

Village of Downers Grove Meeting Minutes

Downers Grove Village Council

Civic Center 801 Burlington Downers Grove, IL 60515 630-434-5500

Tuesday, October 7, 2008

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tem Martin Tully called the regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Downers Grove Village Hall.

Roll Call: Commissioners Beckman, Neustadt, Durkin, Waldack, Schnell; Mayor Pro Tem Tully

Absent: Mayor Sandack

Convene into Executive Session - Ante Room

Commissioner Schnell moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 2(c)(2) and 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act to consider collective negotiating matters and litigation. Commissioner Durkin seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYE - Commissioners Schnell, Durkin, Beckman, Neustadt, Waldack; Mayor Pro Tem Tully

NAY - None

Mayor Pro Tem Tully declared the Motion carried and the Council convened into Executive Session in the Ante Room at 6:06 p.m.

Reconvene into Open Session - Call to Order - Council Chambers - 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Sandack reconvened the Council meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Village Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Mayor Sandack led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. Roll Call

Present: Commissioner Marilyn Schnell, Commissioner Martin Tully, Commissioner William Waldack, Commissioner Sean P. Durkin, Commissioner Bruce E. Beckman, Commissioner Geoff Neustadt and Mayor Ron Sandack

Non Voting: Village Attorney Enza Petrarca, Village Clerk April Holden and Deputy Village Manager David Fieldman

3. Minutes of Workshop and Council Meetings

Executive Session Minutes for Approval Only - September 9, 10, & 16, 2008 Council Meeting - September 16, 2008 Workshop Meeting - September 23, 2008

There being no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mayor Sandack said they would be filed as submitted.

Youth in Government Recognition

Andy Matejcak, Director, Counseling and Social Services, provided background information on the Youth in Government program, which is in its third year. He thanked District 99 for their support in the success of this program. He then introduced the 2007-08 students who served on

Village Commissions: Kelsey Graczyk, Community Events Commission; Hannah Degan, Community Grants Commission; Heather Kinderman, Environmental Concerns Commission; Catherine Rivera. Human Services Commission.

Mayor Sandack congratulated the students and thanked them for serving the community.

Commissioner Tully echoed his congratulations, saying he thought the program was an unqualified success, which has brought valuable and unique perspectives to the Boards and Commissions on a variety of topics. He thanked the students as well as Mr. Matejcak for his work with the program.

Commissioner Neustadt said that he has had the opportunity to work with Hannah Degan on the Community Grants Commission. The students serve as ambassadors in the schools and the community. He expressed his appreciation to the students, and to their parents for their support.

Commissioner Waldack commented that the students were a great addition to the Boards. It was exciting for him to conduct the interviews and he wished the students good luck in their senior year.

Commissioner Schnell noted that the country is in good hands with these young adults. She encouraged them to continue participating in their community and thanked them for their service.

Commissioner Beckman expressed to the students the importance of taking their experiences and applying them to education, and vice versa. He hoped they gained the experience of seeing how government operates from a different perspective.

Commissioner Durkin also thanked the students. He said he did an internship with a municipality when he was in high school. It is a great experience and can be part of a resume. He encouraged the students to stay involved, and that he would like to hear from them in the future.

Capital Projects Update

Robin Weaver, Interim Director, Public Works, said there are currently 40 capital projects: 10 in design phase only and 15 completed. Three projects - Prairie, 55th Street and Fairmount will have change orders before the Council soon. She provided details of the change orders and noted that staff does not always know what they are facing until they open the infrastructure. The projects were not changed. The change orders are appropriate and reasonable.

Ms. Weaver then made a PowerPoint presentation to show the complexity of various projects. She showed roadway cross-sections depicting sanitary sewer lines, water mains, storm sewers, gas mains, stone road base, curb & gutter, asphalt base, asphalt binder course, parkway restoration and project completion.

Ms. Weaver highlighted the project on Prairie Avenue, a collector street, stating that it is a \$4.5 million project which was delayed 1 1/2 years due to State funding and land acquisition matters. A good deal of damage occurred to the roadway in the form of potholes. She outlined the reconstruction taking place including resurfacing, water main crossings, storm sewer and sanitary sewer installation. Prairie is a main collector street with multiple layers. The work is a complex, lengthy process that will continue until December. Portions delayed will take place next year. She noted that the road is narrow, which aids in traffic calming. She asked for continued patience with regard to this work.

The Mayor said Council asked for updates because there are so many capital projects taking place at the same time. These are public improvements long called for and staff is on course with the work.

