



# Village of Downers Grove Meeting Minutes Downers Grove Village Council

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Tuesday, January 20, 2009

7:00 pm

Council Chambers

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## 1. Call to Order

*Mayor Ron Sandack called the regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Downers Grove 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 William Waldack, Commissioner Sean P. Durkin, Commissioner Bruce E. Beckman, Commissioner Geoff Neustadt and Mayor Ron Sandack

Absent: Commissioner Martin Tully

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

*The Council meeting is broadcast over the local FM radio station, WDGC. In addition, a tape recording and videotape of the meeting are being made using Village owned equipment. The videotape of the meeting will be used for later rebroadcast of the Council meeting over the Village cable television Channel 6.*

*The Council will follow the rules of conduct for this meeting as provided in Sec. 2.5 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code. These offer the public the opportunity to comment at several points in the meeting. First, immediately following approval of the minutes of the past meetings, an opportunity will be given for public comments and questions on the active agenda items for this evening's meeting. Following this, an opportunity is given for public comments and questions on any subject. Finally, if a public hearing is scheduled for this meeting, an opportunity is given for public comments and questions related to the subject of the hearing.*

*The presiding officer will ask, at the appropriate time, if there are any comments from the public. If anyone wishes to speak, the individual should raise their hand to be recognized and, after acknowledgment from the presiding officer, approach the microphone and state their name and address. Remarks should be limited to five minutes, and asked that individuals refrain from making repetitive statements.*

*Mayor Sandack said there are agendas located on either side of the Council Chambers, and he invited the audience to pick up an agenda and follow the progress of the Council meeting.*

## 3. Minutes of Workshop and Council Meetings

*Council Meeting - January 6, 2009*

*Workshop Meeting - January 13, 2009*

*Commissioner Waldack said he had a slight change to the Council minutes of January 6, 2009 that he submitted to the Village Clerk. The Mayor said the minutes would be accepted as corrected.*

### Holiday Decorating Recognition Program

*Mary Scalzetti introduced the winners of the 2008 Holiday Decorating Recognition Program. She said ten residences or businesses had been nominated.*

*Honorable Mention: The VanHootegem family and the Black family  
Third Place: Ryan Baker and the Baker family  
Second Place: The Komrska family  
First Place: The Snisko family*

*Ms. Scalzetti thanked Maria Mueller and Terry Snyder of the Downers Grove Junior Women's Club who served as judges in the Holiday Decorating program.*

## **Public Works Update**

*Stan Balicki, Assistant Director, Public Works, provided an update on the winter operations of the Public Works Department. To date there have been 41 inches of snow as compared to a normal winter of about 18 inches at this point. Most of the equipment is up and running right now, with three front line trucks being repaired. Reserve vehicles are available. Last winter the Village used 6,700 tons of salt, and this winter they have already used 4,000 tons. He noted that in the fall they increased the availability of salt and can now go to 8,700 tons.*

*Mr. Balicki then noted that the severe cold resulted in 33 calls last week for people without water. There were three water main breaks in the last three days.*

*Mayor Sandack said the Village's salt is on a fixed price of \$59.25, while other communities are paying almost double the cost. He asked if the snow plowing process is on the website, and Mr. Balicki said it is on the website for residents to review.*

*Commissioner Beckman said he understood that other communities are blending their salt allocation with other chemicals. Mr. Balicki said the Village would do that only as a last resort. Blending has detrimental effects to the stormwater system, wetland areas, and detention areas. In further response he said that staff has no expectations to blend the salt at this time.*

*Commissioner Schnell said that the staff is doing a great job. She noted that the Village doesn't plow Ogden, parts of Highland, Maple Avenue, 63rd, 75th and 71st Streets. She asked what happens if problems occur on those roadways. Mr. Balicki said that staff contacts the agency responsible for plowing when a resident calls with a complaint or problem.*

*Commissioner Waldack asked for a report as to old and new infrastructure water main breaks.*

