

February 7, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Deerfield was called to order by Mayor Dan Shapiro on Monday, February 7, 2022 at 7:30 pm via Zoom. The clerk called the roll and announced that the following were:

Present: Dan Shapiro, Mayor
Robert Benton
Elaine Jacoby
Tom Jester
Rebekah Metts-Childers
Mary Oppenheim
William Seiden

and that a quorum was present and in attendance. Also present were Village Manager Kent Street at Village Hall and Steven Elrod, Village Attorney.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

DBR Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Vicki Street, led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Shapiro noted Ms. Street has been involved in many activities within the Village and always does a great job. Ms. Street thanked the Village for their ongoing support of all the local businesses. She reported there is a Valentine's Day program called Love Local. She noted residents can post about a business they love and be entered into a drawing to win a \$50 gift certificate.

DOCUMENT APPROVAL

Trustee Oppenheim moved to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2022 Board of Trustees meeting. Trustee Jacoby seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jacoby, Jester, Metts-Childers, Oppenheim, Seiden (6)

NAYS: None (0)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Village Treasurer Eric Burk presented highlights from the December Treasurer's Report representing the Fiscal Year 2021. Mr. Burk noted the amounts reflected in this report are subject to year-end adjustment and audit. Net sales tax continues to show growth from the prior two years. Year-to-date gross sales tax includes significant economic incentive activity that also resulted in significant expenditures in the Finance Department budget. Water and sewer revenues decreased, as expected. Hotel tax reflects current payments from all hotels and a back payment from one hotel. State income tax exceeded budget for the year due in part to higher than anticipated corporate profits and salaries statewide. December food and beverage tax is consistent with the 2019 amounts. Notable expenditures in December include engineering/construction costs, budgeted transfers to the IRF & 2011B sinking fund, Police Pension Contribution, separation refund from the Police Pension Fund and three payrolls.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Trustee Seiden moved to approve the bills and

payroll dated February 7, 2022. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jacoby, Jester, Metts-Childers, Oppenheim, Seiden (6)

NAYS: None (0)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Communications Specialist David Fitzgerald read an email from Dr. Danielle Schneider-Maldonado regarding the Covid-19 mitigation measures for children that are uncoupled for the risk. The pandemic and absence of normalcy have caused mental health issues in children with 1 in 4 showing depression symptoms and 1 in 5 showing symptoms of anxiety. It is time to discontinue masking in schools. She asked policy makers to reinstall normalcy in schools and appropriately balance the risks. There is no longer a mask mandate. It has been two years.

Mitch Shore expressed concern because he had to call 911 due to vehicles blocking the street. He believes if it were during school exit, an ambulance would not have been able to get to their home on King Richard's Court. Mr. Shore noted there have been a number of traffic violations including blocking driveways, stacking cars 2 – 3 deep, etc. He also expressed concern about misleading messaging and support of BLM messaging in the schools, as they go against the police department.

REPORTS

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION
ON THE REPORT AND
RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLAN
COMMISSION ON THE REQUEST FOR
APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO
A SPECIAL USE FOR TOWNSHIP HIGH
SCHOOL DISTRICT 113 TO PERMIT AN
ADDITION, RENOVATIONS, AND SITE
IMPROVEMENTS TO DEERFIELD HIGH
SCHOOL AT 1959 WAUKEGAN ROAD

The Plan Commission held a Public Hearing on December 9, 2021 to consider the request from District 113 to permit an addition, renovations and site improvements. The Plan Commission voted 5-0 in favor of the request.

The high school is proposing a new 900 seat auditorium, a 200-seat studio theater and reconstructed support spaces. The proposed addition is 15,855 square feet and 23,586 square feet of reconstruction of the existing space for a total area of 39,441 square feet for the new auditorium. The petitioner is seeking height modifications for the proposed auditorium from 60' to 75'-8" for the auditorium. As part of the renovations, the existing adjacent bus pick-up and drop-off loop will be removed and replaced further west. Staff is also recommending rooftop mechanical screening and rooftop screening.

