



Village of Homer Glen

**14933 South Founders Crossing
Homer Glen, Illinois 60491**

Tuesday, June 14, 2011

**Board of Trustees
Board Meeting**

**Village Council Chamber
14917 South Founders Crossing
Homer Glen, IL**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on June 14, 2011 by Mayor Jim Daley at 7:32 p.m. in the Village Council Chamber, 14917 S. Founders Crossing, Homer Glen.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**C. ROLL CALL**

Present at 7:32 p.m. were Mayor Jim Daley, Trustees Mike Costa, Marcia DeVivo, Tedd Kagianas, Mary Niemiec, Margaret Sabo, and George Yukich. All remained throughout the entire meeting. Also present on behalf of the Village were Village Clerk Gale Skrobuton, Village Manager Gary Holmes, Community Development Director Ed Cage, Development Services Director Mike Salamowicz, Assistant to the Village Manager Heather Parker, and Village Attorney Cary Horvath.

A quorum was established.

Mayor Daley asked for a moment of silence in tribute to Army Pfc. Michael Olivieri.

D. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

There were no amendments to the agenda.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES***May 24, 2011 Village Board Meeting***

Trustee Costa made a motion to approve the May 24, 2011 Village Board meeting Minutes; second by Trustee Sabo.

Voice Vote:

All in favor: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Motion Carried

F. RECOGNITIONS**1. Flag Dedication**

Village Manager Gary Holmes stated that in recognition of the 10th Anniversary of the incorporation of the Village of Homer Glen, the Honorable Judy Biggert, member of the U.S. House of Representatives, 13th Congressional District of Illinois, requested a flag of the United States of American be flown over the United States Capital on April 17, 2011. The flag was presented to Mayor James P. Daley and the Homer Glen Village Board on June 14, 2011, a day designated as National "Flag Day" by an Act of Congress on August 3, 1949, signed by President Harry S. Truman. The flag will be displayed in the Homer Glen Village Hall.

2. Army Pfc. Michael C. Olivieri

The Mayor and members of the Board each conveyed their thoughts and condolences to the family and friends of Pfc. Olivieri, and expressed their appreciation to all members of the military who serve and protect our country.

Mayor Daley noted that Army Pfc. Michael Olivieri's will be held Wednesday at Modell Funeral Home, 12641 West 143rd Street from 2:00-7:30 p.m. On Thursday the funeral procession will take place at approximately 10:30 p.m. from the funeral home and will proceed along Bell Road

to 159th Street and continue to Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. The Mayor encouraged all residents to line the streets for the funeral procession to honor our local hero and wave a flag. Flags are available at the Village Hall, library and numerous businesses in the community.

G. APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Daley made the following appointments:

1. Administration and Finance

Reappoint Mary Niemiec and appoint Marcia DeVivo to replace Trustee Yukich, and Tedd Kagianas to replace former Trustee Ward.

Trustee Yukich made a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointments; second by Trustee DeVivo.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

2. Community and Economic Development Committee

Appoint Tedd Kagianas as Co-Chair to replace former Trustee Ward, and Kristopher Plencner as a member.

Trustee Niemiec made a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointments; second by Trustee Yukich.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

3. Parks and Recreation Committee

Appoint Marcia DeVivo as Chairperson to replace former Trustee Knaack.

Trustee Kagianas made a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointment; second by Trustee Costa.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

4. Emergency Management Agency

Appoint Thomas Riley as a member.

Trustee Costa made a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointment; second by Trustee Yukich.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

5. Homer Harvest Days Committee

Appoint Russell Knaack to the Homer Harvest Days Committee to serve through September 30, 2011.

Trustee Kagianas made a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointment; second by Trustee DeVivo.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

6. The Mayor eliminated the Horse Task Force as they have completed their task.

7. Trails Master Plan Task Force

Appoint Marcia DeVivo as Chairperson to replace former Trustee Knaack.

Trustee Niemiec made a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointments; second by Trustee Costa.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

8. Plan Commission

a. Reappoint Tom Bernicky as a member to serve a three-year term through May 31, 2014.

Trustee DeVivo made a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointment; second by Trustee Kagianas.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (2) Trustees DeVivo and Kagianas

Nays: (4) Trustees Costa, Niemiec, Sabo and Yukich

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Failed

Village Attorney Horvath stated that Mr. Bernicky will continue to serve as a member of the Plan Commission until another appointment is made by the Mayor to fill this position.

