



MINUTES
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
October 8, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:08 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Craig B. Johnson, Trustees Patton L. Feichter, Jeffrey C. Franke, Sam L. Lissner, Christine K. Prochno and Stephen F. Schmidt

ABSENT: Trustee Nancy J. Czarnik

A Quorum was present.

Also Present: Village Manager Raymond R. Rummel, Village Attorney George B. Knickerbocker, and Village Clerk Loretta M. Murphy

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION (ELDER CARMELO BLANCAFLOR, TRINITY GOSPEL CHURCH)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2019 – Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting held on September 24, 2019 as submitted and dispense with the reading.

Moved by Trustee Lissner **Seconded by** Trustee Franke

VOICE VOTE

MOTION CARRIED

4. MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT

Mayor Johnson – Attended the following meetings:

October 3 – Illinois Tollway Executive Director Jose Alvarez Meet and Greet;

October 4 – Walmart's Grand Reopening, 801 Meacham Road;

October 4 – Juried Art Show at the Library for the Local Artists Wall in the atrium of Village Hall.

Elk Grove Cares Program – The Village was awarded a Governor's Hometown Award for the Elk Grove Cares Program. Elk Grove is one of 4 finalists for the Governor's Cup, which is the highest award the Governor gives out that will be announced on November 14.

Storm Ready Community Award – Elk Grove Village exceeded every category to be prepared for a potential weather-related catastrophe and will be presented with a plaque from the National Weather Service at an upcoming meeting.

State Capital Improvement Plan – The Village has received almost \$3.5 million in grants with the help from government representatives. Senator Laura Murphy obtained a \$600,000 grant for improvements on Rohlwing Road, Representative Marty Moylan obtained a \$535,000 grant for improvements for the left turn lanes along Arlington Heights Road from Devon to Shelley working in partnership with Cook County. The property of Powell Tree Services and Z Best Landscaping was sold and a new industrial building will be constructed. The Tollway requires turn lanes at that entrance and Cook County Commissioner Kevin Morrison obtained a \$750,000 grant to accomplish the work to support a new business coming in along Devon Avenue. Senator Laura Murphy obtained a \$275,000 grant to assist with the installation of bicycle connections on Arlington Heights Road at Oakton and at Northwest Point. IDOT has now signed off on everything to continue the work on that project. Representative Michelle Mussman obtained a \$750,000 grant and Cook County a \$500,000 grant to help with the construction of a multi-use concrete path to enable the west side to safely connect to the bike route. This

Administration has been working to improve our biking access in Elk Grove Village by constructing three bridges in Busse Woods, installing new lights for cyclists to cross safely at Elk Grove Boulevard and Arlington Heights Road and at Ridge Avenue and Devon Avenue to make a safe connection to other bike paths such as the Salt Creek path. We are doing everything we can to make it a safe biking community.

Robocalls and Mailings – The Robocalls started a couple of months ago with Tim Burns putting out the first call and somewhat attacked the Elk Grove Cares Program. The Elk Grove Cares program is doing phenomenal in helping those with the disease of addiction. More calls then came out from either Tim Burns or an unknown group along with a racist piece of mail with pictures that were bought just to try to scare people. We have an \$80,000 grant from the state, a \$1.5 million grant from the Federal government, and a Walmart grant to help with the funds for this program. The Federal government calls our program revolutionary and Deputy Chief Gaspari has traveled to Texas, Alabama and around the

