



Village of Downers Grove Meeting Minutes Downers Grove Village Council

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

Tuesday, December 15, 2009

7:00 pm

Council Chambers

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 Bob Barnett, Commissioner William Waldack, Commissioner Sean P. Durkin, Commissioner Bruce E. Beckman, Commissioner Geoff Neustadt and Mayor Ron Sandack

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

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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 - December 1, 2009

Workshop Meeting - December 8, 2009

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

Capital Projects Update

4. Public Comments and Questions

A. Comments and Questions on Active Agenda

Bill Wrobel, 7800 Queens Ct., commented that he took note of Commissioner Durkin's statement at the last meeting regarding the Change Order for McCollum Park. He said this item is not on this week's Active Agenda, but is under the Attorney's Report and staff will request the one-week waiting period be waived. He said he has spoken before about change orders. Mr. Wrobel commented that we have a Congress now with nothing in the budget engaged in deficit spending, somewhat like this Village Council. Stormwater is like this as the Village borrowed the money for those projects. He heard last week that a change order is standard operating procedure and happens all the time, and is accepted. He does not understand how this could be a public park operated by the Park District, and substandard material was not found previously. He said he thought this should have been determined previously and asked if the Council has heard back from staff about this. Mr. Wrobel wanted to know why it is so important and costly.

The Mayor responded that this item was Workshopped twice. He said this is not deficit spending. Bonds were issued with specific revenue sources identified to repay the bonds. As for the cause, the Council did inquire why this happened. Staff said that the contractor did not do borings for the entire field, but only for small portions. As they were digging they found unsuitable soil. The IEPA requires this type of testing, and unacceptable field conditions such as this occur on the spot. In the aggregate for 2009, the Change Orders are to the benefit of the Village. The work in this case has already been done. The Village is putting its water on the property.

Mr. Fieldman responded that the soil was unsuitable in that it is wet and silty and will not support the end use of a soccer field.

The Mayor noted that this is the Village's responsibility, under the terms of the intergovernmental contract between the Village and Park District.

B. Comments and Questions on General Matters

Tom LeCren commented on the budget and said that he thought that everyone can be reasonably proud of the process. He suggested that the Council critique the process among themselves. He said the budget was well done, and they should be proud of themselves. He wished the Council a Merry Christmas as well as extended best wishes to the staff.

Mayor Sandack responded that they intend to critique this, and it would be done in a public meeting.

5. Public Hearings

6. Consent Agenda

COR 00-03971 A. Claim Ordinance: No. 5825, Payroll, December 4, 2009

Sponsors: Accounting

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

Indexes: N/A

BIL 00-03972 B. List of Bills Payable: No. 5978, December 15, 2009

Sponsors: Accounting

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

Indexes: N/A

RES 00-03973 C. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with Chubb Group of Insurance Companies

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND CHUBB GROUP OF INSURANCE COMPANIES

RESOLUTION 2009-111

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

Indexes: Insurance - Health, Employee

RES 00-03974 D. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement and Addendum Agreement with Creative Care Management, Ltd.

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT AND ADDENDUM AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND CREATIVE CARE MANAGEMENT, LTD.

RESOLUTION 2009-112

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

Indexes: Employee Benefits

RES 00-03975 E. Resolution: Authorize an Addendum to an Administrative Services Contract with Delta Dental of Illinois

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ADDENDUM TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND DELTA DENTAL OF ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION 2009-113

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

Indexes: Insurance - Health, Employee

RES 00-03976 F. Resolution: Authorize an Addendum to the Group Vision Contract with Tru Assure

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ADDENDUM TO THE GROUP VISION CONTRACT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND TRU ASSURE

RESOLUTION 2009-114

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

Indexes: Insurance - Health, Employee

RES 00-03977 G. Resolution: Authorize an Addendum to an Agreement with Professional Benefit Administrators, Inc.

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ADDENDUM TO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND PROFESSIONAL BENEFIT ADMINISTRATORS, INC.

RESOLUTION 2009-115

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

Indexes: Insurance - Health, Employee, Employee Benefits

RES 00-03978 H. Resolution: Authorize an Addendum to an Agreement with Genesis Employee Benefits, Inc. d/b/a America's Veba Solution

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ADDENDUM TO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND GENESIS EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, INC. d/b/a AMERICA'S VEBA SOLUTION

RESOLUTION 2009-116

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

Indexes: Insurance - Health, Employee

RES 00-03979 I. Resolution: Authorize an Employer Enrollment Agreement with BeneScript, Inc.

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN EMPLOYER ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND BENESCRIP, INC.