*Commissioner Durkin said he is a big fan of the tandem plowing in that they come down the street at once, and leave at once. He would like information about the County's experience with beet juice. Mr. Balicki said staff has been in contact with the manufacturer. It appears to be effective, however, they are unsure that it provides the reduction in salt that is being advertised. It is substantially more expensive than what the Village is now paying.*

*Commissioner Neustadt asked for a status of the ADL system. Mr. Balicki said it is a great management tool and has helped staff catch missed streets, and has helped in response to customer calls.*

- 4. Public Comments and Questions**
  - A. Comments and Questions on Active Agenda**
  - B. Comments and Questions on General Matters**
- 5. Public Hearings**
- 6. Consent Agenda**

**COR 00-03637** A. Claim Ordinance: No. 5777, Payroll, January 2, 2009

**Sponsors:** Accounting

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

**Indexes:** N/A

**BIL 00-03638** B. List of Bills Payable: No. 5754, January 20, 2009

**Sponsors:** Accounting

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

**Indexes:** N/A

**RES 00-03639** C. Resolution: Authorize Annexation Agreements for the Properties Located at 7450 Webster and 5866 Chase Avenue

**Sponsors:** Community Development

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ANNEXATION AGREEMENTS FOR THE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 7450 WEBSTER AND 5866 CHASE AVENUE

RESOLUTION 2009-02

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

**Indexes:** Annexation/Water Service - 7450 Webster, Annexation/Water Service - 5866 Chase Avenue

**RES 00-03640** D. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement With Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc.

**Sponsors:** Public Works

**Summary of Item:** This authorizes execution of an agreement between the Village of Downers Grove and Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. in the amount of \$74,424.00 to perform Senior Resident Engineering Services for fiscal year 2009.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND HAMPTON, LENZINI AND RENWICK, INC.

RESOLUTION 2009-03

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

**Indexes:** Capital Projects, Engineering Services

**RES 00-03641** E. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with V3 Companies of Illinois, Ltd.

**Sponsors:** Public Works

**Summary of Item:** This authorizes execution of an agreement between the Village of Downers Grove and V3 Companies in the amount of \$70,543.20 to perform Senior Resident Engineering Services for fiscal year 2009.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND V3 COMPANIES OF ILLINOIS, LTD.

RESOLUTION 2009-04

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

**Indexes:** Capital Projects, Engineering Services

**RES 00-03643** F. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. re: McCollum Park Stormwater Management Project (SW-034)

**Sponsors:** Public Works

**Summary of Item:** This authorizes execution of an agreement between the Village of Downers Grove and Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. in the amount of \$189,968.00 to perform Senior Resident Engineering Services for the McCollum Park Stormwater Management Program (SW-034).

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND HAMPTON, LENZINI AND RENWICK, INC.

RESOLUTION 2009-05

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

**Indexes:** Park District, Stormwater Sewer Watershed Improvement Plans, Engineering Services, Stormwater Improvements, McCollum Park

**RES 00-03644** G. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with V3 Companies of Illinois, Ltd. re: Washington Park Stormwater Management Project (SW-042)

**Sponsors:** Public Works

**Summary of Item:** This authorizes execution of an agreement between the Village of Downers Grove and V3 Companies in the amount of \$236,796.00 to perform Senior Resident Engineering Services for the Washington Park Stormwater Management Program (SW-042).

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND V3 COMPANIES OF ILLINOIS, LTD.

RESOLUTION 2009-06

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

**Indexes:** Park District, Stormwater Sewer Watershed Improvement Plans, Engineering Services, Stormwater Improvements, Washington Park

**RES 00-03645** H. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with Nextel/Sprint Solutions

**Sponsors:** Finance

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND NEXTEL/SPRINT SOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2009-07

