

**VILLAGE BOARD**  
**Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**  
**August 15, 2016 – 7:00 PM**  
**Lemont Village Hall - 418 Main St. - Lemont, IL 60439**

I. **Call to Order**

Mayor Reaves called the COW Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

II. **Roll Call**

Present were Trustees, Blatzer, Chialdikas, Stapleton, Sniegowski and Virgilio were present. Trustee Miklos was absent. Also present, George Schafer, Charity Jones, Mark LaChappell, Ralph Pukula and Chris Smith.

III. **Discussion Items**

A. **23 E. Logan Street Variation**

Ms. Valone discussed that the applicant is requesting a variation to allow driveway access in the R-4A district via the street rather than via the alley. Staff and the PZC are recommending denial of the variation. Staff and the PZC found that the variation did not meet all the standards listed in the UDO for granting variations, that the proposed variation was not consistent with the character of the neighborhood, and that the stormwater impacts of the alley were minor compared to the impacts a residence constructed on the property will have. She discussed the resident attendance at the July PZC meeting. Nine residents spoke against the variation at last month's PZC meeting. These residents raised concerns about the variation's consistency with the surrounding neighborhood and stormwater. The property owner to the north commented that he was more concerned about the stormwater from the home impacting his property than the alley. He also commented that even though there would be minor impacts from the alley he still was against the variation.

The applicant gave a brief presentation outlining the stormwater concerns and other site conditions that he believed prevented him from extending and using the alley.

One neighboring resident spoke regarding the stormwater concerns and the consistency of the variation with the R-4A standards and restrictions.

B. **Cooperative Fishing Agreement**

The Board briefly discussed the cooperative fishing agreement with IDNR to help manage the fishing environment in the quarry area. The agreement would start the process for the state to provide services for the Village, including surveying the lakes, coming up with regulations for fishing, and potentially the restocking of fish. There was also a discussion

on the use of alcohol in the quarry area and potentially amending the municipal code to allow alcohol with restrictions. This discussion will require further research and will be reported on a future committee meeting.

C. **Electronic Recycling Alternatives**

Mr. Schafer briefly described the current electronic recycling options for Village residents. Because there has been a change in the recycling industry, the acceptance of electronics for recycling is limited in the area and not available within the Village limits. Village residents have options to take electronics, including televisions and computer monitors to Lockport's Public Works Facility on Tuesdays and Fridays from 6 am – 11 am. There also may be an option in DuPage County in the coming months, but for a fee. The Board also discussed an option through Waste Management for all hazard waste collection, as a supplement to the existing contract for residents. The Board directed staff to have a member from Waste Management out at a future committee meeting to further discuss the program.

D. **Gateway TIF RFP**

Mrs. Jones briefly discussed the status of the Gateway TIF RFQ. Mayor Reaves, Trustee Chialdikas, Mr. Schafer and Mrs. Jones recently conducted interviews with 3 respondents to the RFQ. Two firms have been asked to move forward in the process and the RFP will go out soon to solicit a full proposal from the firms. The Board stated that the two respondents should come out to a Committee Meeting in the future to discuss their proposals once they are made.

IV. **Unfinished Business**

V. **New Business**

- A. Mayor Reaves gave an update to the Board on meetings himself, Mr. Schafer and Attorney Stein had with residents of the Glens of Connemara and Kettering Estates regarding the Cook County State's Attorney lawsuit.

VI. **Audience Participation**

VIII. **Adjourn at 9:00 p.m.**