



**MINUTES FOR VILLAGE OF PINGREE GROVE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Village Hall, 14N042 Reinking Rd, Pingree Grove, IL 60140**

**Monday, October 1, 2018
7:00 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Wiedmeyer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

The Roll was called; answering present were President Wiedmeyer and Trustees: Thomas, Spieker, Kubiak, Dulkoski, and Hirschbein. Trustee Paszkiewicz was absent. Also present were: Police Chief Shawn Beane, Finance Director Karen Plaza, Public Works Director Pat Doherty, Village Attorney Dean Frieders, Village Planner Chris Heinen, and Village Clerk Dawn Grivetti.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments made by persons present.

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS / ITEMS

There were no presentations.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Spieker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kubiak to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of minutes from Village Board meeting of September 17, 2018 and the Warrant List for October 1, 2018 in the amount of \$140,102.86. A Roll Call vote determined Trustees: Spieker, Kubiak, Thomas, Dulkoski, and Hirschbein answered aye. Trustee Paszkiewicz was absent. Roll Call vote passed 5-0.

7. ITEMS FOR SEPARATE ACTION

a. Discussion / Approval of Bids for Municipal Electric Aggregation for Residential and Small Commercial

Village energy consultant from Rock River Energy Services presented revised bids from today. When Staff considered re-implementing a municipal aggregation program, bidding looked like a good option, however, ComEd has since reduced their rates making even today's bids higher. There was discussion as to why ComEd

reduced their rate. Bids can be reviewed as frequently as the Village wishes. The Board's consensus is to revisit the bids at a later date.

b. Selection of a Civil Engineering Firm for Initiation of Fee Negotiations

The Board engaged in a discussion regarding the two choices of engineering firms. President Wiedmeyer and Staff offered pros and cons of each engineering firm.

Trustee Dulkoski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kubiak to authorize the Village Attorney to negotiate with Fehr Graham Engineering and Environmental for the development of a professional services agreement for civil engineering services. A Roll Call vote determined Trustees: Dulkoski, Kubiak, Thomas, and Spieker answered aye. Trustee Hirschbein answered no. Trustee Paszkiewicz was absent. Roll Call vote passed 4-1.

c. Approval of Professional Services Agreement with Clark Baird Smith LLP

The Village was recently informed of the potential unionization of patrol officers under the rank of Sgt. Attorney Frieders recommends the Village enter into an agreement with an agency that specializes in labor law.

Trustee Spieker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Thomas to approve the Agreement with Clark Baird Smith LLP. A Roll Call vote determined Trustees: Spieker, Thomas, Kubiak, Dulkoski, and Hirschbein answered aye. Trustee Paszkiewicz was absent. Roll Call vote passed 5-0.

d. Approval of the Cambridge Lakes North Neighborhood Park Plan

Planner Heinen reported on the revisions of the park plan. Staff spoke to the need for more storage space and the Board debated the number of parking spaces offered.

Trustee Thomas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Spieker to approve the plans for the Neighborhood Park for Cambridge Lakes North subject to a reasonable accommodation of specifications that meet the Public Works Director's requirements. A Roll Call vote determined Trustees: Thomas, Spieker, Kubiak, Dulkoski, and Hirschbein answered aye. Trustee Paszkiewicz was absent. Roll Call vote passed 5-0.

e. Discussion of 2018 Tax Levies for SSA's #4 and #9

The Board discussed the possibility of establishing special service areas (SSA's) in Cambridge Lakes North neighborhoods and other neighborhoods where SSA's do not currently exist. A consensus of the Board would prefer to tax residents fairly and equitably for services by either establishing maintenance SSA's in every neighborhood, or increasing the general tax levy. This will be a reoccurring topic of future Board meetings.

8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. President Wiedmeyer reported the building of the Municipal Center is on schedule. The walls are all up, and it should be under roof soon. It was determined the current lease for the public works department could be extended on a monthly basis until the department could move into the new building.

- b. President Wiedmeyer had a positive meeting with the property owner of the southwest corner of Rt 72 and Reinking Rd.

9. STAFF REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

a. Legal

Attorney Frieders met with representatives of Cambridge Lakes HOA regarding zoning and home occupations.

b. Police

Chief Beane reported Halloween trick or treat times will be from 4:00pm – 8:00pm Wednesday, Oct 31st.

c. Finance

Director Plaza reported the audit fieldwork is complete and the final report should be received in November. She is gathering bids for property casualty insurance, and police bond refunds are expected for the next meeting. Director Plaza and President Wiedmeyer will attend the international shopping center convention in Chicago later this month.

d. Public Works

Director Doherty had nothing to report.

e. Engineering

There was no engineering report presented.

f. Planning

Planner Heinen reported the Neighborhood 33 park is planned as open space, and DR Horton will post signs advertising the sale of commercial properties.

g. Clerk/Communications

Clerk Grivetti had nothing to report.

10. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed.

11. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business discussed.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION—To Discuss Personnel Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

At 8:54 pm Trustee Dulkoski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kubiak to convene an Executive Session of the Village Board for the purpose of discussing personnel pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). A Roll Call vote determined Trustees: Dulkoski, Kubiak, Thomas, Spieker, and Hirschbein answered aye. Trustee Paszkiewicz was absent. Roll Call vote passed 5-0.

Trustee Thomas left the meeting at 8:55pm prior to the Executive Session.

At 9:08 pm Trustee Spieker made a motion to return to regular session, seconded by Trustee Dulkoski. President Wiedmeyer directed that a Voice vote be taken. All present answered aye, and President Wiedmeyer declared the motion passed.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Kubiak made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Hirschbein. President Wiedmeyer directed that a voice vote be taken. All present answered aye, and President Wiedmeyer declared the motion passed; the meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.