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

**Indexes:** Telephone System

**RES 00-03646** I. Resolution: Approve and Authorize a First Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust

**Sponsors:** Finance

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A FIRST AMENDED AND RESTATED DECLARATION OF TRUST

RESOLUTION 2009-08

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

**Indexes:** Cash Policy, Investment Policy, Illinois Metropolitan Investment Fund (IMET)

- MOT 00-03647** J. Motion: Authorize Award of Grants as Recommended by the Community Grants Commission
- Sponsors:** Finance and Community Grants
- Summary of Item:** This authorizes the award of the following grants:  
DGHS Mustang Band Boosters, Marching Mustang Music Bowl - \$5,000  
DG Kiwanis Club, Annual Easter Egg Hunt - \$500  
DG Concert Association, Concert Series: Artists Showcase West - \$11,000  
DG Area American Association of University Women, Used Book Sale - \$3,000  
New World Repertory Theatre, 2009 Season: "Betrayal," "Phaedra" and the 2009 Holiday Show - \$6,800  
The West Towns Chorus, 2009 Concert Series - \$5,000  
DG Downtown Management, Fine Arts Festival - \$3,000  
DG Friends of the Library, Storybook Character Celebration - \$400  
DG Rotary Club, Halloween Window Painting - \$1,819  
Grove Players, 2009 Production & Audience Development Campaign - \$8,300  
DG Area Newcomers Club, Justin Robers Children's Concert - \$1,400  
West Suburban Humane Society, Barkapalooza Walkathon and Pet Expo - \$2,000  
Midwest Ballet Theatre, Nutcracker Guest Artists and Costumes Project - \$8,400  
DG Choral Society, 2009 Concert Season & Outreach - \$15,000  
Senior Suburban Orchestra, DG Programming for 2009 - \$5,000  
SEASPAR, SEASPAR presents The Johnny Rogers Band - \$1,400  
After Hours Film Society, After Hours Film Society Student Short Film and Video Festival - \$1,500
- TOTAL - \$79,519

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

**Indexes:** Community Grants

- RES 00-03648** K. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with Sentinel Technologies, Inc.
- Sponsors:** Information Services
- Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND SENTINEL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
- RESOLUTION 2009-09
- A motion was made to Pass this file on the Consent Agenda.**

**Indexes:** Fire Department

- MOT 00-03649** L. Motion: Award \$81,144 to Wausau-Everest, L.P., New Berlin, Wisconsin, for the Purchase of Twelve (12) Wausau Model HSP4211H Home Safe Snow Plows
- Sponsors:** Public Works
- A motion was made to Award this file on the Consent Agenda.**
- Indexes:** Vehicle Purchases, Snow Equipment

- RES 00-03650** M. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with Alaniz Landscape Group, Inc.
- Sponsors:** Public Works

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND ALANIZ LANDSCAPE GROUP, INC.

RESOLUTION 2009-10

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

**Indexes:** Turf Maintenance

**RES 00-03651** N. Resolution: Authorize a Contract with North American Midway Entertainment (N.A.M.E.) d/b/a Astro Amusement Co.

**Sponsors:** Community Events Commission and Community Events

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN NORTH AMERICAN MIDWAY ENTERTAINMENT (N.A.M.E.) d/b/a ASTRO AMUSEMENT CO. AND THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE

RESOLUTION 2009-11

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

**Indexes:** Heritage Festival 2009

**RES 00-03652** O. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with the Downers Grove Rotary Club

**Sponsors:** Community Events Commission and Community Events

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND THE DOWNERS GROVE ROTARY CLUB

RESOLUTION 2009-12

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

**Indexes:** Heritage Festival 2009

**RES 00-03653** P. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with J. Kyle Braid Leadership Program

**Sponsors:** Community Events Commission and Community Events

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND J. KYLE BRAID LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 2009-13

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

**Indexes:** Heritage Festival 2009

**RES 00-03654** Q. Resolution: Authorize a First Amendment & Reinstatement to License Agreement with Chicago SMA Limited Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless to Install, Maintain and Operate Antenna Equipment on Village Property

**Sponsors:** Village Attorney

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A FIRST AMENDMENT & REINSTATEMENT TO LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND CHICAGO SMA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS TO INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE ANTENNA EQUIPMENT ON VILLAGE PROPERTY

