

Village Board
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
February 16, 2015
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, Miklos, Stapleton and Virgilio. Rick Sniegowski, absent. Also present, George Schafer, Charity Jones, Mark LaChappell, Ralph Pukula, Marc Maton, Linda Molitor and Chris Smith.

III. Discussion Items

A. Financial Outlook

Finance Director, Chris Smith, presented the Financial Outlook, the Capital Plan review and the outline of the FY16 Budget. The slide presentation shown depicted the overall economy growing and national/local revenue sources are beginning to improve. Staff continues to monitor Illinois economic issues due to the fact that many State funded programs and Income Tax funding could be eliminated. The proposed capital projects and capital funds were discussed along with future potential revenue sources. A Public Hearing on the Operating Budget will be held on March 9 and March 23.

B. Finance Policies and Procedures Update

Updates to the Finance Policies and Procedures were discussed. Some changes are to the Budget Policy, Purchasing Authority Policy and Procedures, Purchase Card Policy and Procedures, Fund Balance Policy and Revenue and Cash Management Police. The policy and procedures will be up for approval at a future Village Board Meeting

C. Water System Needs Analysis PSA

The Village Board budgeted funds in the FY15 budget to conduct a water supply and demand analysis for the Village's water and sewer utility, specifically the projected growth areas near the eastern boundary of the Village. The two phases of the project, Phase I (Water Model) and Phase II (Water Needs Analysis), were presented. The Water System Needs Analysis will be up for approval at a future Village Board Meeting

D. RTA Developer Panel Report Discussion

The Village was awarded a grant in 2014 from the Regional Transit Authority (RTA). The grant funded a "Developer Discussion Panel" in which representatives from the Urban Land Institute and developers from around the Chicago area learned about downtown Lemont and provided suggestions for strategies to continue to improve our downtown district, focusing on a few key opportunity sites. The summary of the report is included in the agenda packet. Discussion took place on these suggestions and downtown areas and buildings.

IV. New Business

- A. The Board discussed potential properties for a water tower, should the water study prove there is a need for additional water storage on the east side of town.
- B. Pollyanna Brewing – They would like to extend the amount of days they host the food truck from one to two days per week and extend the hours of operations from 4:30-7:00 p.m. to 4:30-8:00 p.m. The Board was not in favor to add a second day, but was okay with extending the additional hour on the one day.
- C. Staff updates on items were given.

V. Audience Participation

Jerry Johnson inquired if staff found any information out about the re-enactment of the funeral train for Abraham Lincoln. Staff will look into it.

VI. Adjourned at 9:48 p.m.