

**Village of Wonder Lake, McHenry County, Illinois
Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting
Wednesday, September 20, 2023**

Meeting called to order at 7:40 pm

Roll Call Present: Dycus, McIntosh, Dirr, Hilton, Houston, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini
Absent: Learman
A quorum was established with 5 Trustees.

Attorney Present

Public Comment: None

Department Updates

Engineering – Ryan Christensen, Robinson Engineering – Present

- **Stonewater** – NRB Mass Earth Work for expanding neighborhoods ; Robinson almost done with conditional approval letter for infrastructure completed, not official acceptance ; Single lot reviews in original 700+ homes ; NRB ready to expand more neighborhoods

Sewer and Water –Ryan Christensen, Robinson Engineering– Present

- **Wooded Shores** – water repair
- **Flushing of Water Systems** – working on scheduling possibly in October
- **Spray Irrigation Systems** – will winterize the systems
- **Hydrant Repairs** – ones that can be repaired are being done now, a couple new hydrants on West side will require partial shutdown of system, want to do this fall

Village Attorney – Richard Curran – Present

- **Tax Levy Season** – last year did publish a Truth & Taxation for 17% for new properties, will have numbers at next meeting ; will pass at the first December meeting

Public Works – Chuck Bissel, Public Works Director – Present

- **Truck** – looking at 4 doors, conducive to what Village needs
- **Langton** – will have more information at the next meeting

Police – Chief Redlin – Not Present – Nothing at this time

General Affairs – Trustee Reinhard – Present – Nothing at this time

Financial – Treasurer Dirr – Present

- **Illinois Government Financial Officer Association** – attended the annual conference in Peoria; some topics discussed emergency preparedness, ethical behavior, financial side of FOIAs

Pollinator Habitat Restoration and Enhancement Department - Trustee Palys – Present

- **Plants** – received 2300 plants today for the Islands, part of the Nicor Grant

Planning & Zoning Commission – Chairperson Cavanaugh – Not Present - Nothing at this time

Communications / Public Relations – Trustee Tollini – Present – Nothing at this time

Village Administrator – Bill Beith – Present

- **Stonewater HOA** – 2 subdivisions asking about becoming Golf Cart communities ; when approved signs will be posted ; age targeted/single family subdivisions on Eastside of the main road
- **Original Zoning Ordinance** – sent to B&F, Village Clerk McIntosh getting amendments from 2011 to present together to send to B&F for review and possible rewrite

Old Business:

- **Annexation of Hancock Drive Update** – working through some objections

New Business:

- **Water Billing and Operations** – Jen working on analysis of all contracted expenditures ; condensed down to water and wastewater, completed Project Expenses for last 3 fiscal years, shows total by projects and percentage increase year over year ; now working on Personnel Expenses for last 3 fiscal years ; will be able to compare contracted vs in house operations with own staff

Motion to Adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting

Motion by: Trustee Tollini

Second by: Trustee Hilton

Voice Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Learman

Motion carries with 5 Trustees

Meeting Adjourned at 8:08 PM

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