

MEETING OF JANUARY 21, 2009

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Village of Elwood, was called to order at 7:00 PM, January 21, 2009. All board members present.

Also present: Aimee Ingalls, Ed Graham and Nick Narducci

Meeting opened with Pledge to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Floyd Garrett, 801 Wyndstone – asked about the extension of Baseline Road, will Elwood pay for?

Aimee Ingalls – CenterPoint will pay. When completed, Elwood will maintain the road.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of Workshop of December 10, 2008 and the Regular Meeting of December 17, 2008 were presented.

A motion was made by Trustee Jones to approve the minutes of the Workshop of December 10, 2008 and the Regular Meeting of December 17, 2008. Motion was seconded by Trustee LaPaglia. All voted in favor of motion. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

The bills for the previous month were presented.

A motion was made by Trustee LaPaglia to approve bills as presented. Motion was seconded by Trustee Kucera. All voted in favor of motion. Motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CERTAIN VARIANCES RELATED TO THE ERECTION OF SIGNS FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE SHOPPES OF ELWOOD WITHIN THE ELWOOD TOWN CENTER SUBDIVISION

Trustee Matichak asked how long will the signs be up.

Aimee Ingalls – temporary signs.

A motion was made by Trustee Kucera to approve An Ordinance Granting Certain Variances Related to the Erection of Signs for Certain Property Commonly Known as the Shoppes of Elwood within the Elwood Town Center Subdivision. Motion seconded by Trustee Bernhard. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee LaPaglia – no, Trustee Matichak – yes, Trustee Wagner – yes. Motion carried. Ordinance 936

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 600 AND ADOPTING AN INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE VILLAGE OF ELWOOD

A motion was made by Trustee LaPaglia to approve An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance 600 and Adopting an Investment Policy for the Village of Elwood. Motion seconded by Trustee Kucera. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee LaPaglia – yes, Trustee Matichak – yes, Trustee Wagner – yes. Motion carried. Ordinance 937

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 920 AND ESTABLISHING AN AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FOR OVERWEIGHT VEHICLE PERMITS FOR THE VILLAGE OF ELWOOD

Trustee Wagner – what type of vehicles?

Aimee Ingalls – fee used for the maintenance of roads, there is a five ton limit, this is for the truck routes going into the intermodal, we are not amending anything on the trucks. We are asking to amend the administrative fee, from \$25.00 to \$12.00 per permit.

A motion was made by Trustee LaPaglia to approve An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 920 and Establishing an Amended Administrative Fee for Overweight Vehicle Permits for the Village of Elwood. Motion seconded by Trustee Kucera. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee LaPaglia – yes, Trustee Matichak – yes, Trustee Wagner – yes. Motion carried. Ordinance 938

NIMEC ENERGY CONSORTIUM – 2009 FEBRUARY BID

Nick Narducci – explained to negotiate electric rate, last year we saved \$10,000.00, the rate is for water and sewer only. Need your approval to participate in the bid, will always take the low bid, we have a specific time frame to bid.

A motion was made by Trustee Kucera to participate in the NIMEC Energy Consortium. Motion seconded by Trustee Bernhard. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee LaPaglia – yes, Trustee Matichak – yes, Trustee Wagner – yes. Motion carried.

MANHATTAN LIBRARY – Parcel of Land

Kim Ciuffini – you have received a letter from the Manhattan Public Library District. We are asking for your support to make the land within the Elwood Village Complex available to build the Elwood Public Library facility.

Aimee Ingalls – a non binding commitment, an agreement to hold property open to see if referendum passes and then look at it further after the referendum. Question is if it is a proper location for this use.

Ed Graham – survey of Trustees to see if they would consider the request for land.

Aimee Ingalls – not necessarily a donation of land, need to identify a site for referendum.

Survey of Trustees if land a proper location for use of a library. Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee LaPaglia – yes, Trustee Matichak – no, Trustee Wagner – yes.

DONATION – JACKSON TOWNSHIP TWILIGHTERS

A motion was made by Trustee LaPaglia to donate \$500.00 to the Jackson Township Twilighters. Motion seconded by Trustee Bernhard. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee LaPaglia – yes, Trustee Matichak – yes, Trustee Wagner – yes. Motion carried.

VACATION EXTENSION – Brandon Doden

Aimee Ingalls – this is allowable through the Employee Handbook to have a three month extension, option to allow him to use in the next three months.

A motion was made by Trustee LaPaglia to approve the three month vacation extension for Brandon Doden. Motion seconded by Trustee Jones. All voted in favor of motion. Motion carried.

BOARD REPORTS

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE – Trustee LaPaglia

Nothing to report

FINANCE – Trustee Kucera

Nothing to report, no meeting was held.

PUBLIC WORKS – Trustee Jones

Thanked the public works crew for a good job during our bad weather. Even the fire hydrants were cleared.

COMMUNITY EVENTS – Trustee Bernhard

Nothing to report

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR – Aimee Ingalls

Codification project almost completed. My report is in your packet.

Trustee Wagner asked why the basketball was cancelled.

Aimee Ingalls – not aware it was cancelled.

FINANCE – Nick Narducci

Nothing to report

POLICE – Chief Albert

No report

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR – Scott Haywood

New flags have been installed. Problem with getting salt delivered. No water main breaks.

Trustee Kucera – good job cleaning up from the ice storm of all the brush.

Question was asked about any complaints from Meadowbrook 5. Scott had one complaint.

EMC – Corey Byington

Some minor repairs were made. New lead man operator hired.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Trustee LaPaglia to go into Executive Session to discuss salaries and litigation. Motion seconded by Trustee Bernhard.

A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee LaPaglia – yes, Trustee Matichak – yes, Trustee Wagner – yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Matichak to go back in Open Session. Motion seconded by Trustee LaPaglia. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee LaPaglia – yes, Trustee Matichak – yes, Trustee Wagner – yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee LaPaglia to allow Finance and Aimee Ingalls to consider preliminary documents on salaries as projected with adjustments on documents. Motion seconded by Trustee Matichak. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – no, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – no, Trustee LaPaglia – yes, Trustee Matichak – yes, Trustee Wagner – yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee LaPaglia to adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Kucera. All voted in favor of motion. Motion carried.

Pat Buchenau
Village Clerk