RESOLUTION 2009-117

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

Indexes: Insurance - Health, Employee

RES 00-03980 J. Resolution: Authorize Plan Amendments to the Village of Downers Grove Group Health Plan

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF PLAN AMENDMENTS TO THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE GROUP HEALTH PLAN

RESOLUTION 2009-118

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

Indexes: Insurance - Health, Employee

RES 00-03981 K. Resolution: Authorize a Letter of Extension with Advocate Health Partners

Sponsors: Human Resources

Summary of Item: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LETTER OF EXTENSION BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND ADVOCATE HEALTH PARTNERS

RESOLUTION 2009-119

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

Indexes: Insurance - Health, Employee

MOT 00-03982 L. Motion: Renew Class A Scavenger License to Republic Services, Inc. for 2010 Calendar Year

Sponsors: Deputy Village Manager

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

Indexes: Refuse, Recycling, Yard Waste Services

BID 00-03983 M. Bid: Award a Contract to Ray O'Herron Company, Inc. for Police Equipment and Police Uniforms, Effective January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010

Sponsors: Police Department

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

Indexes: Police Equipment, Police Uniforms

BID 00-03984 N. Bid: Award \$134,083.63 to Classic Fence, Oswego, IL, for Water Systems Security Enhancements Project

Sponsors: Public Works

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

Indexes: Water System

BID 00-03985 O. Bid: Award \$322,193.00 to Naperville Excavating Co., of Naperville, IL, for Wallbank Avenue Drainage Improvements

Sponsors: Public Works

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

Indexes: Drainage Improvements

MOT 00-04001 P. Motion: Note Receipt of Minutes of Boards and Commissions

Summary of Item: Plan Commission - November 2, 2009

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 Schnell, seconded by Commissioner Barnett, that the consent agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7. Active Agenda

ORD 00-03986 A. Ordinance: Amend the Home Rule Municipal Retailers Occupation Tax

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: This will amend the home rule municipal retailers occupation tax.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HOME RULE MUNICIPAL RETAILERS OCCUPATION TAX

ORDINANCE NO. 5 103

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

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

Indexes: Home Rule Municipal Retailers Occupation Tax

ORD 00-03987 B. Ordinance: Amend Community Grants Funding

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: This will amend provisions for community grant funding.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING COMMUNITY GRANTS FUNDING

ORDINANCE NO. 5 104

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

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

Indexes: Community Grants

RES 00-03988 C. Resolution: Amend the Taxi Fare Subsidy Program for Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: This will amend provisions for the taxi fare subsidy program.

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TAXI FARE SUBSIDY PROGRAM FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

RESOLUTION 2009-120

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

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

Indexes: Taxi Program

ORD 00-03989 D. Ordinance: 2009 Aggregate Tax Levy

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: This will establish the 2009 Downers Grove Tax Levy in the amount of \$20,903,981.00 for the Village of Downers Grove and \$4,622,245.00 for the Library.

2009 AGGREGATE TAX LEVY ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 5 105

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 Barnett, Commissioner Durkin, Commissioner Beckman, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Sandack
Nay: Commissioner Schnell and Commissioner Waldack

Indexes: Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-03990 E. Ordinance: Levying of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Commencing on the First Day of January 2009 and Ending on the Thirty-First Day of December 2009 for Village of Downers Grove Special Service Area #2 (Downers Grove Downtown Service Area)

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: This will establish the Special Service Area #2 (Downtown Special Service Area) tax levy in the amount of \$261,859.00.

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVYING OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY 2009 AND ENDING ON THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER 2009 FOR VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE SPECIAL SERVICE AREA #2 (DOWNERS GROVE DOWNTOWN SERVICE AREA)

ORDINANCE NO. 5106

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

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

Indexes: Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-03991 F. Ordinance: Levying of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Commencing on the First Day of January 2009 and Ending on the Thirty-First Day of December 2009 for the Village of Downers Grove Special Service Area #3

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: This will establish the tax levy for the Prince Pond Special Service Area #3 in the amount of \$8,671.00.

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVYING OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY 2009 AND ENDING ON THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER 2009 FOR VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE SPECIAL SERVICE AREA #3

ORDINANCE NO. 5107

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

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

Indexes: Tax Levy - 2009

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 00-03992 through Ordinance 00-04000, Abatement Ordinances (Active Agenda Items G-O)

The adoption of the abatement ordinances as enumerated on the agenda will abate certain 2009 tax levies. The total amount to be abated is \$8,426,035.00. This amount can be abated since other sources of revenue are available to pay these debt service obligations.

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

ORD 00-03992 G. Ordinance: Abate a Portion of the 2009 Tax Levy Related to the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2000

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: AN ORDINANCE ABATING A PORTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEVY RELATED TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2000

ORDINANCE NO. 5108

A motion was made to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried.

Indexes: Tax Levy Abatement, Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-03993 H. Ordinance: Abate a Portion of the 2009 Tax Levy Related to the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2001

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: AN ORDINANCE ABATING A PORTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEVY RELATED TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2001

ORDINANCE NO. 5109

A motion was made to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried.

Indexes: Tax Levy Abatement, Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-03994 I. Ordinance: Abate a Portion of the 2009 Tax Levy Related to the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2002

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: AN ORDINANCE ABATING A PORTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEVY RELATED TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2002

ORDINANCE NO. 5110

A motion was made to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried.

Indexes: Tax Levy Abatement, Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-03995 J. Ordinance: Abate a Portion of the 2009 Tax Levy Related to the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2005

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: AN ORDINANCE ABATING A PORTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEVY RELATED TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2005

ORDINANCE NO. 5111

A motion was made to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried.