RESOLUTION 2009-14

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

**Indexes:** Antenna Equipment

**RES 00-03655** R. Resolution: Authorize a Third Amendment to Grant Agreement for Eminent Domain Services for the Downers Grove Grade Separation Project Contract No. K00419 with the Commuter Rail Division of the Regional Transportation Authority

**Sponsors:** Village Attorney

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A THIRD AMENDMENT TO GRANT AGREEMENT FOR EMINENT DOMAIN SERVICES FOR THE DOWNERS GROVE GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT CONTRACT NO. K00419 BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND THE COMMUTER RAIL DIVISION OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION 2009-15

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

**Indexes:** Metra, Belmont Road Grade Separation Project, Belmont Road Underpass

**MOT 00-03579** S. Motion: Authorize a Contract with Azavar Audit Solutions, Inc. for Municipal Utility Tax Audit Services

**Sponsors:** Finance

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

**Indexes:** Audit

**MOT 00-03658** T. Motion: Note Receipt of Minutes of Boards and Commissions

**Summary of Item:** Library Board - December 12, 2008

Liquor Commission - October 2, 2008

Plan Commission - December 1, 2008

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

**Indexes:** Boards and Commissions Minutes

### **Passed The Consent Agenda**

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

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

## **7. Active Agenda**

**ORD 00-03656** A. Ordinance: Authorize a Special Use Amendment for Midwestern University, 555 31st Street, to Permit an Addition to an Existing Structure and for the Construction of a New Science Building

**Sponsors:** Community Development and Plan Commission

**Summary of Item:** At their meeting of December 1, 2008, the Plan Commission recommended that a Special Use be granted to permit an addition to an existing structure and for the construction of a new science building for Midwestern University located at 555 31st Street.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL USE AMENDMENT FOR MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY, 555 31ST STREET, TO PERMIT AN ADDITION TO AN EXISTING STRUCTURE AND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SCIENCE BUILDING

ORDINANCE NO. 5035

**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 Waldack, Commissioner Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

**Indexes:** Special Use - Midwestern University

**ORD 00-03657** B. Ordinance: Adopt a Facade Improvement Policy and Accept the Downtown Design Guidelines

**Sponsors:** Community Development

**Summary of Item:** This adopts a Downtown facade improvement policy and accepts the Downtown Design Guidelines.

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A FACADE IMPROVEMENT POLICY

ORDINANCE NO. 5036

*Commissioner Waldack thanked staff for adding the language as requested, following last week's Workshop meeting.*

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

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

**Indexes:** TIF, Facade Improvement Policy

**ORD 00-03596** C. Ordinance: Amend Parking Restrictions on Loomes Avenue

**Sponsors:** Public Works and Transportation and Parking Commission

**Summary of Item:** This amends parking provisions on a portion of Loomes Avenue.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON LOOMES AVENUE

ORDINANCE NO. 5037

*Mayor Sandack said he received two e-mails today from residents objecting to the request. This was a petition driven request from neighbors in the area. The matter was properly reviewed, and he will vote in favor of it.*

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

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

**Indexes:** Parking Restrictions, Parking Restrictions - Loomes Avenue



**ORD 00-03593**

D. Ordinance: Establish Parking Restrictions on Cumnor Road

**Sponsors:** Public Works and Transportation and Parking Commission

**Summary of Item:** This establishes parking restrictions on Cumnor Road.

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON CUMNOR ROAD

ORDINANCE NO. 5038

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

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

**Indexes:** Parking Restrictions - Cumnor Road, Parking Restrictions

**ORD 00-03592**

E. Ordinance: Amend Parking Regulations on Florence Avenue

**Sponsors:** Public Works and Transportation and Parking Commission

**Summary of Item:** This amends parking provisions on a portion of Florence Avenue.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARKING REGULATIONS ON FLORENCE AVENUE

