

MEETING: SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
VILLAGE OF HANOVER PARK

DATE: OCTOBER 15, 2009
LOCATION: MUNICIPAL BUILDING
2121 West Lake Street
Hanover Park, IL 60133

President Craig called the Special Meeting of the Board with the Village Manager and Heads of Departments to Order at 6:13 P.M.

PRESENT: Trustees, Rick Roberts, Edward J. Zimel Jr, Bill Cannon,
and President Rodney Craig

ABSENT: Trustees Lori Kaiser, Joseph Nicolosi, and Toni L. Carter

ALSO PRESENT: Corporation Counsel Bernard J. Paul, Village Manager
Ron Moser and Department Heads

President Craig opened with Agenda Item review. He explained that the Village has evolved to the Consent Agenda and that the items placed on the Consent Agenda would be identified on the Agenda with a (C.A.) located after the Agenda Item.

President Craig informed them that Item 4-A.2 would be removed from the Agenda and rescheduled for a later date due to an illness.

President Craig informed that he would be adding a Breast Cancer Proclamation to the Agenda.

Village Manager informed the President that regarding Item 6-A.6 the auditor would be present to answer any questions that the Board might have.

Warrant questions were fielded for Warrant SW 117 and SW 611. Warrant SW 117 and SW 611 were approved to be moved to Consent Agenda.

President Craig asked for consensus to the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Canon asked that Item 6-A.2 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

President Craig removed Item 4-A.2 from the Consent Agenda.

President Craig added the Proclamation for Breast Cancer Awareness.

President Craig turned the meeting over to Village Manager Moser for Informational Budget Items discussion. Village Manager Moser handed out a document listing items for elected officials to discuss with staff and provide direction.

President Craig then asked each Trustee individually for their comments regarding Budget input for FY 2011.

Trustee Cannon had the following comments and recommendations:

- Make staffing of the Police Department as best as can be and provide them the tools they need.
- Continue with the annual inspection program to help increase property values
- Strengthen Community Involvement & Participation
 - Branding through communication very important
 - Would like to see electronic message boards in front of Village Hall, Fire Station and on DuPage side with information on what is going on at Village Hall.
- Preserve financial stability – May have more on this goal at a later date
- Continue with staff training
- Support environmental initiatives – For this if cost effective

Trustee Zimel had the following comments and recommendations:

- Public Safety – Getting to 61 officers in Police Department is important.
- Commercial code enforcement – focus on signage and facades
- Contracts – should have 3-10% of local businesses as part of bidding process

Trustee Rick Roberts had the following comments and recommendations:

- Beautification projects
- Improve Public Safety to help increase property values
- Parade

Clerk Corral had the following comments and recommendations:

- Add goal – Strengthen communications and customer service with residents
- Push marketing and branding
 - Ensure others are aware of our mission and goals
- Improve public safety
 - by adding personnel to PD
 - Fire Dept. and Police Dept. safety – more outreach and prevention programs
- Special Events
 - Work with other departments to be more efficient
 - Use events as a way to communicate
 - Other departments should have a role
- Development of FOIA
 - As of January 1st, cannot charge for copies
 - Streamline process and point in direction of sending FOIAs electronically
 - Include in budgetary process
- Would like to see more screens in Village Hall budgeted

- Newsletter – Accessible in additional languages

President Craig had the following comments and recommendations:

- Public Safety – Staffing of 61 officers in the Police Department over the next four years
- Institute in-school awareness activities for gang awareness
- Crime prevention – increase foot patrols
- Quality of life – build on commercial code enforcement
- Improve on rental residential program
- Community Pride –
 - Develop Special Events committee
 - Maintain green space (sod farm is key)
- Youth Initiatives
 - Get involved with Kids at Hope
 - Work with Hanover Park Park Foundation on programs
- Intergovernmental Cooperation
 - Work together for resources
 - PBIS Program
- See more come through the Environmental Committee and build on it.
- Engineering
 - Overhead sewers
 - Sidewalk Program
 - Depressed Driveways
- Ensure no new tax dollars and revenue is stable
- Reach out with lobbying. Need lobbying on floor and more red light camera support.

Village Manager Moser was then seeking comments on the items he brought forth related to FY 2011 budget.

President Craig asked for comments regarding the Police Building Project.

Trustee Roberts would like more information regarding this topic. He said it is something that we need to accomplish but stated that we need to be fiscally responsible.

Trustee Cannon understands the need for it because of current limited space. He stated the longer we wait to accomplish this, the more expensive it becomes. He does not believe that it needs to be as grand as the original drawings and feels that there is no need for the community room. Most importantly he is concerned on the impact on residents. He mentioned that if this is built as a “green” building that we could recoup up to \$500,000 in funds.

Trustee Zimel would like to view the revised plans. He is also focusing on saving tax payers money.

Trustee Corral stated that she thinks the community room is a very important

part of the plans.

President Craig asked that Staff continue the process and to move ahead with the project.

President Craig then turned the discussion towards video poker. He would like to wait to set anything in place until the Gaming Commission sets the rules in place. He requested that Village Manager review Addison and Carol Stream's ordinance regarding this issue and then draft a similar ordinance for review.

The Board reached a consensus to approve an ordinance to prohibit Video Gaming until State regulations were set in place.

President Craig then moved to the next topic, Discretionary Fund for Elected Officials, and asked Trustees for comments.

The Board discussed the issue and reached a Consensus against the Discretionary Fund for Elected officials.

President Craig then moved to the next topic, Lobbying Services, and everyone agreed that they were in favor of this topic.

President Craig then moved to the next topic, Engineering/Public Works Projects. He is in favor of a contingency fund for Engineering/Public Works Projects.

The board was supportive.

Trustee Cannon asked to share information that he attended the NW Municipal Conference meeting the night before and it was discussed how fire departments and police departments are sharing the burden with funding their pension funds. Also, a lot of information was shared regarding the H1N1 virus. He will forward details of both of these items to Village Manager Moser.

Trustee Zimel questioned how the SURRI program is progressing regarding tax information. Village Manager Moser responded that Pat Hamill is reporting to the townships.

Trustee Zimel referenced budget preparation and asked Department Heads to take heed is what they are asking for.

Village Manager said their report would be provided to the Board at the November 5, 2009 meeting.

Motion for adjournment by Trustee Zimel and seconded by Trustee Roberts.

All Ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Recorded and transcribed by,

Eira L. Corral
Village Clerk

Minutes approved by President and Board of Trustees on this ____ day of _____, 2009.

Village President