

May 16, 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, May 16, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. The Clerk called the roll and announced that the following were:

Present: Harriet Rosenthal, Mayor
Robert Benton
Mary Oppenheim
William Seiden
Barbara Struthers

Absent were: Alan Farkas
Thomas Jester

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sarah Flury and Nicole Jarvis led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

Community Relations Commission Chairman Chris Foltz presented the Jeffrey Werner Outstanding Youth Award to Sarah Flury and Nicole Jarvis. He stated this is the only award given by the Village for youth and student involvement. Ch. Foltz noted both recipients have been active both in and out of school and excel academically. Mayor Rosenthal presented the recipients with certificates.

The audience joined the Mayor and Board in applauding their achievements.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Rosenthal proclaimed May 30 – June 5 as Hunger Awareness Week in Deerfield. Julie Morrison of West Deerfield Township and Carl Berg of Three Guys and a Truck were present to accept the Proclamation. The Three Men and a Truck event will take place on June 5 at Deerfield High School.

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

Mr. Berg stated this is their tenth year supporting this program, and they hope to fill the West Deerfield Food Pantry. Ms. Morrison discussed the new Hands in Cans program. She stated they are looking for at least 50 volunteers to pass cans for one hour.

DOCUMENT APPROVAL

Trustee Oppenheim made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2011 Board of Trustees meeting. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. Trustee Struthers made a correction on page 4. The motion passed unanimously as amended.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Trustee Benton made a motion to approve the Bills and Payroll dated May 16, 2011. Trustee

Struthers seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Oppenheim, Seiden, Struthers (4)

NAYS: None (0)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Finance Director Bob Fialkowski presented highlights from the Treasurer's Report representing the preliminary end of the fiscal year. The sales tax numbers look encouraging, and he hopes they remain positive year over year. Mr. Fialkowski is hopeful that the General Fund will remain positive. The water and sewer funds will both be negative but are less so than the prior year. The hotel tax for the year is up 7.5% over last year, which is encouraging. The income tax is up, and the building permit revenues increased in April due to a few large commercial remodeling projects.

Mayor Rosenthal asked about the income tax that comes through the State. Mr. Fialkowski noted the amount is approximately \$1.4 million per year. Mayor Rosenthal noted this is an important source of revenue for the Village and encouraged residents to advise Senator Garrett and Representative May to not support reducing this amount as is being considered in Springfield.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gil Antokal reminded residents that Sunday, June 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. is the Deerfield

Community Blood Drive at the Jewett Park Community Center

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Art Rollins and Phil Elbling both passed away recently. Both were active members of the community

who served the Village for many years. Mayor Rosenthal, the Trustees and those in attendance observed a moment of silence in their memory.

REPORTS

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF PLAN COMMISSION RE: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL USE TO PERMIT AN OUTDOOR SEATING AREA FOR RISTORANTE ABRUZZO AT 483 LAKE COOK ROAD

The Plan Commission held a Public Hearing on April 28, 2011 to consider the request of Mosaic Properties and Ristorante Abruzzo for approval of a Special Use to permit an outdoor seating area for Ristorante Abruzzo at 483 Lake Cook Road. The Plan Commission voted 7-0 in favor of recommending approval. Trustee Seiden made a motion to accept the Report and Recommendation of

the Plan Commission. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Oppenheim, Seiden, Struthers (4)

NAYS: None (0)

CONSENT AGENDA

ORDINANCE 0-11-18 AMENDING
SPECIAL USE FOR DEERFIELD
PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT 109
ADMINISTRATION CENTER AT
DEERFIELD ROAD – 2R

Mr. Street reported that the neighbor to the west requested that the fence only be adjacent to the parking lot. In addition, District 109 is now requesting approval of a slightly different addition location.

Mayor Rosenthal asked if the School District had looked into adding fencing along the berm on the south side of the parking and access area. Gregg Monberg, Architect, explained they have not looked into adding fencing along the berm due to the low volume of traffic.

Trustee Oppenheim asked why they were looking to change the addition location. Mr. Monberg reported their construction consultant advised the addition would tie in better with the existing structure if it was adjusted as now proposed, and it would also save an additional tree.

Trustee Oppenheim made a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Oppenheim, Seiden, Struthers (4)

NAYS: None (0)

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF WASTEWATER
RECLAMATION FACILITY BIOSOLIDS
MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Ms. Barbara Little, Director of Public Works and Engineering, reported the Village has given up the use of anaerobic digester #3 at the WRF so it can be dewatered and converted to the new aerobic digester.

The loss of the digester, coupled with the wet weather, has greatly impacted the normal sludge processing operation. Staff is proposing to rent a belt press and dry the sludge. Stewart Spreading proposes a six-month rental with an option to renew up to three additional months. The rental cost is \$10,000 per month, plus a dewatering cost of \$0.13 per gallon. Ms. Little believes this is a viable solution. The Village has worked with Stewart Spreading in the past. They have offered to extend their hauling price of \$18.75 per cubic yard, which is the same as the 2010 price.

Trustee Struthers asked about the total estimated cost, as it was not in the budget. Ms. Little stated the estimated cost would be between \$100,000 and \$150,000. Trustee Oppenheim asked why this expense could not be anticipated. Ms. Little explained staff could not figure on the number of sludge drying beds required by the WRF construction contractor, nor the amount of wet weather this spring.

Mayor Rosenthal asked if the Village was required to commit to six months to get the price. She asked if the Village could cancel after three months. Ms. Little explained they could request to

cancel but stated the obligation is six months. Wastewater Reclamation Facility supervisor Frank Cisek explained they are processing sludge, but not quickly enough. He is trying to be as conservative as possible while not disrupting the construction or the treatment process.

Trustee Struthers made a motion to approve the Wastewater Reclamation Facility Biosolids management services as recommended. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Oppenheim, Seiden, Struthers (4)

NAYS: None (0)

DISCUSSION

DON'T TEXT AND DRIVE

Trustee Struthers stated representatives from the State Police visited Deerfield High School with simulators demonstrating both drunk driving and texting while driving. The event was well attended.

MEMORIAL DAY

Mayor Rosenthal invited residents to attend the American Legion service at Jewett Park Drive and Park Avenue at 10:00 a.m. on May 30. It is a very moving and meaningful ceremony.

DEERFIELD FINE ARTS FAIR

The Deerfield Fine Arts Fair will take place on June 4 and 5. There will be more than 90 artists displaying their wares, along with a lot of food and fun on Park Avenue.

THREE GUYS AND A TRUCK

The three Guys and a Truck Event will be held at Deerfield High School on June 5. Mayor Rosenthal hopes all residents will attend and take part in this event.

NEXT MEETING

Mr. Street noted the next regular Board of Trustees meeting will take place on Monday, June 6.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, Trustee Oppenheim made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Struthers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

Village Clerk