



# Village of Downers Grove Meeting Minutes Downers Grove Village Council

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Tuesday, June 19, 2012

7:00 pm

Council Chambers

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## 1. Call to Order

*Mayor Martin Tully 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 Tully 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 Becky Rheintgen, Commissioner Geoff Neustadt and Mayor Martin Tully

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 of a general matter. 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. Finally, an opportunity is given for public comments and questions on items appearing on the Consent Agenda, the Active Agenda and the First Reading.*

*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 Tully 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 Council Meetings

*Council Meeting - June 12, 2012*

*Mayor Tully asked for a Motion to approve the minutes as submitted.*

*Commissioner Schnell moved to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Durkin seconded the motion.*

*The Mayor declared the Motion carried by voice vote.*

#### 4. Public Comments - General Comments on Matters Not Appearing on Tonight's Agenda

*Bill Wrobel, 7800 Queens Court, expressed concerns about his neighborhood. He said that he sent an e-mail to the Village yesterday because vandals took an entrance marker and tipped it on its side. He asked for help to contact the neighbors in his subdivision to work with the Downers Grove and Darien police departments to solve this problem. He asked for a Neighborhood Watch. There were no tire tracks visible, and it was a deliberate effort by vandals. This is a threat to the quality of life in Downers Grove.*

*Mr. Wrobel then addressed another issue, saying that the Council has done an outstanding job dealing with ComEd. He said he was home on Sunday when one of his children was unable to reach him by phone. Mr. Wrobel called AT&T and was told the problem would be resolved by end of day Monday. He asked for an update today and was told that the problem should be solved by Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. He said AT&T said they had assigned a technician to his case. Mr. Wrobel said that the line is not coming into his house. AT&T told him that he would be billed \$99 for a service call. Mr. Wrobel said that his phone was not available Sunday, Monday or Tuesday. This is an issue of public health, welfare and safety. He asked the Mayor to direct staff to determine if other residents are having the same experience.*

*Mayor Tully said he was sorry to hear of this incident; however, he is not aware of a rash of incidents. The ComEd situation affected many homes.*

*Mr. Wrobel said he would make AT&T aware of the problem of service interruption and asked that the Village do so as well.*

*The Mayor responded that if the situation crosses from a private incident to public the Village would get involved. The Mayor further responded to the act of vandalism, saying that the Village's Police Department will work on this.*

*Commissioner Waldack commented that ComEd is a single provider of electricity service in the Village, so the Village has a different relationship with them than an individual has with a phone provider that can be switched. He experienced a similar situation over Memorial Day.*

*Commissioner Durkin commented that he noticed a similar vandalism situation at The Darien Club over the weekend.*

#### 5. Public Hearings

#### 6. Consent Agenda

**COR 00-04933** A. Claim Ordinance: No. 5955, Payroll, June 1, 2012 and No. 5957, June 15, 2012

**Sponsors:** Accounting

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

**Indexes:** N/A

**BIL 00-04934** B. List of Bills Payable: No. 5984, June 19, 2012

**Sponsors:** Accounting

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

**Indexes:** N/A

- BID 00-04917** C. Bid: Award a Contract Not to Exceed \$1,734,912.38 to James D. Fiala Paving Company, Inc., Bolingbrook, IL, for 2012 Resurfacing (B) Project  
**Sponsors:** Public Works  
**A motion was made to Approve this file. Mayor declared the motion carried.**  
**Indexes:** Streets
- BID 00-04918** D. Bid: Award \$1,312,022.56 to H. Linden & Sons Sewer & Water, Inc., Yorkville, IL, for 2012 Water Main Improvements Contract B  
**Sponsors:** Public Works  
**A motion was made to Approve this file. Mayor declared the motion carried.**  
**Indexes:** Water Main Improvements
- BID 00-04919** E. Bid: Award \$954,210 to Am-Coat Painting, Inc., Homer Glen, IL, for the Maple Avenue Water Tower Repainting Project  
**Sponsors:** Public Works  
**A motion was made to Approve this file. Mayor declared the motion carried.**  
**Indexes:** Water Tower - 2304 Maple
- RES 00-04922** F. Resolution: Approve the Final Plat of Subdivision for 5310 Meadow Lane  
**Sponsors:** Plan Commission and Community Development  
**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR 5310 MEADOW LANE  
  
