

VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, March 16, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call

Roll Call was answered by Trustees Horcher, Kelleher, Kerrigan (via remote attendance), Rogus, Weiner, and President Sweet McDonnell. Trustee Pais was absent.

Also present were Village Administrator John Lobaito, Village Attorney Bryan Winter, Village Treasurer Mike Sands, Cuba Township Supervisor Chris Karam, Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy, Sergeant Kyle Brown, Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cuba Township Supervisor Chris Karam.

Village President Sweet McDonnell requested a motion to move Action Item 8.D. up on the agenda. Motion by Trustee Horcher and seconded by Trustee Rogus to move the item up on the agenda. On roll call Trustees Horcher, Kelleher, Kerrigan, Rogus and Weiner voted Aye. No Nays. Motion carried.

Presentation: Item 8.D. Cuba Township Supervisor Chris Karam addressed the Board with an update on Cuba Township. Mr. Karam announced many new initiatives that were taking place emphasizing the awareness of local Villages and the role that Cuba Township plays. The new property Tax Assessor is Nicole Knapik. Heidi Shannon is the new Village Clerk. Mr. Karam began with a state of the union for the Township office. The Township will again sponsor the Independence Day Celebration, in coordination with the Village of Barrington Hills, as well as its Fall Festival. Improvements have been made to the Cuba Township food pantry, as well as an expansion of their relationship with SWALCO. The non-taxpayer funded programs that help residents with food, rent, and utilities continues to be very popular. There is a public safety initiative with all the Villages within the Township, which includes replacing some of the emergency warning sirens used for weather and any other natural disasters.

President Sweet McDonnell asked Supervisor Karam how many residents currently live in Cuba Township. He replied there are 16,000 people in the Township, 85 parcels of land, comprised of residential and commercial. President Sweet McDonnell thanked Supervisor Karam for his enlightening presentation.

Public Comment

Sergeant Kyle Brown, Lake County Sheriff Office addressed the Board about public safety for the residents of North Barrington. Sergeant Brown warned the Commission about con artists operating in the area, both on-line and door to door. He urged the residents to contact the Sheriff's office if they suspect suspicious activity, including checking on elderly family members. Sergeant Brown stated that he and Village Administrator John Lobaito were working on traffic and speeding issues within the Village.

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President McDonnell thanked Sergeant Brown for his presentation.

President Sweet McDonnell reviewed Chapter 11 Section 1-11-3 of the Village Code which provides time limits for individual speakers who may wish to address the Board and asked if there was any public comment.

There were no public comments from the audience.

President Sweet McDonnell read a letter submitted by Village resident Doug Ramsdale, attending via zoom, stating his position regarding the use of golf carts on the Village roads.

Approval of Minutes

Village Board Minutes of February 16, 2022. Trustee Rogus made a spelling correction.

Motion by Trustee Weiner and seconded by Trustee Kelleher to approve the Village Board Minutes of February 16, 2022 as amended. On roll call vote Trustees Horcher, Kelleher, Kerrigan, Rogus, and Weiner voted Aye. No Nays. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report

February Treasurer's Report for FYE 2022.

Village Treasurer Mike Sands addressed the Board and indicated that the Village continues to see a trend of higher than anticipated revenues for building permit fees. Referring to Item 10.3900; Other Income, Mr. Sands stated that the amount of \$204,905.11 is primarily due to the American Rescue Plan Act. Additional funds will come in the next fiscal year. A portion of those funds are also from Rebuild Illinois revenues. The fifth payment came in March 2022. The funds are restricted. Administrator Lobaito and Mr. Sands will be addressing the Board regarding spending the funds appropriately. The Village is on track to end the fiscal year in a very strong financial position and Mr. Sands will be meeting with Village Administrator Lobaito to finalize a budget proposal for FYE 2023.

President Sweet McDonnell complimented the Village on its fiscal responsibility. It was noted that the capital improvement plans for the roads will be costly. Village Administrator Lobaito stated that using the one-time payment of COVID related revenues on a one-time capital improvement project is essential. He further stated that one-time revenues should not be used for reoccurring expenses.

Motion by Trustee Horcher and seconded by Trustee Kelleher to approve the February Treasurer's Report for FYE 2022. On roll call vote Trustees Horcher, Kelleher, Kerrigan, Rogus, and Weiner voted Aye. No Nays. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

There were no items on the consent agenda.

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Action Items

A. Resolution Authorizing Execution of Documents as Required to Designate Authorized Signatories with Barrington Bank & Trust Company.

Administrator Lobaito stated to the Board that approving the Resolution will not change the Board's authority to approve all payment of bills. The addition of the Village Treasurer and Village Administrator as signatories will improve the day-to-day operations of the Village. Administrator Lobaito also mentioned that the bank has security protocols in effect too.

Motion by Trustee Kelleher and seconded by Trustee Horcher to approve a Resolution Authorizing Execution of Documents as Required to Designate Authorized Signatories with Barrington Bank & Trust Company. On roll call vote Trustees Horcher, Kelleher, Kerrigan, Rogus, and Weiner voted Aye. No Nays. Motion Carried.

B. Ordinance Authorizing Operation of Non-Highway Vehicles on Designated Village Streets.

Administrator Lobaito addressed the Board and acknowledged the golf cart issue has been on the Board's table since June of 2021. He explained that at the June 16, 2021 Village Board meeting, the Board authorized the drafting of an ordinance that would permit the use of golf carts on certain public streets. At the July 21, 2021 Board meeting, the Board reviewed and discussed the draft ordinance. The Village took many steps to get input and solicit comments from the Village residents as well, and the Board reviewed a revised draft of the ordinance at the October 20, 2021 Board meeting. In subsequent years, the golf cart program will coincide with the vehicle sticker program. The first year the registration cost will be reduced from \$50.00 to \$25.00. The reduction is warranted the first year to allow time for resident notification and development of application and stickers.