Commissioner Schnell asked if the change orders will preclude paving. Ms. Weaver said the paving will be done this year.

Commissioner Schnell asked about compaction and where it occurs. Ms. Weaver said the stone base would serve that purpose. She also noted that compaction is done before the sod is rolled. Further, testing is done throughout the process. There is \$40,000 in this project for materials testing.

Commissioner Durkin asked if an outside consultant does the testing. Ms. Weaver responded affirmatively.

Commissioner Durkin asked how long the street should last. Ms. Weaver said it will need to be repaved in 20 years and reconstructed in 35 years. That time element is dependent upon the type of street, amount of traffic, etc.

Commissioner Durkin asked if staff looked at ways to extend the life of the street. Ms. Weaver said the base will not extend the life of the roadway, but timely patching and maintenance will prolong the life. She said 70% of the funding for this work is from the State of Illinois.

Commissioner Durkin asked if there are many cut-ins foreseen on Prairie. Ms. Weaver said it should be minimal as water connections were done first.

Commissioner Durkin complimented staff on their work.

The Mayor said the Village has a complex roadway maintenance plan and keeping the roadways properly maintained requires great vigilance.

4. Public Comments and Questions

A. Comments and Questions on Active Agenda

There were no comments.

B. Comments and Questions on General Matters

Ken Kellogg, 4407 Highland Avenue, a 40-year resident of the Village, distributed a letter regarding demolition of a building he owned at 620 Grant. He said he would appreciate a response from the Council.

The Mayor said Council will read the information and asked that the staff respond to Mr. Kellogg.

Mr. Kellogg said he has no problem with the demolition of the building as it was necessary; however, there were subsequent events that he felt required additional consideration.

Diane Meyer, 6035 Dunham, addressed the stormwater issue on her property as her property is still flooding. She reviewed her situation and said she has been told many things for several years. In 2004, staff came out to her property and told her that the wall that had been built by her neighbor was not the cause of her problem. In June 2007, she was told that the issues would be addressed, however, that has not yet been done. She was also told by Village staff that it would be addressed this fall. Her property is in now a flood plain although she never was told that before. She is required to have flood insurance now, which she was not previously required to have. Her property is under water ten months out of the year. She said she has a huge issue with mold and that is causing health issues. She showed pictures depicting her property. She said she has spent thousands of dollars cleaning up her property. This issue has been a recent occurrence over the last four years of the 19 years she has lived at this address. She asked for

the Village's help.

Mayor Sandack expressed his concern and asked staff to continue to monitor this situation and to assist if possible. He asked if this property is in the top 15 flood plain areas the Village is addressing. Acting Village Manager Dave Fieldman said he would report back on this matter.

Mark Sylvester said he owns and operates a home inspection business. He spoke on behalf of Dr. Meyer with respect to the mold problem at her home. He said the mold cannot be eliminated with the existing moisture problem. He described black mold and its consequences. Black mold produces micro-toxins that can cause a variety of infections. Some molds will destroy a home by eating through wood. He provided a report regarding the mold on the Meyer property. He said that mold scores range between 0-300 when they physically sample outside air and internal conditions in homes. Dr. Meyer's basement tested at 280. The spore count in Dr. Meyer's home is five times greater in the house as compared to the outdoors. He identified this as sick home syndrome.

Ed Seifert, principal, Intech Consultants, said Dr. Meyer has retained his firm regarding drainage issues on her property. He reviewed his report regarding her property and the area surrounding it. He discussed runoff and detention issues brought about since the development of the area. He noted that the water in the area rises immediately and does not always recede. The Village installed a storm sewer and ditch system along Dunham Road which may be of some small benefit during low intensity storms. Drainage of the flood plain area has changed over the years. He explained that clogging of the culvert pipe and silting and debris accumulation at 59th and Carpenter is also part of the problem. Removal of that clogging and clearing the drainage way would greatly help. There are many causes of the problem.

The Mayor asked Mr. Seifert to give his report to staff.

Mark Foster said he is the office manager for Dr. Meyer. He stayed at her house and helped with the maintenance of her home. He said he experienced health issues due to the mold. He found that no amount of maintenance solves the situation. This home is now in a detention pond and the house cannot be kept dry. He said it is not fair to keep putting her off.

5. Public Hearings

6. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Tully moved to removed from the Consent Agenda, for separate consideration, item G., a resolution to authorize an addendum to a banking services agreement with US Bank. Commissioner Durkin seconded the Motion.

