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VILLAGE BOARD

REGULAR WORKSHOP MEETING

Municipal Building: 2121 W. Lake Street
Hanover Park, IL 60133

Thursday, January 5, 2012
6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Craig called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll:

PRESENT

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

Trustees: Kemper, Kunkel, Zimel, Konstanzer, Roberts,

Trustees: Cannon

Village Manager Ron Moser, Village Attorney Paul, and
Department Heads.

3. AGENDA ITEM REVIEW

Village Manager, Ron Moser, apologized for the delay in presenting the agreement for property management item 6-A.8 on the agenda. Mayor Craig requested that the major points be highlighted.

4. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

None

5. DISCUSSION TOPICS

None

6. STAFF UPDATES

a. Chickens in Village

Village Manager, Ron Moser, spoke on raising chickens. Resident brought forward the issue who had been cited by code enforcement, after going to court the judge referred her back to the Village. Follow up research by Public Works Director, Howard Killian, found that our current code provides that it is not legal to allow chickens to be raised in the Village. There are 25 cities that have permitted urban chicken raising. The City of Evanston currently allows chicken coops. Evanston has licensing fees for a hen coop, they limit the number of hens to no less than 2 and no more than 6 hens and they define the structures that they are required to have. Evanston also requires that the applicant be registered with the Illinois Department of Agriculture as well as other provisions. The city of Crystal Lake also examined this issue and Public Works Director, Howard

Killian, spoke on this. Howard Killian informed that the city of Crystal Lake did not pursue the issue after the motion died at the council meeting. Howard Killian would like to close up the issue one way or another to move on. Mayor Craig expressed he is not an advocate of agriculture in an urban environment. Clerk Corral asked if the resident was informed that the issue was going to be brought to the board tonight, Howard Killian informed that he did not inform the resident directly and informed that the resident has had the chickens in her home for almost a year. Clerk Corral stated that she spoke to the resident who is a veterinarian, works at a sustainability farm and uses her chickens as a learning experience for her children and her neighbors. Her chicken coop is well kept, there are regulations in other communities that insure that something like this will be well kept. Mayor Craig considers the matter dead.

b. Resident Sanitary Sewer Line Responsibility Options

Village Manager, Ron Moser, informed that residents have approached the board with concerns on the resident sanitary sewer line responsibility. Staff has reviewed current code and discussed options for consideration to the board.

c. Church Street TIF Assistance

Village Manager, Ron Moser, informed about the Liquor and Wine store that is interested in receiving tax incentives. Community Development Director, Patrick Grill, informed that he has not received a response form the prospective business owner regarding the tax incentive but the owner is still interested.

d. Building Code Report

Village Manager, Ron Moser, spoke about the vacant building that was previously the Menards store. Current building code has local amendment so that is above the standard. Hanover Park adopted these amendments due to situations encountered by Fire Department in recent incidents. Prospective builder, Northwest Housing Partnership, would like to build affordable senior housing. Northwest Housing has requested a waiver of Hanover Park building codes. Chief Haigh noted that staff worked with the builders and reviewed code standards of comparable community. Comparable communities have codes, which standards would not allow building to take place by the proposal submitted by the builders. Recommendation to not accept the current proposal was given by Chief Haigh. The Village is open to discussing alternatives that meet the intent of the code. Mayor Craig noted that they met with the principals and mentioned that TIF funds could be used, builders presumed TIF funds would be used for other parts of project. Mayor Craig will call the principals to state our position.

Village Manager, Ron Moser, reviewed property management agreement on 6-A.8

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Zimel, seconded by Trustee Kemper to adjourn.

Voice Vote: All Ayes.

Motion carried: Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Recorded and transcribed by,

Eira L. Corral /s/
Village Clerk

Minutes approved by President and Board of Trustees on this: 19th day of January, 2012.