RESOLUTION 2012-41  
**A motion was made to Pass this file on the Consent Agenda.**  
**Indexes:** Subdivision - 5310 Meadow Lane
- RES 00-04940** G. Resolution: Approve the Final Plat of Subdivision for 629 Gierz Street  
**Sponsors:** Community Development and Plan Commission  
**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR 629 GIERZ STREET  
  
RESOLUTION 2012-42  
**A motion was made to Pass this file on the Consent Agenda.**  
**Indexes:** Subdivision - 629 Gierz Street
- RES 00-04941** H. Resolution: Approve the Final Plat of Subdivision for 824 Franklin Street  
**Sponsors:** Community Development and Plan Commission  
**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR 824 FRANKLIN STREET  
  
RESOLUTION 2012-43  
**A motion was made to Pass this file on the Consent Agenda.**

**Indexes:** Subdivision - 824 Franklin Street

**RES 00-04942** I. Resolution: Approve the Final Plat of Subdivision for 4112 Elm Street  
**Sponsors:** Community Development and Plan Commission  
**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR 4112 ELM STREET

RESOLUTION 2012-44

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

**Indexes:** Subdivision - 4112 Elm Street

**RES 00-04938** J. Resolution: Confirm Execution of a Master Power Supply Agreement with FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. re: Electric Aggregation  
**Sponsors:** Manager's Office  
**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING EXECUTION OF A MASTER POWER SUPPLY AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND FIRSTENERGY SOLUTIONS CORP. TO PROVIDE FULL-REQUIREMENTS ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE VILLAGE'S ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 2012-45

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

**Indexes:** Electrical Aggregation

**RES 00-04943** K. Resolution: Authorize Submittal of Grant Application to the US Department of Homeland Security for 2012 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program  
**Sponsors:** Fire Department  
**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF GRANT APPLICATION TO THE US DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR 2012 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 2012-46

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

**Indexes:** Firefighters Grant Program

**RES 00-04944** L. Resolution: Authorize a First Amendment and Restatement to License Agreement - 3301 Finley  
**Sponsors:** Village Attorney  
**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A FIRST AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT TO LICENSE AGREEMENT - 3301 Finley

RESOLUTION 2012-47

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

**Indexes:** Antenna Equipment, Well House - Finley

**RES 00-04945** M. Resolution: Authorize a First Amendment and Restatement to License Agreement - 5235 Katrine

**Sponsors:** Village Attorney

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A FIRST AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT TO LICENSE AGREEMENT - 5235 Katrine

RESOLUTION 2012-48

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

**Indexes:** Antenna Equipment, Well - Katrine, 5325 Katrine

**RES 00-04946** N. Resolution: Authorize a Second Amendment and Restatement to License Agreement - 4414 Downers Drive

**Sponsors:** Village Attorney

**Summary of Item:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SECOND AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT TO LICENSE AGREEMENT - 4414 Downers Drive

RESOLUTION 2012-49

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

**Indexes:** Antenna Equipment

**MOT 00-04939** O. Motion: Note Receipt of Minutes of Boards and Commissions

**Summary of Item:** Library Board - May 23, 2012

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

**Indexes:** Boards and Commissions Minutes

### **Passed The Consent Agenda**

*Tom LeCren, 545 Chicago Avenue, asked about the electric aggregation contract and the pricing guarantee in Section 4.1.3. He asked how the pricing guarantee works.*

*Mayor Tully responded that Section 4.1.3 gives the Village the option to continue if it chooses to do so, and this works in the Village's favor.*

*Mr. LeCren said that the contractor demanded individual contracts with Downers Grove and Westmont, and he asked what would happen if Westmont went in another direction. Village Attorney Enza Petrarca said they would have to honor the Village's contract.*

*Commissioner Schnell asked if they are still hoping to get the new rates in effect by August. Village Manager Dave Fieldman said that was correct.*

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

**Votes:** Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Barnett, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner Durkin, Commissioner Rheintgen, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Tully

## **7. Active Agenda**

**MOT 00-04915** A. Motion: Approve 2013-2015 Long Range Financial Plan

**Sponsors:** Manager's Office

**Summary of Item:** This approves the 2013-2015 Long Range Financial Plan.

*Commissioner Neustadt said that the LRF is working well and has been in the works for a long*

time. He noted that the Village has lots of dedicated funding mechanisms in place for revenues.