President Sweet McDonnell stated that this important item has evolved over time and asked for the Board's input. She explained that the ordinance can easily be refined if needed. Trustee Kelleher asked how enforcement would be handled by the Lake County Sheriff. Administrator Lobaito mentioned he has an open communication line with the Sheriff's office and the Village also got input from the Sheriff while formulating the ordinance. There would be levels of enforcement that would start out gradually. Village Attorney Bryan Winter stated that unsafe operations will be ticketed and a strict registration process would be enforced. President Sweet McDonnell stated for the public record that the Wynstone Community which is private is not part of this ordinance. Trustee Kerrigan stated that the benefit of an ordinance is safer than no ordinance. Trustee Horcher commented that golf cart use has been growing significantly over the past few years, and the concept of compliance while using the carts is vital. The ordinance sets up a responsibility for the driver. Trustee Rogus stated that this ordinance is new for the Village, and the education of the residents is very important.

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Motion by Trustee Horcher and seconded by Trustee Kelleher to Approve an Ordinance Authorizing Operation of Non-Highway Vehicles on Designated Village Streets. On roll call vote Trustees Horcher, Kelleher, Kerrigan, Rogus, and Weiner voted Aye. No Nays. Motion Carried.

President Sweet McDonnell stated that this ordinance applies to the use of golf carts by Biltmore Country Club. She also thanked Village Attorney Bryan Winter for his help, as well as Village Administrator John Lobaito and the North Barrington Community.

C. Payment of \$1,476.25 to SWALCO for the 2022 annual dues.

President Sweet McDonnell explained the Village receives a \$2,500 credit through the contract with Lakeshore Recycling Services. Trustee Rogus pointed out that the name Kathy Nelander still appears on the SWALCO correspondence.

Motion by Trustee Horcher and seconded by Trustee Kerrigan to ratify the payment of \$1,476.25 to SWALCO for the 2022 annual dues. On roll call Trustees Horcher, Kelleher, Kerrigan, Rogus and Weiner voted Aye. No Nays. Motion Carried.

Unpaid Warrant List

Village Administrator John Lobaito explained there were six checks on the warrant list for the residents who accidentally over-paid for their vehicle stickers online.

Motion by Trustee Horcher and seconded by Trustee Weiner to approve the March 2022 Unpaid Warrant List. On roll call vote Trustees Horcher, Kelleher, Kerrigan, Rogus, and Weiner voted Aye. No Nays. Motion Carried.

Checks Written Report

None.

Trustee Rogus inquired about no checks being written. Treasurer Mike Sands explained there are no employees of the Village which in the past required checks to be written for salaries and benefits.

Village Administrator's Report

The statement of Economic Interest was emailed to the Board Members by Administrator Lobaito. They are due by the end of May.

Administrator Lobaito reported he wanted to schedule a budget planning session by the end of the month with Treasurer Sands and the Board to review the priorities for the upcoming budget. There would also be a Committee of the Whole Meeting with the Board in April, with a final budget approval at the May Board Meeting.

Administrator Lobaito explained that he was currently obtaining landscaping bids.

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Board of Trustee's Reports

Trustee Kevin Horcher – Trustee Horcher had no report.

Trustee Robin Kelleher – Trustee Kelleher reported that the Parks and Recreation Commission welcomed two new members. The Commission met and established four dates for the summer concerts, as well as the Fall Festival. Potential improvements for Eton Park and Lafferty Park were also discussed, along with construction of a shelter for community events. The Commission will meet again on April 11, 2022.

Trustee Vanessa Kerrigan-Trustee Kerrigan and Administrator Lobaito gave an update on the roads program bid schedule.

Trustee Martin Pais – Trustee Pais was absent.

Trustee Greg Rogus – Trustee Rogus had no report.

Trustee Lawrence Weiner – Trustee Weiner stated the Village is investigating all potential relationships and costs for police, fire department and public safety.

Village President's Report

President Sweet McDonnell will be attending Lobby Days in Springfield on March 23, 2022. She is working closely with House Representative Bos, House Representative McLaughlin and State Senator McConchie to explore any possible grants available. Priorities are stormwater management, Cuba Township emergency warning siren replacements and LGDF.

President Sweet McDonnell reminded the Board to encourage new neighbors to sign up for the Village email blasts, and wished everyone a safe, happy spring break, St. Patrick's Day, Easter, and Passover.

Old Business

There was no old business.

Closed Session

There was no closed session.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment

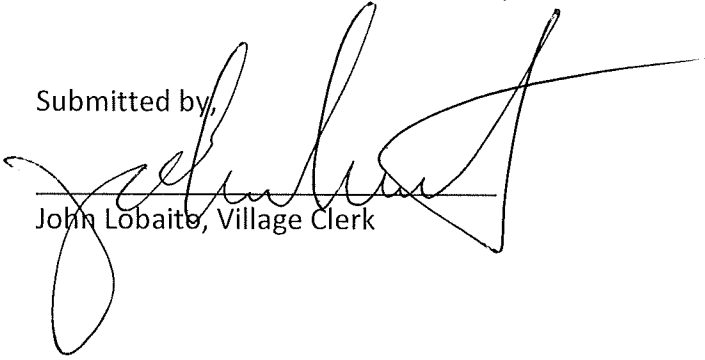
Motion by Trustee Horcher and seconded by Trustee Kelleher to adjourn the meeting.

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The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Submitted by,



John Lobaite, Village Clerk