Brian Ahmer, Director of Facilities and Mike Denz, Project Architect with FGM Architects, were present. Mr. Denz provided an overview of the proposed project. The current main entrance would be replaced in the addition and would be more visible to Waukegan Road. They propose pavement modifications and a new pedestrian walkway as well as a shift in the bus turnaround. The site improvements include bike racks, planters and decorative bollards as well

as new benches near the front door of the school. Mr. Denz explained they are requesting a 15-foot variance to accommodate the necessary clearances as well as the structural depth.

The proposed landscaping plan includes removing and mitigating some trees as well as adding additional shade trees. They will add perennials, annual grasses and shrubs.

Stephen Corcoron with Ericsson Engineering discussed the traffic patterns and parking. He noted there will be few changes to the traffic and parking. The Plan Commission expressed concern about bus movement throughout the day, but demonstrated busses could also get through. Mr. Corcoron performed a traffic study which found 72% of traffic comes from the south and 28% of traffic comes from the north. He noted in 2020, the student population was 1615, in 2021 it dropped to 1500 and in the future, the student population is expected to drop to 1385. Based on the Village Code, the current parking count of 637 spaces exceeds the required number of spaces.

Trustee Oppenheim asked about the Code requirements that were previously agreed to regarding the HVAC equipment screening. The equipment is visible from Waukegan Road. When the Village questioned this, the district said they wanted to save the money and the district did not need to answer to the Village even though they committed to these requirements. Trustee Oppenheim asked what guarantee the Village has these new units will be screened and the previously agreed upon screening would occur. Mr. Ahmer explained the screening is part of this project and in the scope of the bid documents. He has just started the research of the previous project. While that screening is not part of this project, he would bring it back to the Board of Education. Mr. Street suggested including conditions of providing screening for both the current and prior project. The school has worked to have school parking on the school campus.

Trustee Seiden asked about parking on Village streets. Mr. Corcoran explained the proposal accommodates more parking on campus. Trustee Seiden asked about the vehicles that cannot park in the parking lot. Mr. Ahmer explained the conditions of the proposal do not affect the parking count. Trustee Seiden explained a number of residents have complained about vehicles parking on the streets. He believes the students should be considered as well as the Village Code. Mr. Street believes the reduction in the numbers has reduced the number of complaints. Chief Sliozis noted the problem has resolved itself over the past couple of years.

Trustee Oppenheim asked if the auditorium would be available for use by community groups as the Plan Commission was told the programming was so tight and it would not be possible. Some of the neighbors are not thrilled to see the height of the building and would want it to be a community resource. Mr. Ahmer explained they would like to increase the rentals. They currently do not have the opportunity to have rentals because they use the facility.

Trustee Oppenheim moved to accept the report and recommendation of the Plan Commission on the request for approval of an amendment to a Special Use for Township High School District 113 to permit an addition, renovations and site improvements to Deerfield High School located at 1959 Waukegan Road and direct the Village Attorney to prepare an Ordinance with provisions

guaranteeing the rooftop HVAC units will be screened in the new addition and the 2014 addition. The Village will have a mechanism to ensure that will take place. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jacoby, Jester, Metts-Childers, Oppenheim, Seiden (6)

NAYS: None (0)

CONSENT AGENDA

ORDINANCE O-22-05 AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD WAGE AND SALARY PLAN An Ordinance amending the Village of Deerfield Wage and Salary Plan to correct an erroneous figure.

Trustee Seiden moved to accept the Consent Agenda and adopt the Ordinance amending the Village of Deerfield Wage and Salary Plan. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jacoby, Jester, Metts-Childers, Oppenheim, Seiden (6)

NAYS: None (0)

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION R-22-06 TO AWARD SANITARY SEWER LINING CONTRACT Assistant to the Village Manager, Justin Keenan, explained the Village has been lining sewers for more than 20 years. In total, over 8,800 linear feet of sanitary sewer is proposed to be lined as part of this year's project. The contract for sewer lining was competitively bid for FY 2020 and Visu-Sewer was awarded the contract.