Commissioner Waldack commented that the Council has not always voted on this. This is not a vote for all past or future actions. He said that no organization should base their actions on expediency. Future decisions may deviate from the plan with good reason. This is a framework and he will support this.

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

**Votes:** Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Barnett, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner Durkin, Commissioner Rheintgen, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Tully

**Indexes:** Long Range Financial Plan

## **ORD 00-04923**

B. Ordinance: Approve a Final Planned Development Amendment to Planned Development #19 to Permit a Third Monument Sign at Good Samaritan Hospital

**Sponsors:** Community Development and Plan Commission

**Summary of Item:** This approves a final planned development amendment to Planned Development #19 to permit a third monument sign at Good Samaritan Hospital.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A FINAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT #19 TO PERMIT A THIRD MONUMENT SIGN AT GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL

ORDINANCE NO. 5270

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

**Votes:** Yea: Commissioner Schnell, Commissioner Barnett, Commissioner Waldack, Commissioner Durkin, Commissioner Rheintgen, Commissioner Neustadt and Mayor Tully

**Indexes:** Planned Development #19-Good Samaritan Hospital

## **8. First Reading**

### **MOT 00-04937**

A. Motion: Award a Contract for \$548,740.50 to ENCAP, Inc, Sycamore, IL, for Naturalization of Valley View Pond

**Sponsors:** Public Works

*Andy Sikich, Assistant Director of Public Works, said this contract concerns the Valley View Estates subdivision located at Main and 71st Street. He described the area, noting that 400 acres drain into the pond, which is 2-1/2 acres in size and is located in the Prentiss Creek drainage system. Mr. Sikich said that the pond has seriously deteriorated over time including shoreline erosion, sediment, a significant Canadian goose population that eats the foliage and leaves waste. There are water quality issues caused by algae blooming due to the shallow water level creating an odor and other negative conditions.*

*Mr. Sikich said the Village took ownership of this pond in 1988 from a non-performing developer. In response to resident complaints, the Village installed and operated aerators which have provided temporary relief to the situation. An amount of \$450,000 was included in the Community Investment Plan for what was anticipated to be a dredging project to clean the pond. As part of the Village's due diligence for this project, the accumulated sediment was tested in July 2011, and again in January 2012. The material does not meet EPA standards for re-use on other sites and would have to be brought to a landfill at an estimated cost of \$900,000. Staff has researched alternate options and the proposal is to return the pond back to a naturalized area system. Naturalization of the pond is the most sustainable option both financially and environmentally. He showed photographs of other pond naturalization projects that have been*

completed. The contract for \$548,740 is a one-time expense. Naturalization provides better water quality and wildlife habitat, as well as increased flood storage.

Mayor Tully opened the meeting to comments from the audience. He noted that everyone acknowledges that something needs to be done in that area. It is an intolerable situation and needs to be corrected.

1. Darryl Marasso, 6930 Waterfall Place, said a meeting was held about a month ago where many options were discussed. He suggested leaving the lake as it is and digging it out less than the 14 feet. Mayor Tully responded that there was a similar problem in Orchard Brook some years ago. There were two ponds set up for maintenance by the Homeowners Association. The ponds had to be dredged repeatedly, so finally a sustainable solution was sought. The sustainability aspect is probably the most important. Mr. Marasso said that there is little maintenance done by the Village on this pond. He asked if the Park District could be given responsibility. Mr. Fieldman said this was explored a couple of years ago and the Park District did not want to accept it. Mr. Marasso said many of the residents had interesting solutions to the problem.

2. John Peters, 1041 Robey, referenced the property values and asked whether a study has been done regarding the real estate values. The Mayor said there was not a study done. Mr. Peters said it appears there are two options - the staff proposal or dredging the pond. He asked if there are toxicity reports. He lives on the east side of the pond and asked about the landfill on that side.

