

June 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at the Village of Hainesville Council Chambers by Mayor Gerry Daley at 6:34 p.m.

Village Clerk Kathy Metzler took roll call. The following Officials were present: Mayor Gerry Daley, Trustees George Duberstein, Kris Chynoweth, Kriese, Koval, Jack Chynoweth and Georgeann Duberstein

Also present were: Village Clerk Kathy Metzler

Establishment of quorum

Agenda Approval:

Trustee George Duberstein moved, seconded by Trustee Georgeann Duberstein to approve the agenda. **Roll call vote:** Ayes: Trustees George Duberstein, Kris Chynoweth, Kriese, Koval, Jack Chynoweth and Georgeann Duberstein -6 Motion carried.

Swearing in by Mayor Gerry Daley as Trustee - Walter Kriese – 4-year term

Lake County Transportation Alliance (LCTA) & Pace Update – Linda Soto, Executive Director LCTA

Linda Soto did an overview of the LCTA and PACE. In the 1990's under Lake County Department of Transportation, the Lake County Transportation Alliance was started to get the many needed road improvements and other infrastructure through a unified voice. It is a public private advocacy group that is run hand to mouth. She gave an overview of the Lake County Transportation Alliance of which she is the Executive Director. She strongly encouraged the Village to consider renewing their membership.

Trustee George Duberstein thanked her for the presentation and wants to get involved as a Trustee. Trustee Jack Chynoweth agreed.

Linda Soto also updated the Board on PACE because she is on the PACE Board of Directors representing Lake County. She encouraged everyone to go to the PACE website to view a draft of their short and long-term vision plan. She explained that some dedicated routes that are not busy will be gone or have route changes and will be replaced by on-demand service. Transfer stations will be used to get to final destination.

Public comments:

Ann Richmond asked about the status of the burned house on Tall Oak. The Mayor stated that permits have been issued and they have a contractor. She also had concerns about Firestone, the drive-thru restaurant, the hours of operation, the possible widening of Cranberry Lake Drive and trash. The Mayor stated there are no plans to widen the street. The Village will receive real estate and sales tax revenue from the shops. Ms. Richmond asked about the Village's comprehensive plan.

Barbara Jersey had questions, concerns and comments regarding the Firestone project and the May 11th Public Hearing. She'd like Hainesville to have some standards. She was confused about the letters that were mailed out for the Public Hearing she thought the returned receipts were comments. She was unaware that there was a public viewing of the plans at the May 11th

meeting which was posted in the newsletter, website, newspaper, announcements. The plans are always available to be viewed in the Clerk's Office

Lawrence Juchems stated he is opposed to the Firestone development. He asked if there will be fencing because there is foot traffic and they are cutting through his yard. The Mayor stated there are no plans for fence but there will be landscaping.

Trustee Georgeann Duberstein received an email from Elba Ramirez who is opposed to the traffic, noise and trash with the Firestone project.

Mark Ehrenberg asked what is being done about the empty facilities once Firestone and Subway move because it could be a problem. The Mayor stated that the owner of the strip mall where Firestone is currently located is trying to get new tenants. The Mayor added that it is the owner's responsibility and they must keep the property up. Mr. Ehrenberg is concerned about trespassing, crime and empty buildings. Mayor Daley stated that the police department do nightly business checks and he will reach out to other Mayors to see if they have any ordinances to address empty buildings.

The Mayor added that Firestone will start work on the grading in July and hope to open in November.

Trustee Georgeann Duberstein wanted the residents present to know that the owners are very aware of the residents and are doing their part to minimize the impact on the residents. The rear lighting will be turned off at 10:00 p.m. to avoid glare in the adjacent neighborhood. The HVAC system located on the roof of the building will be screened. She understands the concerns expressed but she wanted to reassure everyone that the Firestone owners are good neighbors and will continue to be good neighbors.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the May 11th, 2021 VOH Planning and Zoning Commission Public Hearing Meeting minutes for a Special Use Permit to do Business as a Vehicle Repair Shop and have a Drive Thru for a Future Restaurant
2. Approval of the May 25th, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of the "Draft" May 2021 Financial Statements
4. Approval of the June 22nd, 2021 Bills Payable for \$222,401.31

Trustee Kriese moved, seconded by Trustee George Duberstein to approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees George Duberstein, Kris Chynoweth, Kriese, Koval, Jack Chynoweth and Georgeann Duberstein -6 Motion carried.

