

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

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
September 8, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 1. President Soto called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: 2. Upon roll call by Deputy Village Clerk, Corey Williamsen, the following Board Members were present:

DeSimone, Jaworska, Carmona, Wesseler, Janowiak, O'Connell

Absent: Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: Staff Present: M. Cassady, Village Attorney, Pat Bond, J. Caracci, D. DiSanto, G. Ferguson, T. Finner, F. Kosman, T. Sloth, A. Thakkar, S. Viger, C. Williamsen

PUBLIC COMMENT: Christopher Colon – 17W047 White Pine Road

Mr. Colon addressed the Village Board regarding the watermain system throughout unincorporated White Pines and the proposed replacement project and finances.

Kathy Lane – 4N181 Ridgewood Avenue

Ms. Lane addressed the Village Board regarding the watermain system throughout unincorporated White Pines. Ms. Lane asked the Village Board to communicate with the residents of unincorporated White Pines and not the White Pines Civic Association as she doesn't believe the proper message is being delivered to the residents throughout unincorporated White Pines.

Gary Gardner – 17W131 Woodland Avenue

Mr. Gardner addressed the Village Board regarding the watermain system throughout unincorporated White Pines and the proposed replacement project. Mr. Gardner questioned why the Village Board was not invited to a meeting in April held between Village Staff and the White Pines Civic Association.

Brian Jefferson – 16W680 Red Oak Lane

Mr. Jefferson addressed the Village Board regarding human rights to access to water. Mr. Jefferson addressed the current fees charged to

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unincorporated white pines residents for usage of water.

Gina Mellenthin – 4N150 Pine Grove Avenue

Ms. Mellenthin submitted photos to the Village Board of fire hydrants in Bensenville. The photos have been attached to the minutes as "Exhibit A". Ms. Mellenthin announced the White Pines Civic Association Board has submitted a formal request to DuPage County seeking a proposal for DuPage County to operate the unincorporated White Pines water system. Ms. Mellenthin asked that the Village Board provide the White Pines residents two weeks to hear back from DuPage County regarding their proposal.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES:**

3. The August 25, 2015 Village Board Meeting minutes were presented.

Motion:

Trustee DeSimone made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Janowiak seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**WARRANT NO.
15/16:**

4. President Soto presented **Warrant No. 15/16** in the amount of \$1,938,481.19.

Motion:

Trustee Wesseler made a motion to approve the warrant as presented. Trustee Janowiak seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: DeSimone, Carmona, Jaworska, Wesseler, Janowiak, O'Connell

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carries.

**PRESIDENT'S
REMARKS:**

President Soto stated Ms. Lane's public comment remarks were a concern to the Village Board that the proper message was not being

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sent to the residents of unincorporated White Pines. President Soto stated the White Pines Civic Association asked the Village Board to have all communications go through them. President Soto stated there was no vote being taken at the Board meeting regarding anything related to the watermain system throughout unincorporated White Pines.

President Soto stated this a difficult issue that has been passed on for throughout the years and it has come to a point that needs to be addressed. President Soto stated a main concern to the Village of Bensenville is water loss. President Soto stated it was unfair to the Residents of Bensenville to have to pay for the unincorporated White Pines water system replacement. President Soto stated Village Staff has had conversations with the Bensenville Fire Department and DuPage County and consensus is that the system needs to be replaced. President Soto stated the Village is aware there is a DuPage County option. President Soto stated there is no vote on the table for any actions regarding the White Pines watermain system.

President Soto thanked Staff for their efforts hosting a successful Music in the Park 2015.

**MANAGERS
REPORT:**

Village Manager, Michael Cassady, had no report.

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY
REPORT:**

Village Attorney, Pat Bond, has no report.

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS:**

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION:**

Village Attorney, Pat Bond, called for an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending, probable, or imminent litigation, acquisition of real estate property, personnel, and collective negotiating matters. No actions will take place as a result of the discussions.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Janowiak made a motion to adjourn the meeting and go into executive session. Trustee DeSimone seconded the motion.

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All were in favor. Motion carried.

President Soto adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo

Village Clerk

PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 22nd day, September 2015

**Exhibit A
(2 Pages)**



