Engineer Mark Lucas had nothing to report.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

E. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Attorney Cathy Keating had nothing to report.

COMMITTEE AND COLLECTORS REPORT

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

# VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT

President Discipio reported that the Village met with the Park District as well as Jewel to discuss various topics. He also thanked the Police Department on all of the hard work that went into their annual Burger Bash.

# 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 enter into a Closed Session meeting for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body in accordance with 5ILCS120/2(c)(1), not to return to open session until the next regularly scheduled meeting of October 10, 2023. The motions was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Bakalich
Deputy Village Clerk