Reports and Communications from Mayor and other Officers:

Finance

Trustee Koval had nothing to report.

Public Works

Trustee Kriese spoke Tim Seiler the Public Works Superintendent. The sidewalks put in by Public Works look good. Work that can be done by the Village instead of outside contractors is less expensive.

The Mayor added that there were two full time employees in Public Works and they both left. Five seasonal workers were hired to help but three were injured or sick so no longer able to work. Tim Seiler is head of Public Works and he has an assistant. The department is short staffed.

Community Events

The Mayor thanked Trustee George Duberstein on the recycling event. Trustee George Duberstein stated that SWALCO and Senator Bush also hosted the event. About 60 cars came through. He thanked all the volunteers and hopes to do it again next year.

The Civil War event is on October 16th and 17th at the Northbrook Sports Club. He has sent out emails to the re-enactors.

Great Age Club

Trustee Georgeann Duberstein stated that the annual picnic is July 13th at the Nippersink Forest Preserve. The Club continues to meet monthly on the first Thursday of the month at the Village Hall.

She also noted that 100 plants were added to the Gathering Place on either side of the gazebo. Also, the prairie is thriving. Another 100 plants were planted in the banks of the village pond. She is inviting everyone to go and enjoy the park.

The Village wide clean up is Saturday. Students from the high school will be helping.

Clerk

Kathy Metzler had nothing to report.

Business

Approval of an Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit to Allow a Vehicle Repair Shop and a Drive Through for a Future Restaurant at 0 Cranberry Lake Drive which is currently zoned B-1 Commercial/Business District

Trustee Kriese moved, seconded by Trustee Kris Chynoweth

Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees George Duberstein, Kris Chynoweth, Kriese, Koval, Jack Chynoweth and Georgeann Duberstein. -6 Motion carried. Ordinance #21-6-315

The Mayor asked that the Trustees communicate to him thoughts on Linda Soto's presentation to include it in the July meeting.

Trustee George Duberstein moved, seconded by Trustee Kris Chynoweth to adjourn the June 22, 2021. All in favor; motion carried.

The June 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy Metzler, RMC, CMC
Village Clerk

Mayor's Report for June 22, 2021

1. Public Works has provided us with some challenges this summer. Currently we have 2 employees out on extended sick leave and our new supervisor starts next week. This leaves us with 2 guys in the field. They are doing what they can. Avon Township's Bob Kula will be ending his time with us on Monday, June 21st. He'll meet with Tim to bring him up to date.
2. The road resurfacing project has begun. Damaged curbs have been cut, removed and new concrete poured as of 6/16. The total project is scheduled to end by mid-July.
3. National Power Rodding is close to completing the \$125,000 storm sewer videoing project. That amount will cover roughly 50% of our storm sewers and we plan to do the rest next summer. So far, they have found only 1 collapsed line and 4-5 blocked discharge points. Those blockages will be cleared either by them or by the Village. The collapsed line will be repaired by Diemer Plumbing.
4. Over the next 2 weeks I have 4 interviews arranged for the Utility Clerk position. I've received approximately 100 applications most of which did not have the basic qualifications for the position.
5. Another approved project that is wrapping up is the Robinson evaluation of our lift stations. This is another segment of our infrastructure that has not been part of a preventative maintenance plan. Yesterday, I spoke briefly with the engineer that performed the evaluation and she said that both stations are going to need a fair amount of work done to them. I'll share the report when it arrives.
6. We still have the following projects on the board for this summer. Water tower and reservoir repair, Public Works building connection to Village water, Misty Hill Pond erosion control, ILM working on the Hainesville Road to Elk Ct. channelization and the Centennial Pond drain clearing, and finally the cost estimates for a new well should be coming my way shortly.
7. Obviously, we are in a drought, I am awaiting a report from Greg Topf of Robinson regarding the water depth in our wells. I'll share them as soon as I get them. I have spoken with Clarke services regarding our various pond fountains. I was concerned that they might bottom out due to the drought and damage the motors. Fortunately, they have automatic shut offs if the impeller experiences resistance.
8. And finally, we are getting closer to the finish of our 4-year Ordinance update project. You each have copies of the updates to review. There will be a presentation during the Zoning Commission segment of the July Board meeting.