state to talk about the program. We are up for a Governor's Award now, and this group came out trying to give this community a black eye which failed miserably. The residents don't buy it and know what is going on in Elk Grove Village. When that didn't work, they attacked the Bahama's Bowl stating that it was a waste of money and there was no return on it. Then low and behold, Love's Fueling Station passed unanimously last night at a Plan Commission hearing to come to Elk Grove. Chad Bruner from Love's came from Oklahoma City and approached the Village to put a prototype gas station here in Elk Grove Village. He came to Elk Grove because he heard about our town through the Bowl game. This business venture will make this Village an excess of \$10 million just in the first 10 years. The next Robocall stated that this unknown person wanted affidavits saying that they came to Elk Grove because of the Bahama's Bowl. Chad Bruner came from Oklahoma City and stood in front of the cameras at a board meeting to say why Love's picked Elk Grove Village which is a personal attack against Love's and this community. Then last week there were some announcements in the paper and now because of a recent court statement, they decided now to start attacking people personally. George Knickerbocker has been our Village Attorney for 48 years. George is considered one of the preeminent municipal lawyers in the country and is well recognized by so many groups. George is the captain of our legal team. He gets the team together because he can't be everything with only one lawyer. There are too many things going on and in too many different areas. For those people to come out and start attacking the Village Attorney maliciously in the way that they did is going way too far. Then they attacked Kitty Weiner. Kitty and Murray Weiner, EMG, is the group that puts on our summer concerts. They started 31 years ago doing RotaryFest concerts and for the past 15 or 16 years they've been doing the Village concerts. They get the acts together, they do the staging, everything is very organized and ready to go for the Village. Kitty grew up in Elk Grove, she is part of the Community Character Coalition, a Rotarian – actually the Lt. Governor for the Rotary Club and represents the whole region. She is also the one that brought the idea and coordinated the efforts to bring the elevator into fruition at the VFW. Now they are attacking the Board members for our campaign donations. Every elected official runs campaigns to get elected and get our views out. Every board member has had people donate to their campaigns. There is nothing illegal about it and it is better than having taxpayers pay for campaigns. Mayor has had over 1,000 residents in his time in office donate to his campaign. There have been over 200 businesses that have donated to his campaign. Every dollar and every penny that is donated is published for public viewing to show what comes in and goes out. Besides donations for elections, funds also get donated back into the community such as Cancer Relay for Life, RotaryFest, fireworks for the Elk Grove High School's homecoming games, PTA and many youth activities. In government, all of our construction projects are publicly bid and if you're not the lowest responsive bidder you don't get the job. The businesses and residents like the direction that the community is going, they like the accomplishments we've done in this community, and they like the way things are going. We have never been in better shape than we are right now. We have the finest firemen, policemen, public works, and staff working well together to deliver the best services to this community. Whether you work in Elk Grove, own a business in Elk Grove, or live in Elk Grove our goal as a board is to give you the best services humanly possible. That's why we have a nationally accredited police department, the fire department is rated of 2, and public works handles everything from snow to water main breaks expeditiously. When there are issues that need to be addressed, we bring in teams from Finance, Community Services and our staff does a phenomenal job under the tutelage of Mr. Rummel. We are very proud of them. We are not proud of the people that are trying to give this town a black eye and trying to undermine for their own personal self-serving gain. Our community is above this and we have always risen above this kind of stuff before and will do it again. They are not done. There will be more coming, there will be more hits, and they will go after more people. On behalf of this community, Mayor apologized to the residents that these robocalls and mailings have been going out. If you hear some things that you are not sure of, please call the Mayor to get the facts 847-437-8226. Mayor spends a couple of hours a night returning phone calls. Mayor was born and raised in Elk Grove and plans to be buried in the Elk Grove cemetery to show how passionate he is for the community.

Presentations - EGTV Award – A proclamation was read honoring EGTV for being selected by the Alliance for Community Media as the winner of its Hometown Video Awards Overall Excellence in Governmental Access Award in 2019. This is the second year in a row that EGTV was awarded this prestigious award. Swearing In – Chief Rich Mikel asked Jorge Sigler and his wife Denise to join him at the podium for the Mayor to swear in Firefighter Sigler to the position of Fire Lieutenant.

Trustee Franke – The Fire Department coordinates a Citizens Fire Academy to teach residents lifesaving tools for First Aid and Fire Safety. The Academy is held at Station 8 on Fargo Avenue and we encourage everyone to take advantage of this opportunity.

Thank you to everyone that attended Oktoberfest in September. It was rained out a bit on Saturday, but we still had a large turnout for the weekend.

Trustee Feichter – The Community Character Coalition kicked off their Toys for Tots drive assisting the Marine Corps Reserve in collecting toys for the holidays. Collection boxes have been placed in the

Village Hall, Library, Park District Pavilion and Al Hattendorf Center. Anyone looking to donate can bring a new, unwrapped toy to any of the collection boxes by December 3.

The next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be on November 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall. Please RSVP to Officer Sloan at 847-357-4151.

Trustee Lissner – There was a ribbon cutting at the Park District’s new Audubon Outdoor Skate Park on Saturday.

Trustee Prochno – Saturday, October 12, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. will be the last outdoor Farmers Market of the season. They will be celebrating Halloween and all of the booths will have candy for trick or treaters in costume.

