

Minutes
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
February 24, 2014

The regular meeting of the Lemont Village Board was held on Monday, February 24, 2014, at 6:30 p.m., presided by Mayor Brian Reaves.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call: Stapleton, Virgilio, Blatzer, Chialdikas, Miklos, Sniegowski; present.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Sniegowski, seconded by Chialdikas, to approve the following items on the consent agenda by omnibus vote:

A. Approval of Minutes

1. February 10, 2014 Village Board Meeting Minutes
2. February 10, 2014 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

B. Approval of Disbursements

C. Appointment of Christina Smith as Village Treasurer

D. Ordinance O-14-14 Amending Lemont Municipal Code Chapter 5.04, Section 5.04.080: Alcoholic Beverages (Increasing the Number of Class C-1 Liquor Licenses – Target Store T-1213)

E. Ordinance O-15-14 Amending Lemont Municipal Code Chapter 5.04, Section 5.04.080: Alcoholic Beverages (Increasing the Number of Class C-1 Liquor Licenses – G7 Oil Corporation d/b/a BP)

F. Ordinance O-16-14 Amending Lemont Municipal Code Chapter 5.04, Section 5.04.080: Alcoholic Beverages (Increasing the Number of Class A-3 Liquor Licenses – Gelsosomo's Pizza)

Roll Call: Stapleton, Virgilio, Blatzer, Chialdikas, Miklos, Sniegowski; 6 ayes. Motion Passed.

IV. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. The March 10th meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.

B. We will be having a March 24th meeting.

C. The Mayor's Drive for Charity will be on Monday, April 28.

D. There is no sports complex update.

E. Proclamation – LHS Cheerleaders State Championship. Motion by Blatzer, seconded by Sniegowski, to approve said proclamation. 6 ayes.

F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

1. Arlene Bergman – Asking you give residents a chance to vote on the sports complex.
2. Jim Ladas – Read letter to Mayor. Must stop drive to take us into debt and stop negotiations. Let us vote.
3. Janet Hughes – Thinks the project should be dropped and voters should decide on the future of Lemont taxes. Asking board from letter presented two weeks ago, what is the boards plan now?
4. Rick Ligthart – Encouraged the board to re-evaluate the project. Said we are not seeing the positive. (Mayor Reaves reiterated he is open to meet with people and that just as many people want to go forward with the project. It is a destination location and you have to have a draw. Revenue numbers based upon sales tax – people spending money in our jurisdiction has dropped 30% since 2007. Said he is trying to maintain what we have and get more people to come to town and wants to have everyone’s property values in town continue to rise and have a vibrant town. Every idea out there has been kicked around. What the sales tax does is helps the Village a little, but it helps the schools a lot.
5. Carol Lindstrom – You are asking for emails and calls – but you shut down those that want to vote. (Mayor Reaves said he wants to make it very clear that the bonds were form financing the project, not for building the project.)
6. Kevin Cliff – If we have to buy, buy American. Regarding land cleanup, he called the IEPA and was told Federal funds could be used to clean it. (Mayor Reaves responded, it depends what is done with it we can’t go to anyone until we know the costs.) Think it should go to vote of the people. I demand my vote.
7. Anita Olson – questioned when the water main breaks on Warner will be fixed. (This is scheduled to be replaced in the spring.)

V. CLERK’S REPORT

A. CORRESPONDENCE

B. Resolution

1. **Resolution R-8-14 Approving Agreements for Lease-Purchase and Maintenance of Copy Equipment.** Motion by Stapleton, seconded by Blatzer, to adopt said ordinance. Motion by Stapleton, seconded by Blatzer to adopt said ordinances and resolution. Roll Call: Sniegowski, Stapleton, Virgilio, Blatzer, Chialdikas, Miklos; 6 ayes. Motion passed.

VI. VILLAGE ATTORNEY REPORT

VII. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

- A. At the March 10 and March 24 will be a public hearing for the budget.
- B. The Amnesty Program offered through March 1 for outstanding balances is coming to an end.

VIII. BOARD REPORTS

- A. Virgilio – The St. Patrick’s Day Parade is March 8. 12:30 lineup. Still taking entries – contact Donna at 30-243-2700. Congratulated Queen Bridget Lynn.

IX. STAFF REPORTS

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Blatzer, seconded by Stapleton, to move into Executive Session(s) for the purpose of discussing Collective Bargaining and Pending Litigation. Roll Call: Sniegowski, Stapleton, Virgilio, Blatzer, Chialdikas, Miklos; 6 ayes. Motion passed.

XIII. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM

XIV. MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion was made by Sniegowski, seconded by Stapleton, to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m. Voices vote 6 ayes. Motion passed.