

Village of Bensenville  
Village Board Room  
12 South Center Street  
Bensenville, Illinois 60106  
Counties of DuPage and Cook

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**June 17, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Jarecki called the meeting to order at 8:53 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Upon roll call by Deputy Village Clerk, Corey Williamsen, the following Board Members were present:

Chairman Jarecki, President Soto, Bartlett, O'Connell, Ridder, Wesseler

Absent: Janowiak

A quorum was present.

Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo was also present

Staff Present: Cassady, Village Attorney, Pat Bond, DiSanto, Kosman, Patel, Radde, Rysavy, Schaeffer, Viger, Williamsen

**Approval of  
Minutes:**

The May 20, 2014 Community & Economic Development Committee minutes were presented.

**Motion:** President Soto made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Wesseler seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Medical Cannabis**

**Text Amendment:** Director of Community & Economic Development, Scott Viger, presented to the Committee an ordinance for a request by the Village of Bensenville to allow medical cannabis dispensing organizations and medical cannabis cultivation centers as conditional uses in the I-2, I-3 and I-4 Industrial Districts.

Mr. Viger stated due to the recent Illinois state approval of the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act, municipalities have been granted the jurisdiction to develop zoning standards for the uses of Medical Cannabis Dispensaries and Cultivation Centers. Mr. Viger stated the proposed text amendment limits such uses to Conditional Uses in the I-2, I-3, and I-4 Zoning Districts and they would have to meet the requirements of the State Law such as a 2,500 foot separation from residential, schools, and day care uses. Mr. Viger stated the CDC recommended denial (vote 3-4) of the text amendment based on a lack of community benefit and for threat of proliferation of such facilities. Mr. Viger stated staff believes there is a demand in the community based on recent requests by business and that a proliferation is not a threat since the number of facilities throughout the state are severely limited by State Law. Mr. Viger stated staff recommends approval of the text amendment.

There were no questions from the Committee.

Motion: Trustee Ridder made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. Trustee Wessler seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Illinois Housing  
Development  
Grant:**

Director of Community & Economic Development, Scott Viger, presented to the Committee a resolution accepting a grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority's Abandoned Residential Property Municipal Relief Program.

Mr. Viger stated in 2012 and 2013 the Village demolished five different abandoned homes for a total cost of \$76,540. Mr. Viger stated the Village was awarded a grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority for reimbursement up of up to \$75,000 of these costs. Mr. Viger stated to receive the \$75,000 grant the Village of Bensenville must pass a resolution accepting a grant agreement from the Illinois Housing Development Authority. Mr. Viger stated staff recommends approval of the Resolution.

There were no questions from the Committee.

Motion: Trustee Ridder made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. President Soto seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**McDonagh  
Demolition:**

Director of Community & Economic Development, Scott Viger, presented to the Committee a resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with McDonagh Demolition for the demolition of two Village owned properties at 6 W. Brookwood Street and 514 East Pine Avenue in the amount of \$47,000.00.

Mr. Viger stated earlier in 2014, the Village purchased the property at 6 W. Brookwood and was transferred the ownership of 514 W. Pine Avenue (the former Korthauer Residence) from the Library District. Mr. Viger stated both of these properties are vacant and not fit for occupancy. Mr. Viger stated staff was directed to accept proposals for the demolition of both structures. Mr. Viger stated bids were solicited and staff recommends contracting with McDonagh Demolition, the low bidder, for \$47,000.

Trustee Ridder asked if the Fire Department would use the properties for training prior to demolition. Village Manager, Michael Cassady, stated he would reach out the Fire Department to gain their interest and report back to the Village Board with a decision.

Motion: Trustee Bartlett made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. Trustee Ridder seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**INFORMATIONAL  
ITEMS:**

There were no informational items.

**ADJOURNMENT:** President Soto made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Wessler seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Jarecki adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

Corey Williamsen  
Deputy Village Clerk

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 15th day July 2014