The VFW will have their Oktoberfest Dinner this Saturday, October 12, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. This Oktoberfest Dinner will consist of three options: 1) Two brats with German potato salad, choice of sauerkraut or red cabbage, bread and apple strudel for \$11.00; or 2) Two pork chops with German potato salad, choice of sauerkraut or red cabbage, bread and apple strudel for \$14.50; or 3) A combo platter for \$12.50. Please call the VFW to make a reservation.

Trustee Schmidt – The Elk Grove Village Italian Sister Cities in conjunction with the Joint Civic Committee of the Italian Americans are going to be hosting the Italian Bersaglieri Corps of the Italian Army. This is a marching band from the Italian Army which is notable for their marching style and are used during special celebrations involving Italian national holidays and prestigious ceremonies. This band will be performing in the 2019 Columbus Day parade on Monday, October 14.

The next Sister Cities meeting will be on Monday, October 21, at 6:30 p.m. with the parents and students in preparation of the 10th Annual Student Exchange Program. The Italian students will spend a Thanksgiving Holiday with our students from Elk Grove High School and the Elk Grove Students will go to Termini Imerese during spring break in March of 2020.

5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT: Motion to authorize payment of invoices as shown on the September 30, 2019 Accounts Payable Warrant in the amount of \$3,141,154.55.

Moved by Trustee Lissner **Seconded by** Trustee Franke

AYES: Trustees Feichter, Franke, Lissner, Prochno, Schmidt

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to authorize payment of invoices as shown on the October 8, 2019 Accounts Payable Warrant in the amount of \$773,945.46.

Moved by Trustee Lissner **Seconded by** Trustee Franke

AYES: Trustees Feichter, Franke, Lissner, Prochno, Schmidt

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Authorization of a request from the Elk Grove Park District, 1000 Wellington Avenue, to waive permit fees for parking lot improvements in the amount of \$545.
- b. Authorization of a request from the Kenneth Young Center, 1001 Rohlwing Road to waive permit fees for the build out of an in-house pharmacy in the amount of \$750.
- c. Authorization to approve the fourth quarter financial report ending April 30, 2019.
- d. Authorization to award a professional service contract to Engineering Enterprises, Inc. of Sugar Grove, IL for Phase II Engineering Services for the Vermont Drive and Gibson Drive Roadway Improvements project in the amount of \$120,149 from the Capital Project Fund.
- e. Authorization to award a construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder Martam Construction, Inc., of Elgin, IL for the Median Enhancement - Rohlwing Road (IL Route 53) project in the amount of \$1,159,623 from the Capital Project Fund.
- f. Authorization to award funding for workforce and business development support consistent with the Village’s Economic Development Vision for Business Excellence as presented to the Village Board of Trustees for the Golden Corridor Advanced Manufacturing Partnership, Next Level Northwest, and ENCLAVE for Entrepreneurs not to exceed total collective amount of \$102,000 funded through the Busse Elmhurst TIF.
- g. Authorization to adopt Ordinance No. 3632 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 3616 BY CORRECTING TWO SECTIONS REGARDING THE REGULATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT IN SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS.”
- h. Authorization to adopt Ordinance No. 3633 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HOURS OF OPERATION FOR CLASS MB LICENSEE BY EXTENDING THE HOURS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS FOR HOLIDAYS.”
- i. Authorization to adopt Ordinance No. 3634 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION X-C-II-A OF THE DESIGN GUIDELINES OF THE ELK GROVE TECHNOLOGY PARK BY PERMITTING TWO (2) WALL MOUNT SIGNS ON A BUILDING FOR CORNER TENANTS.”

- j. Authorization to adopt Ordinance No. 3635 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO 1400 BUSSE, LLC TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE A JIMMY JOHN’S DRIVE-THRU RESTAURANT AS PART OF A MULTI-TENANT RETAIL BUILDING IN THE B-2 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1420-1428 BUSSE ROAD, ELK GROVE VILLAGE.”
- k. Authorization to adopt Resolution No. 60-19 entitled, “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE CLERK TO EXECUTE A COMPREHENSIVE TREE PLANTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF ELK GROVE VILLAGE AND ST. AUBIN NURSERY AND LANDSCAPING, INC.”
- l. Authorization to adopt Resolution No. 61-19 entitled, “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE CLERK TO EXECUTE A COMPREHENSIVE TREE HARVESTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF ELK GROVE VILLAGE AND EUGENE A. DE ST. AUBIN & BROS., INC.”