Mr. Fieldman responded that this would be a design build contract. Staff would accept comments from the neighbors.

The Mayor commented that in its current state it is not a problem, but if you dig it up you cannot put the sediment just anywhere. The law specifies that it has to be placed in a landfill, but there is no hazardous situation right now. Mr. Fieldman said that the Village has test results and can make them available.

Mr. Peters commented that in storms the water rises six feet. He asked if they put a landfill in, what would keep water from going into his home.

Mayor Tully replied that the design is not final. He suspects that there will be a channel. The Manager said they would expand the amount of storage. It would be designed to enhance drainage and storage.

Mr. Peters then asked about plantings and who would maintain them. In 20 years he has never seen one Village employee work in that area. He commented that if this were Barth or Prince Pond they wouldn't be talking about this. The residents want the pond the way they found it.

3. Roger Genschoreck, 6900 Robey, said he has lived one block away from the pond since July 1980. The pond has been neglected. It was dredged in 1978. At a meeting in May residents were presented with an option of correcting the situation and it was called a marsh. He defined a marsh as a wetland or a bog. He said staff has glorified the term by calling it naturalization. At the meeting they were told that the water was affected by PNAs (polynuclear aeromatics). In PNAs there are chemical makeups from motor fuels. He noted that any pond in Downers Grove would have these. Mr. Genschoreck asked that this be remanded back to the engineering department with the comments that naturalization is not acceptable. It is a lose/lose situation, with only the contractor winning. He also asked for a three-dimensional drawing of what the project will look like. Once this is completed it might look beautiful from the front but be a marsh from the back. This needs to be further studied to provide a win/win situation.

4. Len Prokop, 1051 Robey Avenue, expressed concerns about the pond. He said the Park

District borders the west end of the pond and has taken away the barrier that protects the pond. The debris is horrible. Mr. Prokop referenced an e-mail from Mr. Sikich that to truly solve this problem the pond needs to be dredged. There is a terrible sewer smell from the pond. The aerator was a waste of money because the pond is so shallow. The shallow areas with plantings will trap water. Mr. Prokop said he has been calling the Village for years asking for help. He also referenced the number of mosquitoes and West Nile disease. He said that he's asked the Village to dredge the pond and form an island in the middle, but was told that would not work. At one time the entire top of the pond was covered with dead fish due to the lack of water in the pond.

5. Ron Zarek, 1110 Valley View Drive, said he appreciates the efforts that are being made. He asked for a show of hands of those who support the proposal. No one supported it. He said a 40-year pond versus painting of the water tower is a question of what has greater value. The homeowners have spent tens of thousands of dollars to create an ambience. Water will be dumped in the middle of the pond. This would turn into a wildlife preserve. Residents have maintained this pond for 40 years to the best of their ability. Downers Grove had to take this because the Park District would not. The proposal is a short-term fix and he asked the Council to ask for alternate options.

6. Helga Seno, 1140 Valley View, said she moved into that property in 1985. They pay taxes to two parks. The lake area has never been mowed or maintained by the Village. It is not just a neighborhood lake. The Village owns it and it catches stormwater. Oil from cars has been piling up. She would like to see the State findings on the quality of the water. They also want to know which state agency establishes the requirements. Mrs. Seno said this needs to be cleared up. At the last meeting only homeowners on the lake received notice. Sixty homes are directly affected by it, and this benefits the whole Village.

7. Dave Young, 1111 Robey, said he bought his house because it is on a lake, not a swamp. He asked if the water will rise six feet in storms. Mr. Sikich said the problem will not be worse post project.

The Mayor said he heard that the water will not rise six feet. He explained that the Village is not trying to solve one problem and create more problems.

Mr. Young said if the water rises, the fish will die on the marshland unless they are taken out of the lake. In 2010 the Village tried to kill the algae but actually killed thousands of fish. He asked what this proposal will do to the water table for their houses, and to the foundations of their homes.

Mayor Tully replied that it would be a stormwater issue and would be investigated.

Mr. Young said they haven't seen what it will look like with their houses.

8. Anthony Darrus, 1061 Robey, is on the channel of the lake. If the water level is raised it will affect the retention walls. The lake does not freeze. He is concerned about raising the land. The lake needs to be dredged. It is a cesspool.