Indexes: Tax Levy Abatement, Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-03996 K. Ordinance: Abate a Portion of the 2009 Tax Levy Related to the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: AN ORDINANCE ABATING A PORTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEVY RELATED TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2007

ORDINANCE NO. 5 112

A motion was made to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried.

Indexes: Tax Levy Abatement, Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-03997 L. Ordinance: Abate a Portion of the 2009 Tax Levy Related to the General Obligation Bonds, 2008A

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: AN ORDINANCE ABATING A PORTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEVY RELATED TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2008A

ORDINANCE NO. 5 113

A motion was made to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried.

Indexes: Tax Levy Abatement, Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-03998 M. Ordinance: Abate a Portion of the 2009 Tax Levy Related to the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2008B

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: AN ORDINANCE ABATING A PORTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEVY RELATED TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2008B

ORDINANCE NO. 5 114

A motion was made to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried.

Indexes: Tax Levy Abatement, Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-03999 N. Ordinance: Abate a Portion of the 2009 Tax Levy Related to the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: AN ORDINANCE ABATING A PORTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEVY RELATED TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2009

ORDINANCE NO. 5 115

A motion was made to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried.

Indexes: Tax Levy Abatement, Tax Levy - 2009

ORD 00-04000 O. Ordinance: Abate a Portion of the 2009 Tax Levy Related to the General Obligation Water Bonds, Series 2001A

Sponsors: Manager's Office

Summary of Item: AN ORDINANCE ABATING A PORTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEY RELATED TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION WATER BONDS, SERIES 200 1A

ORDINANCE NO. 5 116

A motion was made to Adopt this file. Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried.

Indexes: Tax Levy Abatement

8. Mayor's Report

Materials to be Received

Materials to be Placed on File

9. Manager's Report

Manager Fieldman stated that this is the last meeting of 2009. The next meeting will be held on January 5, 2010.

10. Attorney's Report

Waive the One-Week Waiting Period to Consider New Business

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

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

MOT 00-04002

Motion: Authorize Change Order #3 for \$43,892.25 to Naperville Excavating for the McCollum Park Stormwater Improvement Project (SW-034)

Sponsors: Public Works

Summary of Item: This authorizes execution of Change Order #3 in the amount of \$43,892.25 to Naperville Excavating for the McCollum Park Stormwater Improvement Project (SW-034).

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

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

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

11. Council Member Reports and New Business

Commissioner Beckman commented that this has been an extraordinary year everywhere. The national economic situation has caused everyone, including the Council, to rethink how they conduct business; however, he said that we are in a period of reflection and a time of rebirth. He asked everyone to keep those they love as safe as they can from harm. He asked that people share with each other, and extended Happy Holidays to everyone.

Commissioner Neustadt asked the public to remember that police and firefighters serve and protect the residents 365 days a year. He extended a special Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to them, as well as to the Council and residents.

Commissioner Waldack said he mentioned a few weeks ago that the Council is a group of community leaders. In a community this size, there are many leaders, including religious leaders. He recognized Reverend Laura and Reverend Bill Hoglund of the First Congregational Church of Christ. Rev. Laura has served for 33 years, and Rev. Bill for 16 years. Their work has extended beyond their congregation. Commissioner Waldack said that December 24 will be their last service in Downers Grove, as they are moving to LaCrosse, Wisconsin. Reverend Bill has said he will refuse to become a Packers fan. Commissioner Waldack thanked them for their service to the community and extended best wishes to them.

Commissioner Barnett joined in wishing everyone a Merry Christmas. This is a good time to

remember those less fortunate and reach out to others. There is a lot for this community to be proud of. He said that he attended a Community Events Committee meeting today, and there was a roomful of people looking to contribute to our community.

Commissioner Schnell said that the Village is fortunate to have a great group of employees and volunteers. She extended happy holiday wishes to everyone.

Commissioner Durkin commented on the change order discussion, saying that Mr. Wrobel asked some good questions. There were many questions Commissioner Durkin said that he asked as well. He pointed out that due to the way the Village bids work, there will be times when a change order will be in the Village's favor. He said that information will be shared with the Council and the public. He thanked the staff for the research they did for him. He then asked that everyone mark their calendar for February 13 and February 14 when the Ice Festival will take place in the Central Business District with the help of the EDC, Downtown Management and the Chamber of Commerce. It will not be funded by the Village. He wished everyone a Happy Holiday season and a Merry Christmas.

Mayor Sandack thanked Laura and Bill Hoglund for all they have given to the community. They have been terrific members of the community. He said that Commissioner Durkin made a good point, noting that the void of the Ice Festival brought people together to act quickly and preserve this event and find funds to make it happen. He hopes the same will occur for Heritage Festival, the bike race and other community events. In Downers Grove, the best is yet to come in terms of community events. He thanked his colleagues, staff, residents, neighbors and friends for all they've done for the Village, and extended wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

12. Adjournment

Commissioner Schnell moved to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Section 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act to consider pending litigation. Commissioner Barnett seconded.

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

Mayor Sandack declared the motion carried and the Council convened into Executive Session at 7:28 p.m.