

January 18, 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 Tuesday January 18, 2011 at 7:33 p.m. The Clerk called the roll and announced that the following were:

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

Absent was: Alan Farkas

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

John Coughenour led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

HUMAN RELATIONS AWARD

Chris Foltz, Chairman of the Community Relations Commission, presented the 2010 Human Relations

Award to John Coughenour. Mr. Coughenour has been very involved as a leader in community activities, including Family Days and the American Legion.

Mr. Coughenour thanked the Village for the Human Relations Award and for its support and encouragement.

Trustee Seiden added that Mr. Coughenour was a past leader of the Optimist Club as well.

All present applauded the service contributions of Mr. Coughenour.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Trustee Seiden made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2011 Board of Trustees meeting. Trustee Struthers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Trustee Oppenheim made a motion to approve the Bills and Payroll dated January 18, 2011. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bob Fialkowski presented highlights from the Treasurer's Report through December 31, 2010 representing 2/3 of the fiscal year. The numbers are positive, especially in sales tax, hotel tax and water sales. The Village received a payment from the State for income tax, and building permits

were also positive. Mr. Fialkowski stated the winter expenses have been more manageable than during the past two years. He noted that staff is starting on the budget deliberations for next year.

Trustee Struthers inquired about the reduction of expenditures. Mr. Fialkowski explained that the Village has not replaced staff members who have retired from a number of positions.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment.

REPORTS

There were no Reports.

CONSENT AGENDA

ORDINANCE O-11-01 AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE RE PARKING REGULATIONS – 2R An Ordinance amending the Municipal Code regarding parking regulations. Second Reading.

ORDINANCE O-11-02 AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE RE FIRE LANES AND HANDICAPPED PARKING – 2R An Ordinance amending the Municipal Code regarding fire lane and handicapped parking. Second Reading.

ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE/PUD TO PERMIT AN ABOVE GROUND PUMP STATION AT DEERBROOK MALL AND CHANGES TO THE REAR PARKING LOT – 1R An Ordinance approving a Special Use/PUD to permit an above ground pump station at Deerbrook Mall and changes to the rear parking lot. First Reading.

Trustee Jester made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda and adopt the two ordinances. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

OLD BUSINESS

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE NUMBER OF CLASS E LIQUOR LICENSES FROM 12 TO 13 Mr. Street explained that with the recent closure of Stony River, it is unnecessary to create an additional license for Gino's East. He recommends the Trustees do not approve the Ordinance for the record, because the same license can be reassigned. Mr. Street explained that when D.C. Sarnies requests their liquor license, the number of Class E liquor licenses will need to be increased.

Trustee Struthers made a motion to approve the ordinance increasing the number of Class E liquor licenses from 12 to 13. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion did not pass with the following vote:

AYES: None (0)

NAYS: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Struthers (5)

ORDINANCE O-11-03 APPROVING A SPECIAL USE IN THE I-2 LIMITED INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT TO PERMIT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SELF IMPROVEMENT FACILITY AT 151 S. PFINGSTEN ROAD, SUITES E AND F

An Ordinance approving a Special Use in the I-2 Limited Industrial District to permit the establishment of a self improvement facility at 151 S. Pfingsten Road, Suites E and F.

Trustee Oppenheim made a motion to waive the First Reading of the ordinance. Trustee Struthers seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

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

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

NAYS: None (0)

NEW BUSINESS

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 3 (“DANGEROUS BUILDINGS”) OF CHAPTER 6 (“BUILDINGS”) IN THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD AS AMENDED – 1R

An Ordinance amending Article 3 “Dangerous Buildings” of Chapter 6 “Buildings” in the Municipal Code, as amended. First Reading.

Mr. Street reported that this matter was discussed at the November 22, 2011 Committee of the Whole meeting, and its purpose is to address properties in dangerous condition, such as 679 Castlewood. Mr. Street noted changes to proposed ordinance sections 6-24(d) and 6-25(e) in response to questions raised by Trustee Struthers. Trustee Struthers asked how inspectors gain access to a property. Mr. Coblenz responded staff will request access. If that does not work, staff would seek an administrative search warrant through the prosecutor’s office.

Helene BJORSETH, 685 Castlewood, thanked the Mayor and Trustees for their hard work on the ordinance.

The ordinance, as corrected, will stand as a First Reading

RESOLUTION R-11-01 APPROVING CHANGES TO THE VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD PERSONNEL MANUAL

Jenny Maltas, Assistant to the Village Manager, stated the Village’s personnel manual was last reviewed in 2007. Staff worked on making minor updates instead of large, comprehensive changes at this time. The changes they made included removing references to the Human Resources Department and clarifying how to get assistance, exchanging Veterans Day for Columbus Day, removing language

referring to old policies and forms, changing occupational injury leave, eliminating the section on retirement health savings plans, and changing sick leave and retirement to be consistent with IMRF.

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

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

NAYS: None (0)

DISCUSSION

KUDOS

Trustee Struthers believes those working on the Deerfield Road underpass have done a commendable job of not blocking traffic. She hopes this can continue. They have worked very hard to not block the lanes. Trustee Oppenheim added they have been flexible and sensitive to people's needs.

WGN RADIO

Mayor Rosenthal informed residents that WGN Radio would be broadcasting from Trax on Friday starting at 5:00 a.m., and she will be a guest.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Mr. Street stated the next Committee of the Whole Meeting will take place Monday, January 23, at 6:00 p.m. Trustees will discuss infrastructure improvements for next year and the residential refuse contract.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, Trustee Struthers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

Village Clerk