VOTE: AYES: Commissioners Tully, Durkin, Beckman, Neustadt, Waldack, Schnell; Mayor Sandack

The Mayor declared the Motion carried.

COR 00-03490

A. Claim Ordinance: No. 5761, Payroll, September 12, 2008; Claim Ordinance: No. 5763, September 26, 2008

Sponsors: Accounting

A motion was made to Approve this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: N/A

BIL 00-03491 B. List of Bills Payable: No. 5740, October 7, 2008

Sponsors: Accounting

A motion was made to Approve this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: N/A

RES 00-03492

C. Resolution: Authorize an Amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement for Joint Administration of Employee Health Insurance Program with the Downers Grove Park District

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR JOINT ADMINISTRATION OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM BETWEEN THE DOWNERS GROVE PARK DISTRICT AND THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE

THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE

RESOLUTION 2008-101

A motion was made to Pass this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: Park District

RES 00-03506

D. Resolution: Authorize a Plan Amendment for Village of Downers Grove Group

Health Plan

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PLAN AMENDMENT FOR

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE GROUP HEALTH PLAN

RESOLUTION 2008-102

A motion was made to Pass this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: Insurance - Health, Employee

RES 00-03493

E. Resolution: Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Sanitary District

re: Permitting and Bonding Requirements

Sponsors: Public Works

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DOWNERS GROVE SANITARY DISTRICT AND THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE WITH REGARD TO PERMITTING AND

BONDING REQUIREMENTS

RESOLUTION 2008-103

A motion was made to Pass this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: Sanitary District

MOT 00-03494

F. Motion: Authorize an Addendum to the Professional Services Agreement with

Chapman & Cutler, LLP, Chicago, IL for Bond Counsel Services

Sponsors: Deputy Village Manager

A motion was made to Authorize this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: Stormwater Sewer Watershed Improvement Plans, Watershed Infrastructure Improvement Plan

BID 00-03496

H. Bid: Award \$13,964.00 to Professional Land Surveying, Inc., Lisle, IL, for

Surveying Services for Proposed 2009 and 2010 New Sidewalk Program

Sponsors: Public Works

A motion was made to Approve this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: Sidewalk Matrix, Surveying Services

BID 00-03497

I. Bid: Award \$4,630.00 to GC Engineering, Inc., Downers Grove, IL, for Surveying

Services for Proposed 2009 and 2010 New Sidewalk Program

Sponsors: Public Works

A motion was made to Approve this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: Sidewalk Matrix, Surveying Services

MOT 00-03498

J. Motion: Authorize \$24,088.50 to John Thomas, Inc. for Purchase of 18 Portable

Volume Traffic Counters/Analyzers and Protective Covers

Sponsors: Public Works

A motion was made to Authorize this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: Traffic Counters

MOT 00-03499

K. Motion: Note Receipt of Minutes of Boards and Commissions

Summary of Item: Community Events Commission - August 29, 2008

Human Service Commission - September 10, 2008

A motion was made to Note Receipt Of this file on the Consent Agenda.

Indexes: Boards and Commissions Minutes

Passed The Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda was passed as amended.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tully, seconded by Commissioner Durkin, that the consent agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Tully, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner

Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

7. Active Agenda

RES 00-03495

C. Resolution: Authorize an Addendum to a Banking Services Agreement with US

Bank

Sponsors: Finance

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ADDENDUM TO A BANKING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND US

BANK

Commissioner Tully moved to table this to October 14, 2008.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tully, seconded by Commissioner Durkin, to Table to a Date Certain this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Tully, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner

Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

Indexes: Banking Services

ORD 00-03500

A. Ordinance: Grant Stormwater Variances for 4958 Forest Avenue

Sponsors: Public Works

Summary of Item: At their meeting of August 28, 2008, the Stormwater and Flood Plain Oversight Committee recommended adoption of an ordinance to permit stormwater variances for the property

located at 4958 Forest Avenue.