9. Janice Sinnick, 6910 Robey, said she lives on the pond and asked about the quotes for dredging. Mr. Fieldman said that the cost is an estimate by staff. No bids were taken.

Mayor Tully said they could go out to bid for options.

Ms. Sinnick said they are here to try and save the pond.

Mayor Tully explained that the Village inherited this against its will and is trying to figure out how to deal with it.



10. Deb Eskstrom, 6950 Waterfall Place, showed the level of water on one of the slides provided by Mr. Sikich. She explained that it was three feet higher after a rainstorm. Ms. Eskstrom bought the house in 1988 and would not have bought it if it was a marsh.

11. David Wilson, 1031 Robey, commented that the water quality is so bad it is like a sewer. They need to do some water plantings to improve the quality of the water, and they need a compromise. A marshland is not the answer. The pond is a selling point of the homes, and they would like the Village to look at more alternatives and conduct a thorough study. It needs to be dredged. The shallow end has 1" of water.

12. Louis Stanakaitis, 6910 Waterfall, said that he moved in six years ago. He paid a huge premium for his house. He kayaks on the lake. This solution would eliminate fish. Mr. Stanakaitis talked about the quality of life around the pond and spoke about birds, such as several herons, that come to the pond because of the fish. This is a retention pond whose purpose is to collect silt or garbage from 400 acres. Their budget should include funds to maintain it.

Mayor Tully replied for clarification that this was supposed to be the developer's responsibility and they did not make good on their promise. It was the private developer's responsibility and that developer is now gone. The Village is saddled with the obligation. The Village has to be prudent and is listening to the residents. He noted that the Village has to balance the neighborhood and the Village. This is not a nature situation; it is a man-made problem that was not planned for.

Mr. Stanakaitis said he knows someone who may want to bid on dredging this. The Mayor said they would love to see a proposal. Mr. Stanakaitis said the swamp in the backyard provides no place for kids to play.

13. Mark Wicklein, 1151 Robey, commented that he purchased his house because of the pond. He asked what budget has been spent to look at the options. The Manager said that they can provide the numbers. Mr. Wicklein questioned whether there are more options and asked when they will be available. Wetlands are the least desirable solution.

14. Yoge Desai, 6940 Waterfall Place, said he has lived here 20 years. The lake adds to the beauty of the Village and increases the value of the homes and the Village. The pond has not been taken care of. He agrees that they need to explore other options, and to him the best option is dredging.

Mayor Tully said that he thinks the Village understands that the neighborhood option is to dredge and restore the pond. They will explore whether that is a feasible option.

15. Diane Vida, 1171 Robey, said that the people around the lake are not the only ones who enjoy the pond. In 30 years nothing has been done to maintain it. People come from other neighborhoods to enjoy the pond. The Park District was supposed to take the pond. She does not want a swampland behind her house, and she asked for another alternative. The water has come over her 4.5' retaining wall twice.

16. Carol Canniff, 1071 Robey, said she found an article about silt samples in Barth pond. She asked why Barth pond could be dredged but not their pond.

Mayor Tully said that there are important differences. It is a different situation. This is in a private area. Barth Pond is in the middle of Park District property and involved intergovernmental agreements.

17. Frank Falesch, 820 Prairie, said that Village staff did the dredging estimate. This probably

*deserves another attempt to get prices. He doesn't think it was designed for 75th Street retention.*

*18. Robert Shaw, 1181 Robey, asked what will happen next. The Mayor said that the Council will have an opportunity to ask questions and make comments. He does not know what will happen next, but there will be no action taken tonight.*

*19. Sheila Kasravi, 1141 Robey, said she moved to her house in 1985. The Park District used to mow and maintain the area. She asked why they stopped maintaining it. The pond hasn't been cared for for 40 years.*

*The Mayor said he thinks everyone agrees that something must be done.*

*20. A resident said the residents have been living with this a long time. He asked if it is possible to fund this over several years.*

