

August 25th, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at the Village of Hainesville Council Chambers by Mayor Gerry Daley at 6:30 p.m.

Village Deputy Clerk Roseann Stark took roll call. The following Officials were present: Mayor Gerry Daley, Trustees George Duberstein, Kriese, Koval, Derenoski and Georgeann Duberstein

Absent: Trustee Chynoweth

Establishment of quorum:

Agenda Approval:

Trustee Derenoski moved, seconded by Trustee Georgeann Duberstein to approve the agenda.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees George Duberstein, Kriese, Koval, Derenoski, and Georgeann Duberstein -5 Motion carried.

Public comments:

There were no public comments.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the June 23, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Ratify the July 28th, 2020 Bills Payable for \$272,189.65
3. Approval of the August 25th, 2020 Bills Payable for \$318,932.76
4. Approval of the April 2020 Financial Statements
5. Approval of the May 2002 Financial Statements
6. Approval of the June 2020 Financial Statements
7. Approval of the July 2020 Financial Statements

Trustee Derenoski moved, seconded by Trustee Koval to approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees George Duberstein, Kriese, Koval, Derenoski, and Georgeann Duberstein -5 Motion carried.

Reports and Communications from Mayor and other Officers:

Finance – Discussion of a salary increase for Mayor

Mayor excused himself at 6:32 p.m.

Trustee Derenoski stated that this increase would not take place until after the next election in May 2021. It has been 8 years since the last raise when it went from \$12,000 to \$18,000 a year. The stipend is still in place. All were in agreement that the Mayor position should receive the increase of \$2,000 a year.

Mayor Daley returned to the council chambers at 6:37 p.m.

Public Works

Trustee Kriese met with Mike DePouw and discussed the work and cost needed in the 4 acres by Cranberry Lake North to remove trees and buckthorn. They also discussed Halloween, tree trimming and when they will receive the truck that was purchased earlier in the year. The Mayor added that he is trying to negotiate an extended maintenance. They are also looking at a new electrical company to do the generator preventive maintenance among other things because the Mayor never heard back from Chris Electric regarding the service agreement.

Trustee Kriese read Mike's report as follows:

- Peter Baker & Son completed the road re-surfacing project for this year. I had the pleasure of working with Carrie from Robinson Engineering. She was the field engineer on the project and did a fantastic job of keeping all the contractors on schedule. We don't have the final numbers in yet but according to Carrie we came in under budget.
- We have a few trees left in old Hainesville that need to be trimmed then all the village trees have been trimmed. Some trees have been trimmed more aggressive than others. Next year we will be taking another section to be trimmed aggressively. After three years every tree should have been aggressively trimmed.
- The storm that came through on Aug. 10th damaged 10 trees in the wetlands that back up to resident's property that needed to be taken down. Fortunately, no property damaged occurred. Unfortunately, this problem will continue. We have many large sand willows that have grown and have become hazardous to property owners.
- We are continuing on our sidewalk replacement. We are replacing the damaged sidewalk panels that are in bad shape or the ones that the trip hazards were too big to be ground down.

Trustee Kriese added that they are finding that some parkway tree roots are causing problems with the sidewalks.

Community Events

Trustee George Duberstein reported that he has let everyone know about the Civil War cancellation for this year and the date for next year. He is also considering doing a shredding event. George was hoping to have Melinda Bush sponsor the event so it won't cost as much for the truck. It would be a safe event as there is no contact. The Mayor suggested using Public Works to work the event. George will check with Melinda Bush and SWALCO about having it in mid-October.

The Halloween hayride will not take place. The Mayor is in the process of checking with other villages regarding Trick or Treating. Round Lake Park is discouraging it but will leave it to the parents and they have set hours per their attorney. The Village Clerk did do a Clerk post but has not heard yet. The Mayor feels the surrounding villages need to work as a group. He will also speak to Scott Puma regarding whether we can enforce not having Trick or Treating.

Great Age Club

Trustee Georgeann Duberstein stated that they are having zoom meetings and they went to Dockers in Fox Lake a few times for lunch.

Clerk

There was no report.

Mayor – Discussion of Cranberry Lake North 4 acres

The Mayor's report is in the packet.

Treasurer Kelly Hensley stated that the Village is not charging penalties on Utility Bills yet or doing water shut offs but there have been a few people who have been consistently delinquent. The Utility Clerk has reached out to them however 4 residents have not responded. She would like direction as to doing a final notice letter. After discussion it was decided that the shut off notice be sent and see who responds.

Mayor Daley addressed the issue of the donation to the Village of the 4 acres by Cranberry Lake North. They will have to get 60% response from the townhome owners of a yes vote. They are willing to pursue this more now than they ever have been. Discussed was the buckthorn and trees that would need to be removed, and the SSA and conservancy issues. Trustee Derenoski suggested the Village maintains the area without taking possession. It was decided that the Mayor will contact Scott Puma to see if it can be worked out contractually where the Village takes care of the buckthorn from here on out and if Cranberry Lake is willing to accept that. He will also verify whether or not it is part of the Conservancy legally. He will then share his findings with the Trustees so they can decide where to go with the issue.

Business

An Ordinance Amending Section 8.24.100 of the Village Code Regarding Inoperable Motor Vehicle – Nuisance. This specifically adds vehicles that do not have current up-to-date registration displayed to the definition of inoperable vehicles.

