

VILLAGE BOARD

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2018 – 8:00 PM

Lemont Village Hall - 418 Main St. - Lemont, IL 60439

I. Call to Order

Mayor Egofske called the COW Meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present were Trustees, Blatzer, Kwasneski, Maher, McClafferty, Stapleton and Sniegowski. Also present were George Schafer, Jason Berry, Marc Maton, Darshana Prakash and Ralph Pukula.

III. Discussion Items

A. New Horizon Homes Rezoning 127th Street & Rolling Meadows Drive

Mr. Berry presented a revised site plan. Based on feedback from January 17, 2018, COW Meeting, the applicant significantly revised their plan. New Horizon Homes is seeking a rezoning to R-5 to allow both attached duplex homes and single family homes. The proposed Rolling Meadows Phase 4 will have a roadway that connects Rolling Meadows Drive to Willow Drive. On the north side of the road is proposed 9 duplex homes (18 dwelling units). The south side of the road will have 8 single family homes, built to R-4 dimensions and setback to match those homes on Willow Drive. The applicant is no longer seeking any variations, just a rezoning. If the rezoning is approved, New Horizon Homes will submit a plat of subdivision. Discussion from Village Board followed, commenting on how the applicant addressed the concerns discussed in January. There was discussion between board and applicant on impact fees. The Developer will pay required impact fees but is in discussion with the park district following the PZC meeting.

B. Engineering Agreement with Living Waters Consultants for I&M Canal Restoration Project

Mr. Schafer led a discussion and presented a proposal from Living Waters Consultants for the I&M Canal Restoration project. The project proposes a not to exceed fee of approximately \$70,000 which includes all permitting and some grant writing/application services for the project. The proposal is to create a narrower channel from Bossert Drive to the Stephen Street bridge which would increase water flow through the downtown. The channel would be created by planting native plantings within the silt on each side. This project would have a greater potential for grants MWRD and potentially other sources. There were many questions from the board regarding the project including questions on how the project would look. A few officials visited a sample site engineered by the proposed engineer, however the weather limited the ability for the group to assess accurately. The Heritage & Outdoor Recreation Commission would be visiting the site in the near future to give more input on the project. Trustee Maher mentioned that the option to dredge the canal should be examined once again to ensure all options are evaluated before moving forward with the engineering proposal. Staff will bring up once again with the Board in June and provide that

additional information requested.

C. FY 18 Fourth Quarter Budget Amendment

Mr. Schafer presented a draft copy of the final budget amendment for the FY 17-18 budget season, which will be presented for formal approval at the June 11th Village Board Meeting. The Village has held back on expenditures to finish out the year and will be very close to balancing as a result.

D. Strategic Plan Update

Mr. Schafer led a brief discussion on the most recent draft of the Village's strategic plan. Once the board signs off on the updated indicators and strategic initiatives, staff will continue to build the detailed action plans. The Board was in general support of the updated version of the summary plan. Staff will bring the full plan to the board in July for approval and to discuss the tracking mechanisms in place.

IV. Unfinished Business – None

V. New Business

A. Artistic Holiday

Mr. Schafer mentioned that Artistic Holiday, a business headquartered in Downtown Lemont, has offered to design and donate holiday decorations for the Village. The Board was appreciative and receptive of the idea and will discuss again when the owners submit the design and proposal to the Village. Also in new business, Mr. Schafer mentioned that the Keepataw Day Parade will not run this year. The Mayor and Village Administrator had a meeting with the organizers and due to several factors, the parade will take a year off and will re-evaluate for the future in the fall/winter.

VI. Audience Participation - None

VII. Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.