ORDINANCE NO. 5039

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

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

**Indexes:** Parking Regulations

## 8. Mayor's Report

### Materials to be Received

### Materials to be Placed on File

## 9. Manager's Report

*Manager Fieldman referred to Item S on the Consent Agenda, which was a contract with Azavar Audit Solutions, saying that Commissioner Durkin had questions regarding the item and made suggestions that were incorporated into the contract. The modifications requested were made.*

*The Mayor noted that in this case, they are only paid if successful in collecting funds for the Village.*

## 10. Attorney's Report

### Waive the One-Week Waiting Period of Consider New Business

*Village Attorney Enza Petrarca asked the Council to consider waiving the one-week waiting period to consider new business with respect to two ordinances related to the Main Street/Prairie Avenue Right-of-Way Project/First Illinois Bank & Trust #10189 (Ring) Parcel*

*Commissioner Durkin moved to waive the one-week waiting period to consider new business. Commissioner Beckman seconded the Motion.*

**VOTE: YEA: Commissioners Durkin, Beckman, Neustadt, Waldack, Schnell; Mayor Sandack**

*Mayor Sandack declared the Motion carried.*

**ORD 00-03659** Ordinance: Authorize the Acquisition of Property Known as the Main Street/Prairie Avenue Right-of-Way Project/First Illinois Bank & Trust #10189 (Ring) Parcel

**Sponsors:** Village Attorney

**Summary of Item:** This authorizes the acquisition of the Ring parcel located at 4800 Main Street in relation to the Main Street/Prairie Avenue Right-of-Way Acquisition Project.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 5040

**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 Waldack, Commissioner Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

**Indexes:** Village Property - Acquisition, Prairie Avenue Reconstruction

**ORD 00-03660** Ordinance: Provide for the Settlement and Closing of the Property Known as the Main Street/Prairie Avenue Right-of-Way Project/First Illinois Bank & Trust #10189 (Ring) Parcel

**Sponsors:** Village Attorney

**Summary of Item:** This authorizes the execution of a settlement agreement regarding the Ring parcel located at 4800 Main Street in relation to the Main Street/Prairie Avenue Right-of-Way Acquisition Project.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SETTLEMENT AND CLOSING OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE MAIN STREET/PRAIRIE AVENUE RIGHT-OF-WAY PROJECT/FIRST ILLINOIS BANK & TRUST #10189 (RING) PARCEL

ORDINANCE NO. 5041

*Attorney Petrarca said this was the last parcel for the intersection of Prairie and Main, and all documents will be delivered to IDOT tomorrow.*

**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 Waldack, Commissioner Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack

**Indexes:** Village Property - Acquisition, Prairie Avenue Reconstruction

## 11. Council Member Reports and New Business

*Commissioner Neustadt thanked Sue Brassfield and Steve Sanderson for all of their work with the Community Grants projects. The petitioners were invited to attend all meetings. The Grants Commission has identified a few more modifications to specific applications, and they intend to call another meeting before the end of the school year.*

*The Mayor acknowledged that the Council members nodded their heads in support of this request.*

*Reports*

*Commissioner Durkin showed pictures of his son, Gavin, born December 18, and expressed his appreciation for all the kind words and advice.*

*Commissioner Waldack said that today is a very special day with the Inauguration. Regardless of politics, it is a very exciting as well as trying time. He asked for God's blessings on Downers Grove and on the United States of America.*

*Commissioner Neustadt said that the Public Safety Committee met last night and discussed the Crossing Guard programs. There are 19 locations where crossing guards are needed. The Committee is seeking public service options for volunteerism, and they will prepare a report for the Council.*

*Mayor Sandack commented that when he was elected he said he would be switching the liaisons with Board and Commissions from time to time. He has asked the Council members to specify their preferences.*

*The Mayor also expressed his hopes for a peaceful transition of power in our country. It was a wonderful moment in history to witness.*

## **12. Adjournment**

*Commissioner Durkin moved to adjourn. Commissioner Beckman seconded the Motion.*

*Mayor Sandack declared the Motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.*