

March 21, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Deerfield was called to order by Mayor Rosenthal in the Council Chambers of the Village Hall on Monday March 21, 2011 at 7:32 p.m. The Clerk called the roll and announced that the following were:

Present: Harriet Rosenthal, Mayor
Robert Benton
Alan Farkas
Thomas Jester
Mary Oppenheim
William Seiden

Absent: Barbara Struthers

and that a quorum was present and in attendance. Also present were Village Attorney Peter Coblentz and Kent Street, Village Manager.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rosenthal led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Trustee Benton made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 7, 2011 Board of Trustees meeting. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Oppenheim made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 14, 2011 Committee of the Whole meeting. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Rosenthal proclaimed March 20 – 26, 2011 as Youth Appreciation Week in Deerfield. The Optimist Club has served the Village and the Village youth for more than 30 years.

Trustee Jester made a motion to accept the Proclamation. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Seiden accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the Optimist Club. He stated the Optimist Club supports and recognizes middle and high school students as a way of strengthening the future of Deerfield. They have a number of activities throughout the year, with Youth Appreciation Night scheduled for this Wednesday at 7:00 at the Deerfield High School auditorium. This year they are honoring more than 300 middle and high school students.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Trustee Seiden made a motion to accept the Bills and Payroll dated March 21, 2011. Trustee Farkas seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Farkas, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden (5)

NAYS: None (0)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Assistant Finance Director Eric Burk presented highlights from the Treasurer's Report ending February 28, 2011, representing 83% of fiscal year. Two large expenses in February include the \$1.53 million contribution to the Police Pension Fund and the expenses from the February blizzard. The Village portion of the sales tax was up this month and the State is closer to being caught up on income tax payments as it is now paid up through November. The General Fund year-to-date revenues exceed expenses by approximately \$100,000.

Mayor Rosenthal asked what the Village was doing to recoup some of the costs from the February blizzard. Mr. Burk advised that preliminary figures were provided to Lake County and there is an upcoming meeting to review formal application requirements for federal reimbursement since a federal disaster area was declared.

MANPOWER APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Rosenthal stated the Manpower Commission met to consider the following appointments to Village commissions: Alan Barasky to the Cable and Telecommunications Commission, Phil Bettiker and Vicki Case to the Family Days Commission and Veronica Boyajian to the Community Relations Commission. Trustee Seiden made a motion to make the appointments. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Farkas, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden (5)

NAYS: None (0)

REPORT ON DEPARTMENTAL OBJECTIVES – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Principal Planner Jeff Ryckaert presented highlights from the Planning Division. The Plan Commission has been very busy with Public Hearings for new restaurants. The owners of Deerfield Square have scheduled a Public Hearing for the property formerly occupied by Stoney River. They are running parallel tracks for either a retail or restaurant use.

The Appearance Review Commission has been busy with eight petitions. The VCDC has been promoting the Village planter program. The available commercial space available has been updated on the Village website. The newly leased spaces are also listed on the website.

The Village has received initial data from the 2010 Census and it is on the Village website. The Village is part of the Lake County Alternative Energy Task Force. Staff is working with One Deerfield Place on alternatives for senior and workforce housing, including expansion of the senior housing subsidy. One Deerfield Place is continuing to explore properties in Deerfield for unit renovation or construction of additional housing.

Mayor Rosenthal thanked Mr. Ryckaert and his staff for their efforts on behalf of the Village. She also extended appreciation to the residents on the Plan Commission, Village Center

Development Commission, the Appearance Review Commission and the Cemetery Commission for their expertise, support and commitment to the Village.

Code Enforcement Supervisor Clint Case presented highlights from the Building Division. He noted that Rosebud has submitted plans for their build out and there are twice as many residential homes started as last year. Permit fees are up, due primarily to the large scale commercial work being done in the Village, such as Walgreens work on their corporate offices. The Village has had communication with the property owner of 679 Castlewood, and Mr. Case is cautiously optimistic about bringing the property into compliance in the next several weeks.

In addition, staff has had meetings to update the fee schedule. The structure at 1515 Wilmot Road has been removed and the site graded. An invoice for the Village's costs (approximately \$20,000) has been requested by the bank now owning the property. Finally, staff is working to assist the Sustainability Commission concerning recycling of demolition and building materials.

Mayor Rosenthal thanked Mr. Case and his staff for their efforts on behalf of the Village and extended appreciation to the residents on the Board of Zoning Appeals for their expertise, support and commitment to the Village.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Eric Hogberg, 1428 Crow Avenue, reminded residents on behalf of the Deerfield Caucus that the election is just two weeks away and encouraged residents that early voting is currently open.

REPORTS

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| <u>REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF PLAN COMMISSION RE APPROVAL OF 2011 ZONING MAP</u> | The Plan Commission held a workshop meeting on March 10, 2011 and voted 5-0 in favor of recommending approval to publish the 2011 Zoning Map including the changes made during the year. |
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Trustee Oppenheim made a motion to accept the report and recommendation of the plan Commission. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Farkas, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden (5)

NAYS: None (0)

CONSENT AGENDA

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| <u>ORDINANCE O-11-10 TO LICENSE NONPROFIT RAFFLES – 2R</u> | An Ordinance to license raffles held by not-for-profit organizations. Second Reading. |
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| <u>ORDINANCE O-11-11 GRANTING A DRIVEWAY WIDTH VARIATION FOR 1085 MEADOWBROOK LANE – 2R</u> | An Ordinance granting a driveway width variation for the property located at 1085 Meadowbrook Lane. Second Reading. |
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Trustee Seiden made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda and adopt the Ordinances. Trustee Farkas seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Farkas, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden (5)

NAYS: None (0)

Mayor Rosenthal noted several Board members had expressed concerns about the small non-profit raffles and acknowledged that this measure allows the Village to support their need to comply with state requirements.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION R-11-06 APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH COOK COUNTY FOR ACCESS TO GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS Jenny Maltas, Assistant to the Village Manager, stated this was an annual Resolution to approve an agreement with Cook County for access to geographical information systems.

Trustee Jester made a motion to accept the Resolution. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Farkas, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden (5)

NAYS: None (0)

DISCUSSION

THANK YOU

Mayor Rosenthal noted that the Marni Yang guilty verdict was announced and thanked the Village Police Department, Major Crimes Task Force and State Attorney's office for their professional service.

TREE GRANT AND OPEN HOUSE

Mayor Rosenthal stated the Village received a \$9,000 grant to help plant trees not of the ash variety, and Congressman Dold held an open house last Saturday in Village Hall that was attended by more than 60 people.

REFUSE CONTAINERS

Mr. Street announced that the southeast portion of Village started to receive the new refuse and recycling containers. The standard delivery is a 90 gallon refuse and 60 gallon recycling containers. The toters will be delivered over the next two weeks. Mr. Street asked residents for their patience in this process.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion,
Trustee Seiden made a motion to adjourn the
meeting. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting
was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

Village Clerk