*Mayor Tully then opened discussion to the members of the Council.*

*Commissioner Barnett noted that what happens next is not predetermined. The Council is taking down the information. Regardless of the solution, they have heard concerns about stormwater. The process to do any option requires compliance with the County and the State, which should improve the stormwater handling and capability. With regard to Barth and Prince ponds, the SSA helps fund Prince Pond. Regarding the water tower comparisons, not painting and maintaining a water tower is not an option. He asked that they try and keep the facts straight as much as possible.*

*Commissioner Barnett then asked staff about a slide that had a figure of \$150,000 and he asked about the starting point. Mr. Fieldman said the budget was \$150,000 a few years ago and that was then increased to \$450,000.*

*Commissioner Barnett then asked, once some work begins, if the volume of clean up is analogous to a gas station clean up. The Manager said this is not a "no further remediation" approach. They can remove or not remove as much as the Village wants.*

*Commissioner Barnett then asked about the fish kill statement. The Manager responded that in 2005 there were extreme heat and drought conditions. The fish kill was due to low water volumes and high temperatures. A couple years later there was an attempt to kill off the algae as well.*

*Commissioner Barnett said that the Village has several obligations that extend beyond this one neighborhood, one of which is to handle stormwater obligations. They will have to figure out how to provide a solution that is sustainable over time. Predictable funding is critical.*

*Commissioner Durkin asked whether dredging will address the issues of concern. Mr. Fieldman replied it would, but it is not sustainable and would last about 20-30 years.*

*Commissioner Durkin then asked who would maintain the natural solution, and the Manager said the Village would. They would not have to hire new people. In this case there would not be a controlled burn.*

*Commissioner Durkin said he wanted to have actual costs and wanted to know what the timeline is. The Manager said there are no actual costs, and as for the timeline, it is a pressing issue.*

*Commissioner Durkin then discussed an SSA to make up the difference between naturalization and dredging.*

*Mayor Tully said that they need a more definite and solid figure for dredging.*

*Commissioner Schnell asked about the estimate for dredging and whether it only covers the central part of the lake or includes the channels. Mr. Sikich responded that the estimate is to take the pond to a 5'-6' depth. They would take the channels as deep as possible. He added that channels would fill up faster and he would recommend a filter to assist with the cleaning.*

*Mr. Fieldman noted that there are two kinds of dredging. Mr. Sikich explained that there is hydraulic dredging which is less expensive, and mechanical dredging which digs out the sediment. Commissioner Schnell asked if there are a limited number of companies in the area that do that kind of work. Mr. Sikich responded that there are a limited number of firms. Prices are high due to trucking to haul sediment to a landfill.*

*Commissioner Schnell then referred to the dredging and wetland options and inquired whether the Village can ask ENCAP to redesign this for more open waterways and costs. The Manager replied that they can ask for a redesign. The spectrum is between wetlands and open water.*

*Commissioner Waldack noted that the Village wants to do what is right and best for the Village as a whole, and he then asked for the history of the pond.*

*Mr. Fieldman replied that the original plans called for the pond to be constructed to specific standards and the Park District would then take it over. It became a matter of litigation. The Village did not volunteer to take this on.*

*Commissioner Waldack said that work on the water tanks is a necessity. In terms of taxes, the effect of \$1 million comes to about \$40/property owner throughout the Village. He would be interested in exploring an SSA option. He then referenced the Village's stormwater duties. Regarding animals around the pond, they are everywhere in the Village, and it is not localized. The residents want to enjoy the pond, and it needs to be made safe. He thinks they need to explore all options, knowing they are all expensive. He asked for concrete estimates, and commented that he would like to know the effects of the long term dredging in order to think of the future.*

*Commissioner Rheintgen asked whether dredging would allow for use of the pond for ice-skating. Mr. Fieldman said he would like to review that. Commissioner Rheintgen then said that the Village needs to develop a plan for the future. Barth Pond is a totally different situation. It is open to the public and there are parking lots there. Robey is more private, however, the Village is committed to addressing this. The Commissioner said she would like to hear options about the SSA and how it would impact the residents.*

*Commissioner Neustadt commented that the Village is responsible for the pond and has been for years, and now the Village has to fix it. It is in poor shape. He agrees that the Village needs to be financially responsible. He sees one of the long-term solutions as naturalization because the maintenance is less. They need a plan and process in place for stormwater conveyance. This is a retention pond. The Village has done a lot of work to address stormwater. As for naturalization, it may bring new birds and wildlife to the area. He agrees that it is important to get the options available. He is cognizant of staff's time and asked about the time it would take.*

