

March 1, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Deerfield was called to order by Mayor Harriet Rosenthal remotely on March 1, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. The clerk called the roll and announced that the following were:

Present: Harriet Rosenthal, Mayor
Robert Benton
Tom Jester
Mary Oppenheim
William Seiden
Dan Shapiro
Barbara Struthers

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jonah Simon led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Simon won first place in the Illinois Congressional Debate. On January 23, 2021, he advanced to the final round of the Tournament of Champions and won. Mayor Rosenthal reported Public Works will put up a street sign honoring his achievement.

The Optimists Club invites residents to hear Sydney Holubow and Samantha Feinberg, Deerfield High School enterprising students, about their charity Balance Boxes at 7:00 p.m. on March 2, 2021. Mayor Rosenthal noted the Zoom link will be posted to the Village's social media.

DOCUMENT APPROVAL

Trustee Oppenheim moved to accept the minutes from the February 16, 2021 Board, of Trustees meeting. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Finance Director Eric Burk presented highlights from the January 2021 treasurer's report, representing the first month of the fiscal year. Sales tax net of rebate decreased from the same period of the prior two years due primarily to economic incentive activity, which is offset by decreased economic incentive payments and reduced sales due to COVID. Hotel tax reflects payments from five of six hotels whose occupancy continues to be negatively impacted by COVID. Electric utility tax includes a one-time reduction of approximately \$51,000 for previous over distributions. State income tax will need to be monitored closely this year as the proposed State budget includes 10% reduction to LGDF. Food and beverage tax is consistent with the budgeted amount. Overall operating expenditures are below projection due to timing of seasonal/once-a-year expenditures such as liability insurance, memberships and special events.

Mayor Rosenthal noted the Village is down about 50 percent in sales tax and a significant decrease in hotel tax.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Trustee Seiden moved to approve the Bills and Payroll dated March 1, 2021. Trustee Shapiro seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Rosenthal explained the emails received before the meeting would be read during the first Public Comment. If any emails are received during the meeting, they would be read during the second Public Comment. If someone wants to make a comment via Zoom, they need to raise their hand on Zoom or press *9 by phone.

There were no in-person public comments on non-agenda items.

Mr. Street received an email public comment from Christopher Goodsnyder requesting the Village reconsider their authorization to purchase seven standard model Ford Interceptor SUVs. The hybrid SUVs have superior performance to previous models, as shown on the Ford website, and would save the Village more than \$75,000 in gas as well as limit carbon emissions. Chief Sliozis reported they looked at the hybrid model but found there is not a proven record for police use at this point. They have one hybrid in the department but have not found whether it is worth the investment and whether there has been a savings in gasoline at this point. Mr. Goodsnyder, present on Zoom, also provided a Car & Driver article which stated the hybrid has a good gas model. He believes the Village is missing the opportunity to take advantage of the fuel efficiency and sustainable efforts. Mr. Goodsnyder asked the Board to do their due diligence and do more research before making the purchase. Trustee Jester noted the Village does not debate public comments.

REPORTS

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON
THE PLAN COMMISSION'S
RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE
THE 2021 ZONING MAP

Each year the Village must publish a new Zoning map by March 31 reflecting the changes for the preceding calendar year. The Plan Commission reviewed the 2021 Zoning map and recommend Village Board approval. The only change was a street name change.

Trustee Oppenheim moved to approve the 2021 Zoning map. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON
THE REPORT AND
RECOMMENDATION OF THE
COMMUNITY RELATIONS
COMMISSION UPDATING THE
COMMISSION'S OVERVIEW AND
FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES

The Community Relations Commission approved updates to their overview, functions and duties. The main change is the removal of mentions of specific groups, senior citizens and youth, to focus more broadly on all residents and population groups.

Trustee Shapiro moved to accept the report and recommendation of the Community Relations Commission updates to the Commission's overview, functions and duties. Trustee Struthers seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

CONSENT AGENDA

ORDINANCE O-21-07 AUTHORIZING A
SIGN PLAN AMENDMENT FOR A NEW
WALL SIGN FOR THE OFFICE
BUILDING LOCATED AT 155
PFINGSTEN ROAD – 2R

An Ordinance authorizing a sign plan amendment for a new wall sign for the office building located at 155 Pfingsten Road. Second Reading.

