

**Village of Wonder Lake, McHenry County, Illinois**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
**Wednesday June 20, 2012**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Meeting called to at 7:06 pm**

**Roll Call** Present: Topf, McIntosh, Gay, Anderson, Learman, Lynd, Naatz, Reinhard, Sullivan  
Absent: None  
A quorum was established with 6 Trustees

**Attorney** Present

**Special Meeting in Recess at 7:06 PM**

**Department Updates**

**Engineering – Bud Reed, Manhard Consulting LTD.** - Not Present – Nothing at this time

**Public Works - Steve Weir, Public Works Director** – Not Present

**Police - Chief Mason** – Not Present

**General Affairs - Trustee Reinhard** – Present

- **Ash Trees** – 8 trees 40 ft. high and 30 years old and are starting to die, 1 is down
- **Softball 4 Wheeler** – Softball has the registration for the 4 wheeler now and is looking into insurance. If Softball cannot get insurance than the Village may need to consider purchasing the 4 wheeler and obtaining the insurance needed

**Re-opened the Special Meeting at 7:18 PM**

**Returned to the COW Meeting at 7:20 PM**

**Financial - Trustee Naatz** – Present

- **Road Program** – working on ideas to get money to cover the shortfall

**E.S.D.A. Health - Trustee Learman** – Present – Nothing at this time

**Planning and Zoning Commission – Chairperson Cavanaugh** – Not Present

- **East Side Home** – Village President Topf informed the Board that trying to find a way to get the house taken down or fixed. Village Attorney Curran informed the Board that there are a couple processes that can be followed when citations have been ignored by the homeowner. There are provisions in the Municipal Code for demolition. There will be a definite expense to the Village. There are 2 options. There will have to be a title search. The first option will serve a 15 day notice to homeowner/lien holder to demolish and if no action taken then the Village can ask the court for Village Ownership. The second way or Expedited process involves putting up a 2 ft. x 2 ft. sign on the property and post a notice for 30 days. Then have to publish a notice of remediation for 3 consecutive days and then record the notice of what has been done. In either process the Village has authority to put property in safe condition at the Village's expense. The Village can record a lien for all expenses against the lot/lots involved. The first step is to find out who the owners/lien holders are. The Trustees discussed the expenses involved in the demolition of the house, how to find the owners and if feasible to purchase the property in question. Village Attorney Curran was not sure in best interest of Village to purchase the property but that would need to find out who owns the property before any action could be taken.

**Communications / Public Relations – Trustee Sullivan** – Present

- **4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade** – will need a truck for 4 people plus the driver

**Sewer and Water - Trustee Anderson – Present**

- **Septic Program** – Aarow Septic Service signed up for the program and will be dumping 4 to 6 trucks a day
- **Water Usage** – a lot of water is being used so important to remind residents about watering on odd/even days as stated in Watering Ordinance, Trustee Naatz informed the Board that only people on the water system are involved in the Ordinance and that some people on the Lake use the Lake water for sprinkling.

**Old Business:**

- **SSA 9 Tax Payment Amount** – Trustee Lynd asked if there was any information about why there was an increase in the amount to be paid for the SSA 9 Tax. Village Attorney Curran informed the Board that he has contacted Laura Bilas about this situation and is waiting for a response.
- **Bike Race** – is being held on Sunday from 9 am to 4 pm, still looking for a couple volunteers for afternoon 4 hour shifts. All children who participate will receive a ribbon for participation. The children's event is at 11:00 am.
- **Seal coating and Striping Parking Lot** – Police Mason reminded the Board that the parking lot will be seal coated on Friday and Saturday and the Striping will be done on Sunday

**New Business:** None

**Motion to Adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting**

**Motion by:** Trustee Learman

**Second by:** Trustee Naatz

**Voice Vote** Ayes: Anderson, Learman, Lynd, Naatz, Reinhard, Sullivan

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carries with 6 Trustees

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM

Minutes submitted by: /s/ Jo-Ellen McIntosh, Village Clerk