Trustee George Duberstein moved, seconded by Trustee Kriese.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees George Duberstein, Kriese, Koval, Derenoski, and Georgeann Duberstein -5 Motion carried. **Ord #20-8-302**

A Motion to table the Acceptance (if offered) of a Donation of 4 Acres from Cranberry Lake North Townhome Association.

Trustee Georgeann Duberstein moved, seconded by Trustee Derenoski

Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees George Duberstein, Kriese, Koval, Derenoski, and Georgeann Duberstein -5 Motion carried.

A Motion to Approve an Ordinance Establishing the Salary for the Mayor

Trustee Kriese moved, seconded by Trustee Derenoski

Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees George Duberstein, Kriese, Koval, Derenoski, and Georgeann Duberstein -5 Motion carried. **Ord. #20-8-303**

Discussion Regarding a 2nd Water Rebate to the Residents of Hainesville

Trustee Derenoski stated that with Covid still being a problem and people having to stay home due to school not in session. Kelly explained what she had to do to rebate the money the first time. The Mayor looked at financials and the Village is in a good place. After discussion took place it was decided that Kelly will evaluate to see the revenue the Village will get from the State and then perhaps in November or December another rebate up to \$100 can be given. The Mayor reiterated that without a commitment to complete this they will investigate a \$100 rebate on that timetable with more information and a decision will be made by the Board.

The Regular Board Meeting recessed at 8:06 p.m. to enter into Executive Session. Trustee Derenoski moved, seconded by Trustee George Duberstein to go into Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel 2(C)1.

Ayes: Trustees George Duberstein, Kriese, Koval, Derenoski, and Georgeann Duberstein -5 Motion carried.

Trustee George Duberstein moved, seconded by Trustee Kriese to enter back into the Regular Board Meeting at 8:29 p.m. **Roll call vote: Ayes:** Trustees George Duberstein, Kriese, Koval, Derenoski, and Georgeann Duberstein -5 Motion carried.

To Vote on once out from Executive Session:

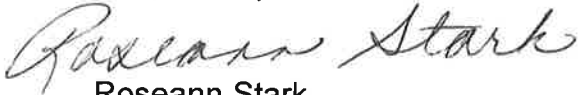
A Motion to Approve the Granting of Additional Carry Over Sick Days to Clerk Metzler.

Trustee George Duberstein, seconded by Trustee Koval to approve the granting of additional carry over sick days to Clerk Metzler. **Roll call vote: Ayes** Trustees George Duberstein, Kriese, Koval, Derenoski, and Georgeann Duberstein -5 Motion carried.

Trustee George Duberstein moved, seconded by Trustee Koval to adjourn the August 25th, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. All in favor; motion carried.

The August 25th, 2020 Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Roseann Stark".

Roseann Stark
Deputy Clerk

Mayor's Report for August 25, 2020

- 1) Negotiations with Robinson are ongoing. I hope that I'll have the contracts to you at the September meeting. We have a number of ongoing projects with them at this time including:
 - a) Provide a proposed solution for erosion problems in the east Misty Hill Pond.
 - b) Zoning Ordinance update (regarding technical requirements)
 - c) Researching a drainage problem involving the clay tile behind Prairieview School
 - d) Inspection of the water tower and Lisk reservoir
 - e) Recommendations for financing the construction of the Public Works well
 - f) Ongoing GIS development
 - g) Stormwater Management Grant possibilities for our projects
 - h) Street crack sealing
 - i) SCADA improvements to our water system
- 2) The two park benches that were constructed as part of an Eagle Scout project have been installed. One on the Cranberry Lake trail and one on Brittany Lane. They look very nice.
- 3) The Antler Park pond duckweed problem is still ongoing. I'm waiting for references from users of a turbidity curtain to see if that might stem the flow of the duckweed into the Grayslake pond.
- 4) The recent thunderstorm did cause some damage throughout the Village. We have been receiving calls from residents about wetland trees that have fallen or cracked and need to be removed. Public Works will assess those trees and do what is necessary to remove the trees. UPDATE It turns out that the derecho storm last week felled 5 huge wetland trees into various residents' yards. It also knocked a large oak branch down near the CL path and left a second large broken branch hanging by the skin of its teeth. All of the trees must be taken down as they pose a danger to residents and their property. A rough estimate sits at \$20,000. This is an unbudgeted amount that may lead to a budget amendment down the line. I'll keep you informed.
- 5) I had a Zoom meeting with our Community Planner, John Houseal to review their first round of suggestions for updating our Zoning Ordinances regarding our physical setting.
- 6) The repaving job for this summer is complete. Crack sealing is still to be scheduled.
- 7) The owners of Firestone are going to fire the General Contractor and are looking for a new one. They are very disappointed that construction is not well underway.
- 8) Just to share a lighter side of the day. I received a call from a relatively young man requesting that I email him a restraining order against the Grayslake Police. When I phoned him, he told me that when he used to live in Grayslake the Police always harassed him and when he goes into Grayslake now, they continue to harass him. I

next asked him if he was a Hainesville resident and he answered "No, I live in Round Lake." As I bit my tongue so that I wouldn't laugh out loud, I told him to call the Grayslake Mayor since I wasn't the boss of the police. It takes all kinds to populate a Village.