

**VILLAGE OF WESTON  
BOARD MINUTES**

**MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009**

**I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Schuster called the Village Board meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. Trustees present were White, Schmutzler, Maloney, Ziegler and Ermeling. Jaeger was absent and excused. Administrator Zuleger, Public Works Director Donner, Project/SW Engineer Kangas, Director of Information Systems Crowe, Finance Director Jacobs, Community Development Director Higgins, Chief Sparks, Lieutenant McBain and Fire Chief Meilahn were also present. There were 12 audience members present.

**II. VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES**

**A. 04/20/09**

*\*M/S/P Schmutzler/Ziegler: to approve the Village Board Minutes of 4/20/09 and place on file.*

**III. VISITORS**

There were no visitors.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Ordinance amending Section 18.142 (i) 3 of the Municipal Code relating to Pawnbrokers**

*\*M/S/P Ermeling/Maloney: to approve the Ordinance amending Section 18.142 (i) 3 of the Municipal Code relating to Pawnbrokers.*

**B. Purchasing a Weather Siren to be included in the 2011 Budget**

White said the Public Safety Committee wanted the Board to know that a weather siren purchase will be included in the 2011 budget. Zuleger said there have been some discussions with the Town of Weston regarding a joint purchase of a siren for budget year 2010. *\*M/S/P Maloney/White: to approve staff continue discussions on the joint purchase of a siren and bring the item back to the Board for approval at a later date.*

**C. Operator License**

**1. Vicki Schimmers**

*\*M/S/P White/Ziegler: to approve the Operator license for Vicki Schimmers.*

**D. Vouchers**

*\*M/S/P Ermeling/Schmutzler: to approve vouchers 25966 to 26039.*

**V. COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**A. Public Works and Utility Committee Minutes**

*\*M/S/P Schmutzler/Ziegler: to acknowledge the Public Works and Utility Committee Minutes of 4/20/2009 and place on file.*

**B. Public Safety Committee Minutes**

*\*M/S/P Schmutzler/Ziegler: to acknowledge the Public Works and Utility Committee Minutes of 4/16/2009 and place on file.*

**C. Finance Committee Minutes**

*\*M/S/P Schmutzler/Ziegler: to acknowledge the Public Works and Utility Committee Minutes of 3/26/2009 and place on file.*

**VI. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**A. Parks & Recreation Superintendent**

Zuleger said there will be a boundless playground meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. He asked the Board members to try and attend.

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### B. Police Chief

Sparks reported the Neumann trial begins next week. He also said he met earlier today with County representatives on a radio grant. The county will fund whatever money is not covered under the grant for radios countywide.

### C. Fire Chief

#### 1. Significant Fire and EMS incidents since last Board Meeting

Meilahn said the Fire and EMS statistics will be in the next meeting packet. The Department recently had two fire structures they were called to. He also reported he will include weather sirens in the FEMA grant application.

### D. Director of Public Works

#### 1. Project Update

Donner reported there would be an informational meeting on the pedestrian bridge this Wednesday at Saint Clare's Hospital. There will be a Mount View West meeting on Thursday. There will also be a Camp Phillips Road reconstruction meeting at the Boy Scout Camp on May 13<sup>th</sup>

#### 2. Sewer and Water Service to Un-serviced Areas

Donner indicated the agenda items are mislabeled

Donner said staff will continue to prepare for meeting with the neighborhoods on sewer and water to un-serviced areas. The meeting with the Yellow Banks neighborhood will be on May 27<sup>th</sup>.

##### a. Special Assessment Repayment Options

Donner said that staff recommends the Village require repayment of special assessments on the same terms as the Village's borrowing. The Street improvements would be paid back in 10 years and water or sanitary sewer improvements are paid back in 20 years.

##### b. Deferral of Sewer/Water Connections

Donner said staff is in favor of allowing residents additional time to replace their systems by deferring the connection to sewer and water. The Board agreed there should be some criteria in place to allow the deferral. Maloney expressed some reservations about how this may prove to be impractical based on his experience in the Kellyland area.