The current contract allows for two 1-year extensions. Visu-Sewer is requesting that the Village authorize the second 1-year extension with reasonable unit price increases. Of the seven-unit prices that will be used in 2022; one price went down; two prices went up and four remained the same. The two-unit prices that were increased are still lower than prices submitted by other bidders in 2020. Every segment scheduled for lining in 2022 is in poor condition and in need of lining for the reduction of I/I or for structural rehabilitation.

Trustee Jester moved to award the contract for the Sewer Lining Program to Visu-Sewer in an amount not to exceed \$425,000. Trustee Seiden seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jacoby, Jester, Metts-Childers, Oppenheim, Seiden (6)

NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION R-22-07 TO AWARD STORM SEWER LINING CONTRACT Mr. Keenan explained the storm sewers throughout the Village have deteriorated over the years and are in need of cleaning and potential rehabilitation.

Until recently, the department has mainly focused on the televising and lining of only sanitary sewers due to I/I concerns. However, as part of the stormwater master plan, the department is beginning to transition its focus on storm sewer needs throughout the Village. As part of this program, storm sewers on streets included in the upcoming street rehabilitation program will be cleaned, televised and lined if needed. Visu-Sewer was the low bidder for the sanitary sewer lining program and there are efficiencies in using the same contractor.

Trustee Seiden moved to waive the competitive bidding process and award the contract for the Storm Sewer Lining to Visu-Sewer in an amount not to exceed \$75,000. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jacoby, Jester, Metts-Childers, Oppenheim, Seiden (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE O-22-06 INCREASING THE NUMBER OF CLASS I LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR EUREST DINING SERVICES, CONCESSIONAIRE FOR HORIZON THERAPEUTICS AT 1 HORIZON WAY An Ordinance increasing the number of Class I liquor licenses (cafeteria) by one for Compass Group USA, dba Eurest Dining Services, concessionaire for Horizon Therapeutics located at 1 Horizon Way.

Trustee Benton asked if the Village could gain revenue from this. Mr. Street explained sales tax would still apply. If it is a corporate event where they are providing employees with a pro-bono beverage, the Village will not get sales tax. If an employee purchases a beverage, the Village will get sales tax.

Zubin Kammula, attorney with Compass Group USA, explained that is built into the cost of what Compass Group is charging the client for F&B services.

Trustee Jester moved to approve the Ordinance increasing the number of Class I liquor licenses by one, for Eurest Dining Services, concessionaire for Horizon Therapeutics. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jacoby, Jester, Metts-Childers, Oppenheim, Seiden (6)

NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION R-22-08 APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD AND THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Mr. Phillips explained the Village approved an IGA with the Illinois Department of Transportation in 2021, which spells out the responsibilities of the Village with respect to traffic signals and the Village's financial obligation to IDOT.

Since that time, the Illinois Department of Transportation has revised section 2, paragraph h, with respect to indemnification. All maintenance is performed by the Illinois Department of Transportation Electrical Maintenance Contractor (EMC). The EMC contract is competitively bid every two years and is all inclusive of traffic signals and roadway lighting within the Village on State highways. The revised agreement proposes no change to the level of service or maintenance cost.

Trustee Oppenheim moved to adopt the Resolution approving an IGA between the Village of Deerfield and the Illinois Department of Transportation. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jacoby, Jester, Metts-Childers, Oppenheim, Seiden (6)
NAYS: None (0)

DISCUSSION

RIBBON CUTTING

Mayor Shapiro noted the ribbon cutting for Sweet Greens took place on January 18, 2022. He welcomed them to the community and wished them great success.

NEXT MEETING

Mr. Street reported the next Board of Trustees meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 due to Presidents' Day.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no additional Public Comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, Trustee Oppenheim moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Seiden seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jacoby, Jester, Metts-Childers, Oppenheim, Seiden (6)
NAYS: None (0)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 pm.

The next regular Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 7:30 pm.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

Village Clerk