*Mr. Fieldman responded that he would like to work with Public Works to get an understanding of what's required.*

*Commissioner Neustadt stated that he trusts the estimates of staff. They have to be careful of staff's time. There have been neighborhood meetings held, and the Council has heard about the project from the Manager. He thanked the public for coming to the Village to share their concerns about the situation.*

*Commissioner Durkin asked about dredging, and Mr. Fieldman verified that it is for 5' of dredging. Commissioner Durkin then asked if they were to create an SSA, what the precise numbers would be. If they do not agree to an SSA, the only option may be naturalization.*

*Commissioner Schnell noted that they have not discussed an SSA with the residents. She asked what staff time would be used to ask ENCAP to do more work. The Manager said it would not require much staff time. He will put together a few options.*

*Mayor Tully thanked the residents for coming to the meeting. He said that this is about 1) how to make the situation sustainable; 2) precedence-this situation occurs more than they would like it to when developers use the retention pond as a selling point; and 3) cost of maintaining the pond in a responsible and prudent manner. He said it would be useful to know whether a bid would bring other sustainable solutions/options. This is a sizable project and may come up in other areas of the community. He is willing to make a reasonable investment of time and money. Staff has been asked to provide information about the soil and water quality. If there are better renderings available, he would like those provided. Another option raised may include having a contribution from the surrounding neighbors.*

*Mr. Fieldman commented that he will respond to the questions raised, and will keep the neighborhood and the Council informed.*

*Mayor Tully asked the neighbors to provide the Village with e-mail addresses to receive updates.*

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## **9. Mayor's Report**

### **ComEd Reliability Report**

*The Mayor said that this time last year severe weather lead to a Town Hall meeting and demand for improvements of service from ComEd.*

*The two final equipment upgrade projects that are intended to reduce the impact of tree contact and severe weather on overhead power lines are still in progress. The first is the replacement of 2,300 feet of overhead cable on the far south end of the Village, between Main Street and Fairview. The second is the on-going replacement of 3,600 feet of overhead cable in the far northern end of the Village, west of Highland.*

*Now that the projects are wrapping up, but the weather is more demanding on the electricity equipment, staff is keeping an eye on outages that do occur and remains in regular contact with representatives from ComEd. If the outages of similar frequency and duration continue to occur in areas where the equipment upgrades have been completed, Village staff will ask ComEd to submit additional plans for improvement.*

*Another Town Hall meeting is planned with ComEd in the fall for both business and residential customers. All information on the ComEd status is posted on the Village's website.*

### **Materials to be Placed on File**

## **10. Manager's Report**

*Mr. Fieldman said that the Village Council meeting for Tuesday, July 3 has been cancelled. There will be only two meetings held in July.*

## **11. Attorney's Report**

### **Future Active Agenda**

## 12. Council Member Reports and New Business

*Commissioner Neustadt noted that the Village offers several cooling locations for the warmer weather. Those include the Recreation Center, Library, Village Hall, and Police Department lobby. He also welcomed the PGA Superstore into the Village.*

*Commissioner Rheintgen announced that the 4th of July Parade will originate at Main and Grant and head south to Warren at 12:45 p.m. There is a free concert scheduled after the parade.*

*Commissioner Durkin wished everyone a safe and happy 4th of July.*

*Commissioner Waldack commented on the construction area on Dunham Road. He addressed the peripheral damage issue from some of these projects, and thought that should be taken into consideration for future projects.*

*Mayor Tully said that June 21 is the start of summer and the beginning of Grove Fest through June 24. On June 24, the Park District will be sponsoring a 5-Mile race. He noted that many not-for-profit organizations will use this weekend for fund-raising events.*

*The Mayor wished everyone a Happy and Safe Independence Day.*

## 13. Adjournment

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

*VOTE: YEA - Commissioners Schnell, Durkin, Rheintgen, Barnett, Neustadt, Waldack, Mayor Tully*

*Mayor Tully declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.*