ORDINANCE O-21-08 VACATING A
PORTION OF THE WEST HALF OF A
NORTH-SOUTH ALLEY LYING
BETWEEN HAZEL AVENUE AND FAIR
OAKS AVENUE

An Ordinance vacating a portion of the west half of a north-south alley lying between Hazel Avenue and Fair Oaks Avenue. Second Reading

Trustee Struthers moved to accept the Consent Agenda and adopt the Ordinances. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE O-21-09 AMENDING
SECTION 9.02-F.3 OF THE DEERFIELD
ZONING ORDINANCE 1978, AS
AMENDED, TO ALLOW A DIGITAL
SCOREBOARD AT A PUBLIC HIGH
SCHOOL PROPERTY TO BE USED FOR

An Ordinance amending Section 9.02-F.3 of the Deerfield Zoning Ordinance 1978, as amended, to allow a digital scoreboard at a public high school property to be used for certain non-athletic uses in the P-1 District. Second Reading.

CERTAIN NON-ATHLETIC USES IN
THE P-1 DISTRICT – 2R

Mr. Street explained the school is requesting ten events per year instead of six. The North Trails HOA and Deerfield High School both agreed. Mr. Elrod revised the Ordinance. There have been discussions that the HOA made a proposal regarding the text in the Ordinance. He codified the understanding of the HOA February 25 memo. DHS agreed on the number of community events using video and static images. The HOA agreed that advertising could occur. Mr. Elrod and staff both recommend approval as the revised Ordinance meets approval of both the HOA and DHS.

Mayor Rosenthal reassured the high school approved the changes. Andi Kenney, of the North Trails HOA, thanked everyone for their cooperation and taking the HOA interest into consideration. She is looking forward to the upgraded scoreboard and activities. The revised Ordinance should not tie the hands of DHS or the booster club with static images. Mr. Elrod noted the community events includes restrictions on static images and sound with pre-produced video. Larry Letwat noted static images generally have no sound and should not be limited. Ms. Kenney noted only sound associated with pre-produced video or sound associated with static images should be limited.

There were two comments received via Zoom.

Susan Bromberg explained as a past president of the DHS booster club, she is in strong support of the upgraded scoreboard. It will improve the aesthetics and enjoyment of Adams Field as well as benefit current and future students and families.

David Haas is in support of the new digital scoreboard. He is a former president of the DHS Booster Club and applauds the willingness of DHS and the DHS booster club to work with the community. Mr. Haas believes the last-minute request for additional restrictions from HOA is unnecessary as there will not be material differences from the existing PA system.

Trustee Jester moved to adopt the Ordinance allowing a digital scoreboard at a public high school property to be used for certain non-athletic uses in the P-1 Public Lands District as amended. Trustee Struthers seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE O-21-10 APPROVING AN
AMENDMENT TO A SPECIAL USE
PERMIT TO ALLOW THE
INSTALLATION OF A NEW DIGITAL
SCOREBOARD AT DEERFIELD HIGH
SCHOOL – 2R

An Ordinance approving an amendment to a Special Use Permit to allow the installation of a new digital scoreboard at Deerfield High School. Second Reading.

Trustee Oppenheim moved to approve an amendment to a Special Use Permit to allow the installation of a new digital scoreboard at Deerfield High School. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING
AMENDMENTS TO A MIXED-USE
UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT AND
DEVELOPMENT PLANS, A SPECIAL
USE FOR A DRIVE-THRU PHARMACY,
AND EXCEPTIONS TO ZONING
REGULATIONS AND SIGN CRITERIA
AT 95 S. WAUKEGAN ROAD - CHICK-
FIL-A, INC. AND WALGREENS – 1R

An Ordinance approving amendments to a mixed-use unified development and development plans, a Special use for a drive-thru pharmacy and exception to Zoning regulations and sign criteria at 95 South Waukegan Road. First Reading.

At the February 16, 2021, Board of Trustees meeting, the Trustees recommended the petitioner install interior signage to help with interior traffic circulation. The Village Board also recommended

they create a new sign plan that reduces the number of sign panels on the monument sign that is consistent to the reduced number of tenants in the retail building.

Javier Milan with KLOA distributed the plan to the senior management at KLOA to find the best internal traffic control recommendations. They recommended a stop sign and stop bar at the Walgreens drive thru for people exiting the drive-thru and do not enter signage facing westbound. They looked at other examples in Deerfield. The Deerbrook Mall Starbucks exits into a 2-way drive aisle. Portillo's has a similar situation where the drive-thru exits into the main drive aisle. The proposed solution would meet driver expectations. The traffic volume travelling in front of the Walgreens drive thru is about 23 vehicles or 1 vehicle every 1.4 minutes. The internal stop sign and stop bar would be after the drive-thru. The do not enter would be facing west so people do not go into the drive-thru. Mr. Street noted that would not prevent people from going past the drive thru in front of Walgreens.