Mayor asked if any Trustees, staff or audience members had any questions on the Consent Agenda items.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda items a. through l.

Moved by Trustee Feichter **Seconded by** Trustee Lissner

VOICE VOTE

MOTION CARRIED

- 7. REGULAR AGENDA** – There were no items under Regular Agenda.
- 8. PLAN COMMISSION** - Village Manager Rummel – No Report.
- 9. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS** - Village Manager Rummel – No Report.
- 10. YOUTH COMMITTEE** – Trustee Franke – The Bon Fire scheduled for Saturday, October 5th at Lions Park was cancelled due to the rain.
- 11. BUSINESS LEADERS FORUM** – Trustee Lissner – Since the last meeting the BLF visited three companies: Perfection Machinery, 2550 Arthur Avenue, EGM Automotive, 1195 Rohlwing Road, and Middleby Food Processing, 2567 Greenleaf Avenue. In the last couple of years, we have visited a total of 84 companies through the Ambassador Program.
On October 16, at 5:30 p.m. Professor Neilsen of Northwestern will give a presentation at Enclave entitled *Fighting Fair in Intimate Relationships; Actionable Insights for Work Life*. The Enclave website has more details.
Monday, October 14, at 1:00 p.m. is Elk Grove’s Annual Business Expo at Elk Grove High School. There are 100 companies that have registered for a booth at the Expo.
- 12. CABLE TELEVISION COMMITTEE** - Trustee Lissner – The Regional Cable Group is continuing to work on the Regional Franchise Agreement. We hope to finalize the agreement by the end of October.
- 13. HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES** - Trustee Czarnik – No Report.
- 14. INFORMATION COMMITTEE** - Trustee Lissner – The Fire Department Open House is this Saturday, October 12, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Fire Station 7. This is a great educational opportunity for families to learn about Fire Safety. The Touch A Truck Program at the Park District is also Saturday morning to give families the opportunity to visit both locations.
- 15. RECYCLING & WASTE COMMITTEE** – Trustee Feichter – The Recycling Committee is reviewing a Textile Recycling Program and the committee will be setting up a meeting soon to develop a plan.
- 16. PARADE COMMITTEE** - Trustee Prochno – The Float winners from the Hometown Parade have been invited to our October 22 Village Board Meeting to receive their awards.
- 17. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE** – Trustee Franke – No Report.
- 18. JUDICIARY, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE** – Trustee Prochno – No Report.
- 19. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE** - Trustee Czarnik – No Report.
- 20. AIRPORT UPDATE** – Mayor Johnson – No Report.
- 21. MID-SUMMER CLASSICS CONCERT SERIES UPDATE** - Mayor Johnson – No Report.
- 22. SPECIAL EVENTS** – Mayor Johnson – The next special event is the Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, November 29, with Jim Peterik from the Ides of March and former member of Survivor. The concert will begin at 4:30 p.m. and the tree lighting will take place at 5:30 p.m. followed by fireworks and Santa.
- 23. LIQUOR COMMISSION** - Mayor Johnson – No Report.
- 24. REPORT FROM VILLAGE MANAGER** – No Report.
- 25. REPORT FROM VILLAGE CLERK** – No Report.
- 26. UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – There were no items under Unfinished Business.

27. NEW BUSINESS – No Report.

28. PUBLIC COMMENT – 8:16 P.M.

Rhonda Pace, 5441 Sinatra Lane, Hanover Park – Addressed the Village Board with questions on Ordinance 3377 regarding the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program and the process when landlords do not get a license with the Village. A discussion ensued regarding how violations are processed through the Adjudication Court program at the Village.

Roger Dober, 1668 Biesterfield Road – Addressed the Village Board regarding the business park and the former McDonald’s location at Meacham and Biesterfield. A discussion ensued regarding the higher property taxes at that shopping center with a discrepancy between units. The owner is appealing the taxes on the former McDonald’s location. Mr. Dober shared his concerns about the new bike path being constructed on the North side of Biesterfield as opposed to the South side of Biesterfield with the removal of numerous trees. Public Works did a study of the area and found that the North side was more suitable to construct an eight-foot (8’) path.

29. ADJOURNMENT - Motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 8:42 p.m.

Moved by Trustee Lissner **Seconded by** Trustee Feichter

AYES: Trustee Franke, Lissner, Prochno, Schmidt, Feichter

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Loretta M. Murphy, Village Clerk

Mayor Craig B. Johnson