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING STORMWATER VARIANCES FOR 4958 FOREST AVENUE

ORDINANCE NO. 5003

A motion was made by Commissioner Tully, seconded by Commissioner Durkin, to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Tully, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner

Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

Indexes: Stormwater Variance

ORD 00-03501

B. Ordinance: Amend Rates Charged for Metered Water

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: This amend rates charged for metered water, effective January 1, 2009 and May 1,

2009, respectively.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING RATES CHARGED FOR METERED WATER

ORDINANCE NO. 5004

Commissioner Schnell thanked staff for providing a report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Durkin, seconded by Commissioner Beckman, to Adopt this

file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Tully, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner

Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

Indexes: Water Rates

8. Mayor's Report

RES 00-03508 Resolution: Appoint Members to Boards and Commissions

Sponsors: Mayor

Summary of Item: This appoints the following members to Village Boards and Commissions:

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Reappoint Mike Davenport, Joseph Pappalardo and David Matthies to three-year terms expiring August 31, 2011

STORMWATER AND FLOOD PLAIN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Appoint Robert Ruyle to a three-year term expiring August 31, 2011

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Reappoint Joseph Domijan, Davia Majauskas and Richard Benes to three-year terms expiring August 31, 2011

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AND REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO VILLAGE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

RESOLUTION 2008-104

Commissioner Beckman said Robert Ruyle is in attendance at tonight's meeting. He is a retiree from Downers Grove South and has technical experience as well as an interest in flood control.

Mayor Sandack thanked all the appointees for serving the Village.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tully, seconded by Commissioner Durkin, to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Tully, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner

Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

Indexes: Boards and Commissions

Proclamations

The Mayor proclaimed October 2008 as Community Planning Month in Downers Grove.

Mayor Sandack proclaimed October 5-11, 2008 as Fire Prevention Week in Downers Grove. The Mayor mentioned the Silent Parade to be held on Friday, saying it is an honorable and respectful event.

Materials to be Placed on File

9. Manager's Report

Mike Baker, Assistant Village Manager, said that this is Amnesty Week. ARC is on schedule and they will proceed for the remainder of the week. Residents are required to have three stickered items and then unlimited materials can be left for pick up.

Acting Village Manager Fieldman said that on Saturday at 8:00 a.m. in Fire Station 2, staff and Council will meet to discuss the FY09 budget. They hope to conclude the meeting by 1:00 p.m. This is an interactive process and he invited the pubic to attend.

Mayor Sandack said that the budget is available for review. People are welcome to attend the budget workshop and give their comments and opinions.

Commissioner Schnell asked whether the meeting will be telecast. Mr. Fieldman said it would be telecast with a slight delay.

10. Attorney's Report

Attorney Petrarca asked the Council to consider waiving the traditional one-week waiting period to consider new business.

Commissioner Tully moved to waive the one-week waiting period to consider new business. Commissioner Durkin seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Commissioners Tully, Durkin, Beckman, Neustadt, Waldack, Schnell; Mayor Sandack

NAYS: None

Mayor Sandack declared the Motion passed.

ORD 00-03507

Ordinance: Authorize the Negotiation for the Acquisition of Property Known as the Main Street/Prairie Avenue Right-of-Way Project/Ring Parcel

Sponsors: Village Attorney

Summary of Item: This authorizes the negotiation for the acquisition of a 200 square foot corner clip of the parcel located at 4800 Main Street in relation to the Main Street/Prairie Avenue Right-of-Way Project.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE MAIN STREET/PRAIRIE AVENUE RIGHT-OF-WAY PROJECT/FIRST ILLINOIS BANK & TRUST #10189 (RING) PARCEL

ORDINANCE NO. 5005

Commissioner Tully said this is part of the Prairie Avenue reconstruction project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tully, seconded by Commissioner Durkin, to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Tully, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner

Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

Indexes: Village Property - Acquisition

ORD 00-03510

Ordinance: Authorize the Acquisition of Property Known as the Belmont/Burlington Grade Separation and Transportation Safety Project/4927 & 4944 Belmont (Litt Parcels)

Sponsors: Village Attorney

Summary of Item: This authorizes the acquisition of the Litt parcels located at 4927 and 4944 Belmont Road in relation to the Belmont/Burlington Grade Separation and Transportation Safety Project.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE BELMONT/BURLINGTON GRADE SEPARATION AND TRANSPORTATION SAFETY PROJECT/4927 & 4944 BELMONT (LITT PARCELS)

ORDINANCE NO. 5006

Commissioner Tully said this is part of the on-going Belmont grade separation project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tully, seconded by Commissioner Durkin, to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Tully, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

Indexes: Village Property - Acquisition, Belmont Road Grade Separation Project, Belmont Road

Underpass

ORD 00-03509 Ordinance: Provide for the Settlement and Closing of the Property Known as the

Belmont/Burlington Grade Separation and Transportation Safety Project/4927 & 4944

Belmont (Litt Parcels)

Sponsors: Village Attorney

Summary of Item: This authorizes the execution of a settlement agreement regarding the Litt parcels located at 4927 & 4944 Belmont Road in relation to the Belmont/Burlington Grade Separation and

Transportation Safety Project.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SETTLEMENT AND CLOSING OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE BELMONT/BURLINGTON GRADE SEPARATION AND TRANSPORTATION SAFETY PROJECT/4927 & 4944 BELMONT (LITT PARCELS)

ORDINANCE NO. 5007

Mayor Sandack said this is also part of the Belmont grade separation project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tully, seconded by Commissioner Durkin, to Adopt this file.

Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Tully, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner

Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

Indexes: Village Property - Acquisition, Belmont Road Grade Separation Project, Belmont Road

Underpass

RES 00-03511 Resolution: Authorize Appointment and Employment Agreement of David Fieldman as

Village Manager

Sponsors: Village Attorney

Summary of Item: This appoints Dave Fieldman as Village Manager effective October 7, 2008 and

authorizes execution of an employment agreement.

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING DAVID FIELDMAN AS VILLAGE MANAGER FOR THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN EMPLOYMENT

AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION 2008-105

Commissioner Tully said this concludes a process that worked exceptionally well. He thanked all the candidates that applied for the position. He said he looks forward to congratulating Mr.

Fieldman.

Mayor Sandack said the process was very successful. It was a deliberate process, taken seriously. A great number of resumes were received and culling them down was difficult as there were many good candidates. During the process, Council was mindful of the importance of this position. Mr. Fieldman earned this position and was the best fit. He thanked his

colleagues and staff for their help.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tully, seconded by Commissioner Durkin, to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Tully, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner

Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

Indexes: Village Manager

Future Active Agenda

11. Council Member Reports and New Business

Commissioner Waldack commented that the First Annual Taste of Downers Grove was a success and he is looking forward to the next one. He then congratulated Dave Fieldman as the new Village Manager, saying it is very tough to be in an interim position. Mr. Fieldman managed it quite well and earned the position.

Commissioner Beckman commented that the community should recognize the contributions of individuals who have given so much to the community. He reported on the passing of Virginia Stehney who had been a very involved member of the community. She taught at Avery Coonley School as well as District 58. He reviewed her accomplishments, listing the various committees, commissions and events in which she participated. There will be a memorial service for Ms. Stehney at the Library on October 12 at 2:00 p.m. Her passing will be felt by many people and organizations.

Commissioner Beckman then discussed the weekly Council agendas and packets, which are delivered to the Village Council every Friday evening by Greg Colat. There was a note attached to the last Agenda packet announcing the birth of Greg's fourth child. He congratulated Greg and his family on the new addition.

Commissioner Beckman then commented about a photograph of Commissioner Tully and himself together at the Black and White Ball.

Commissioner Neustadt added his congratulations to Dave Fieldman. He also reminded everyone at tomorrow is "Night at the Firehouse" at Fire Station 5 to be held at 6:30 p.m.

Commissioner Schnell expressed her congratulations to Village Manager Fieldman, saying he earned the position in a competitive process. Commissioner Schnell than said that Taste of Downers Grove was a terrific event with good weather and an opportunity to get the flavor of new restaurants. She added that Girls Night Out was also a great success.

Commissioner Tully reported on the success of Oktoberfest. He expressed congratulations to the Star Dust Lounge on their opening. He also commented on the Family Shelter Services event themed "Run a Mile in Her Shoes." The idea was to have men walk a portion of the event wearing a pair of women's high-heeled shoes. Mayor Sandack led the group by example, and completed the entire 5K in high heels, as did some other runners.

Commissioner Tully reminded everyone about the budget meeting at Fire Station 2 on Saturday at 8:00 a.m. It is the beginning of budget discussions and the Council and staff want to hear from the residents.

Commissioner Tully announced that the New World Repertory Theater has started its new season, opening with Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream." The Theater is located on Curtiss. The Commissioner then added his congratulations to David Fieldman on his appointment as Village Manager.

Mayor Sandack said that the Family Shelter Service is a great community partner.

The Mayor then announced that Grant Dicke passed away last week at the age of 53. The Dicke family is well known in the community, and they have been particularly involved in the Fire Department. He passed on the condolences from the Village to the Dicke family.

12. Adjournment

Commissioner Tully moved to adjourn. Commissioner Durkin seconded.

VOTE: YEA - Commissioners Tully, Durkin, Beckman, Neustadt, Waldack, Schnell, Mayor Sandack

Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.