This will stand as the First Reading of the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 4
OF CHAPTER 21 OF THE MUNICIPAL
CODE RE. TREE PRESERVATION
REGULATIONS AND AMENDING THE
VILLAGE'S TREE PRESERVATION
ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL – 1R

An Ordinance amending Article 4 of Chapter 21 of the Municipal Code regarding Tree Preservation Regulations and amending the Village's Tree Preservation Manual. First Reading.

Director of Public Works and Engineering Bob Phillips highlighted the changes from the Municipal

Code and Tree Preservation Administrative Manual. The changes are intended to bring the Code up to date with our current practice and modify certain parameters within the Ordinance that may further enhance the goals of preserving existing trees and promoting repopulation and diversity of the urban forest. The proposed changes include a special designation for heritage trees, limits monoculture planting, a species rating guide, credit for invasive species removal and trunk diameter mitigation.

Trustee Oppenheim applauds the addition of taking out invasive species, thinks it is important the Village has control over removal of the invasive species.

This will stand as a First Reading of the Ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION R-21-06
REALLOCATING 2021 VOLUME CAP
TO THE VILLAGE OF BUFFALO
GROVE, ILLINOIS

A Resolution reallocating the 2021 volume cap to the Village of Buffalo Grove, Buffalo Grove, Illinois.

Communications Coordinator Fitzgerald-Sullivan reported several home-rule communities pool the money which is reallocated to Lake County Partners for local projects.

Trustee Jester moved to adopt the Resolution reallocating the 2021 volume cap to the Village of Buffalo Grove, Illinois. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION R-21-07 FOR
CONSTRUCTION ON A STATE
HIGHWAY

A Resolution authorizing construction on a State highway. Mr. Phillips reported the approval of this Resolution would expedite the issuance of permits for the Village over the next two years. In

the case of an emergency, the Village will be able to receive verbal approval through the IDOT Communications Center to perform repairs 24 hours a day.

Trustee Oppenheim moved to adopt the Resolution for construction on a State highway. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION R-21-08 AUTHORIZING
AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE
VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD AND THE
VILLAGE OF WHEELING
CONCERNING ACCESS TO STARCOM
21 TALK GROUPS

A Resolution authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Village of Deerfield and the Village of Wheeling concerning access to Starcom 21 Talk Groups.

Deputy Chief Tom Keane explained this agreement would provide direct access to any frequencies used day-to-day. Starcom 21 requires a memorandum of understanding between the municipalities. There is no cost to the agreement. Deputy Chief

Keane noted this Resolution would also encompass connecting with other municipalities. Mr. Street explained this supports mutual aid.

Trustee Shapiro asked why there are not more of these agreements. Deputy Chief Keane explained Highland Park and Northbrook are bordering towns, so it is easier to monitor. This is more of a direct communication and Wheeling is adjacent to the Department's service area.

Trustee Struthers moved to adopt the Resolution authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Deerfield and the Village of Wheeling and other communities concerning access to Starcom 21 Talk Groups. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

<u>AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT</u>	Assistant to the Director of Public Works Justin Keenan reported as part of the 2021 budget, the department proposed replacing three vehicles and two pieces of equipment through the VERF.
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The purchases are all part of the Public Works vehicle replacement schedule. The total cost of the vehicles and equipment is \$265,129.44 which is \$15,293.56 under budget.

Trustee Jester moved to waive the competitive bidding process and purchase one ¾ ton pickup truck from Raymond Chevrolet and outfitted by Linco in a net amount not to exceed \$64,850.69 after trade-in, one half-ton pick-up truck from Raymond Chevrolet in a net amount not to exceed \$25,993.75 after trade-in, a Kubota Concrete Breaker from Burris Equipment in an amount not to exceed \$10,850, a five ton dump truck from Monroe and outfitted by Linco in an amount not to exceed \$131,742 and a Bobcat Skid Steer from Bobcat in a net amount not to exceed \$31,693. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

DISCUSSION

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Street indicated there was no additional public comment received during the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, Trustee Benton moved to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Jester, Oppenheim, Seiden, Shapiro, Struthers (6)

NAYS: None (0)

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

The next regular Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

Village Clerk