

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

**MINUTES OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
March 20, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Bartlett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Chairman Bartlett, Jarecki, O'Connell, Peconio, Ridder

Absent: President Soto, Chairman Wesseler

A quorum was present.

Village Clerk Janowiak was also present for the meeting.

Staff Present: Caracci, Cassady, DiSanto, Kosman, Rysavy, Sloth, Viger, Williamsen

**Approval of
Minutes:**

The February 21, 2012 Infrastructure and Environment Committee Meeting minutes were presented.

Motion: Trustee Ridder made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee O'Connell seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartlett requested to move as submitted to the beginning of the meeting. There were no objections from the Committee.

As Submitted:

Steve Brooks, General Counsel for Road Ranger, John Carabelli, Vice President of Construction for Road Ranger, and Hal Francke of DLA Piper, outside counsel for Road Ranger were present on behalf of Road Ranger and presented to the Committee a presentation of current operations at the facility along with a summary of a proposed expansion Road Ranger will be seeking from the Village.

Road Ranger also presented to the Committee a proposed landscape and fence design. Road Ranger conducted a noise study for the area and designed the landscaping and fence based off the results.

Trustee Peconio asked if the proposed curb cuts from Road Ranger's proposed site plan has been approved by IDOT. Road Ranger stated they met with IDOT are confident they will have a plan similar to the proposal. Trustee Peconio also asked what the purpose is for the expansion of the store if Road Ranger won't allow trucks to park on the location. Road Ranger stated there will not be a restaurant or food stand at the location; they would like to offer more goods to customers. Trustee Peconio asked if Road Ranger will improve the intersection at Route 83 and Foster Avenue. Road Ranger stated they were open to the idea but has not met with IDOT or the Village in regards to the idea. Trustee Peconio asked what kind of guarantee will be made to assure the landscaping is done. Road Ranger stated they would suggest making it part of the ordinance if approved. Trustee Peconio asked for clarification of what had already taken place with the purchasing and demolishing of the three homes in the area. Road Ranger stated they purchased the homes from the homeowners and made the decision to demolish them for liability reasons. Road Ranger also stated the demolition was done entirely buy Road Ranger and the proper requirements were met in order to do so. Trustee Peconio asked how many gallons of diesel fuel would be pumped from the location. Road Ranger did not have the information. Trustee Peconio asked what Road Ranger's plans were if the Village does not approve their rezoning request. Road Ranger stated they did not have a proposed plan. Trustee Peconio asked how Road Ranger plans to elevate traffic. Road Ranger shared the traffic designs with the Committee. Trustee Peconio asked if Road Ranger had conducted a study in the area of the effects of real estate. Road Ranger stated they had supplied the Village with the information and for confidential purposes, would not discuss.

President Soto entered the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Trustee Ridder asked when the homes were purchased. Road Ranger did not have the exact dates but would report back to the Committee if necessary.

Chairman Bartlett asked how Road Ranger plans to regulate trucks pulling in from Route 83. Road Ranger stated they will place signs on the property directing trucks and vehicles proper entrances.

President Soto suggested having Road Ranger lay the landscaping and build the fence so Residents in the area can offer feedback. Road Ranger stated they were open to the idea and would consider options once a decision is made by the Village.

Pete Gallagher stated he was with the Bensenville Chamber of Commerce and asked if Road Ranger will pursue legal actions if the Village does not grant their requests. Road Ranger stated they would review all options and proceed after decisions have been made within Road Ranger.

Concerned Property Owners in the referenced Route 83 and Foster Avenue area asked questions and made comments about the proposed project.

Forestry Management

Program: Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee an ordinance amending the Village Code establishing a comprehensive forestry management program. Mr. Caracci stated part of the proposed amendment will make residents responsible for the removal of dead trees. Mr. Caracci also stated a part of the proposed amendment will require contract workers to place fences around trees in the work areas.

Chairman Bartlett asked if trees will not be allowed to be taken down. Mr. Caracci stated private property can remove a tree if they wish. Residents will not be allowed to remove trees in the parkway.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Chairman Bartlett, President Soto, Jarecki,
O'Connell, Peconio, Ridder

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Alaniz Landscape Agreement:

Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee a resolution authorizing the execution of a purchase order to Alaniz Landscape Group, Inc. for the 2012 parkway tree planting program. Mr. Caracci stated the contract allows for 135 trees to be planted throughout town. Mr. Caracci stated the Village received a grant that will assist in payment of the agreement.

Trustee Peconio stated that tree planting used to be handled in house and asked why it was being proposed to be outsourced. Mr. Caracci stated the Village will continue to have tree planting in house however does not believe Public Works will have the time or man power to plant the amount of trees being proposed.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Chairman Bartlett, President Soto, Jarecki,
O'Connell, Ridder

NAYS: Peconio

Motion carried.

Emerald Ash Borer

Management Plan: Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee a resolution adopting the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) management plan. Mr. Caracci stated the program will be handled in house through the Forestry Division. Mr. Caracci stated the Village became aware of the ash borer issue in December 2011 and began working on a plan.

Chairman Bartlett asked if the new trees proposed to be planted are replacing ash borer trees. Mr. Caracci stated some were replacing ash borer trees but not all of them.

Chairman Bartlett asked if the Village can assist Residents in seeking a low cost for tree removal. Mr. Caracci stated he will explore the possibility and inform the Committee.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Chairman Bartlett, President Soto, Jarecki,
O'Connell, Peconio, Ridder

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Title 8, Chapter 6: Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee an ordinance amending sections of Title 8, Chapter 6, Article A "General Wastewater Pretreatment Program" as it relates to local limits. Mr. Caracci stated the ordinance has been drafted to go into effect upon approval of IDOT.

There were no questions from the Committee.

Motion: Trustee O'Connell made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. Trustee Jarecki seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Chairman Bartlett, President Soto, Jarecki,
O'Connell, Peconio, Ridder

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Informational
Items:**

Director of Public Work, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee a branch and brush pickup proposal for 2012. Mr. Caracci is proposing eliminating the drop off site that would allow the Village to save between \$8,000 to \$12,000. Mr. Caracci has met with Allied Waste and believes Residents have not been properly educated on what can be disposed of through Allied Waste. Mr. Caracci has proposed four dates for brush and branch pickup throughout town consisting of April 9th, May 29th, September 4th, and November 15th.

Trustee Peconio stated closing the drop off facility would be inadequate to the residents.

Trustee Ridder suggested opening the drop off facility for a certain amount of time and educate residents that visit the facility of what can and cannot be disposed of through Allied Waste. Trustee Ridder also suggested informing residents that often visit the facility about the intentions to close the facility.

Trustee O'Connell stated dates should be consistent year to year.

Consensus from the Committee was to leave the site open on the second Saturday in June, July and August and have Staff properly inform users about the potential closing of the site. Consensus from the Committee was to also have brush and branch pickup on April 9th, May 29th, September 4th, and November 15th. Staff was directed to have a proposal drafted for the confidential packet.

ADJOURNMENT: Trustee Jarecki made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Ridder seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartlett adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Corey Williamsen
Deputy Village Clerk

PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 17th day, April 2012