##### c. Curb and Gutter or No Curb and Gutter

Donner said the new regulations are pushing toward the no curb and gutter option. Staff will research this item a bit more and bring a recommendation back to the Board at a later date.

#### 3. Surface Maintenance Budget 2009

Donner presented and reviewed a 2009 surface maintenance budget to the Board.

#### 4. Utility and Street Operations Report

No comments

### E. Community Development Department Report / Zoning Administrator

Higgins reported the Craft and Plant sale, with over 40 vendors, is this coming Saturday. The Village wide rummage sale starts on Friday and the map is now available. There are over 140 residents participating. The Farmers Market is full. There will be a public hearing July 6<sup>th</sup> for a street vacation on Northland Street. The Plan Commission Packet will be ready later this week.

### F. Finance Director

#### 1. Financial Audit Update

Jacobs reported the Finance Department is wrapping up the fieldwork on the Village's audit. The Everest Metro audit fieldwork will be done next Monday.

#### 2. Budget Status Update

Jacobs reported there is a healthy 2008 budget surplus in the four tax levy-impacted funds. Of that 2008 surplus there was a sufficient amount to cover the 2009 budget, with a balance left over for 2010. He also said there is a concern for the 2011 budget because of slow housing starts in 2009.

#### 3. 2009-2015 CIP Budget

Jacobs said staff held a CIP budget meeting. Trustee Ermeling was also present. The Finance Department will continue to work on this budget. Jacobs hopes to have final borrowing resolution for the CIP approved in July.

**G. Administrator's Report**

**1. Economic Development Report**

**a. TIF Strategies / McDevco**

Zuleger said staff has talked about withdrawing land from TIF #2 and putting it on the tax roll.

Zuleger also said he has been working with McDevco on some strategies to recruit businesses.

**2. Community Development Report**

**a. Taxpayer Communication Vehicles**

**1. Website, Newsletter, Hmong Communication**

Zuleger said staff will be meeting with a marketing company called Flapjack. They will evaluate the Village's website and newsletter.

Zuleger received approximately 120 responses from the taxpayer question of the month regarding winter maintenance. He will bring the final results to the next meeting.

Zuleger handed out basic Hmong communication to staff members. Some of the employees have already tried to use it.

**b. Area-wide Garbage Contract Discussion**

Zuleger said a second area-wide garbage meeting was held last week. They discussed creating a master contract and tipping fees from the landfill.

**c. Green Acres Update**

Zuleger said Green Acres is current on all their bills. They had the lowest month in April for police calls.

**d. Citizens of the Year / Volunteer of the Year Award Process**

Zuleger said there are two nominations so far for Citizens of the Year. He asked the Board members to nominate any Committee member that stands out.

**e. Smoking Ordinance Update**

Zuleger said AB253, prohibiting smoking in indoor areas, is in front of the assembly. There will be four issues discussed to include an implementation date, allowing outdoor smoking, allowing cigar bars and an exemption to allow hotels to have smoking rooms.

**H. Clerk's Report**

There was a short discussion regarding Board of Review certification. It was stated there would be a quorum for Board of Review, which will be held on June 9<sup>th</sup>.

**VII. TRUSTEE BUSINESS**

**A. Maloney**

None

**B. White**

White asked about the possibility of increasing pawn shop transaction fees. Zuleger said the ordinance may need to be amended again to include that change. The Safety Committee will discuss this item at their next meeting.

**C. Jaeger**

None

**D. Schmutzler**

None

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**E. Ziegler**

none

**F. Ermeling**

None

**VIII. PRESIDENT'S BUSINESS**

**A. Committee Appointments and Terms**

*\*M/S/P White/Schmutzler: to approve the Standing Committee appointment and terms as listed and eliminate the Economic Committee.*

**IX. ADJOURN**

*\*M/S/P White/Maloney: to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.*

Respectfully,

Sherry Weinkauf  
Village Clerk