- b. Reappoint Joseph Maska as a member to serve a three-year term through May 31, 2014.

Trustee Yukich made a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointment; second by Trustee Sabo.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

H. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICERS

1. Mayor Daley reported:

- . Senate Bill 83 is an important piece of legislation which would allow Homer Glen and the other members of the Joint Action Water Agency to take control of the Bedford Park Transmission line. By taking control of the transmission line we will be able to stabilize the water rate increases. Senate Bill 83 passed the Senate (34-21) and the House (66-45) with bi-partisan support. This bill is now awaiting Governor Quinn's signature.
- . The Village Manager, Development Services Director, Community Development Director, Trustees Yukich and DeVivo and the Mayor, along with representatives from IDOT to discuss potential additional access locations along 159th Street. Currently, IDOT's standards provide for median breaks every ¼ mile; however, in previous meetings, IDOT agreed to additional breaks at approximately 1/8 mile locations where additional accesses would be beneficial. IDOT explained that any proposed access points would need to serve multiple properties. Those requested access points which would only serve a single property would be considered a private benefit and would have to be paid for by the property owners. A copy of IDOT's plans will be displayed in the Village Hall for review by anyone who was unable to attend the meeting.
- . Over the last few weeks the Village was notified that we are the recipients of two grant awards. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources selected Erin Hills Park to receive a grant funding assistance in the amount of \$110,900.00 under the State's FY 2011 Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development grant program. The grant will be used to develop the existing park property located in the Erin Hills subdivision. The park will feature a playground, a putting green, and a public grove. Educational opportunities will be provided with the development of an interpretive boardwalk. Additionally, the Village also received a partial grant from IAW in the amount of \$5,000.00. The funds received will be combined with the previously received Hines Emerald Dragonfly Grant and will be used for the clean-up of Long Run Creek.

2. Trustees:

- a. Trustee Costa reported that the Homer Community Anniversary Festival will be held June 23rd through the 26th. Plans are in place and security will be provided around the clock. Trustee Costa thanked the local businesses who have stepped forward to support this event. The festivities will include a carnival, live music, food, beer tent, and local business tent, Battle of the Bands, bean bag tournament, and Friday night fireworks. There will be a viewing area for the fireworks at 155th and Parker Road. The annual parade will be held on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. and will begin at 151st and Parker Road north to Briarwood.
- b. Trustee Yukich reported that he attended the meeting for the 159th Street corridor and commented that if the State goes through with their proposed plan it will hurt Homer Glen. The unmountable medians that are planned from Gougar Road to Will-Cook Road will result in vehicles making u-turns, difficulty for the Fire Departments having access to any accidents, and the possibility of our businesses moving because customers will not be able to get from one side of the street to the other. If grass is put in the middle of the unmountable medians, the Village will have to cut it and it will be an added expense to the taxpayers.

Mayor Daley noted that we are making our presence known, I.D.O.T. is going through with their plans for 159th Street and the unmountable medians.

- c. Trustee Sabo:

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:

Earth Day/Arbor Day

The Environment Committee met on June 13th and evaluated the Earth Day~Arbor Day event on May 21st in preparation for next year. Due to the generous donations and sponsors, the expenses for the festival did not exceed the budgeted amount.

Homer Glen Lands Day

The year 2011 is also the 10th year for celebrating Homer Glen Lands Day. The Homer Glen website will be updated in the near future. Included will be the application for nominating a business, individual, or organization and criteria for nomination.

The award was created to recognize individuals, businesses, community organizations and governmental agencies that through the preservation, restoration, and/or beautification of land within the Village of Homer Glen, have demonstrated commitment to the environment and in the process significantly contributed to community pride. Previous recipients are listed with photographs on the Homer Glen website. The deadline for accepting applications will be August 1st. The awards will be presented at the Homer Glen Board meeting of September 27th. The official day for National Public Lands Day is September 24th. National Public Lands Day is partnering this year with World Water Monitoring Day. More information can be found at www.worldwatermonitoringday.org.

Emerald Ash Borer

Although an application for assistance to combat the Emerald Ash Borer ranked very high earlier this year, the Village did not receive the grant. At this time, the Environment Committee is recommending that the Village be pro-active in taking steps to search for evidence of the Emerald Ash Borer by having a Certified Arborist for Village owned parks and parkways and follow up with recommended practices to combat any destruction. Through Request for Proposals, the Village Board would be informed of the details and cost involved for their evaluation and approval.

Environment Committee Members

The Environment Committee is seeking to add more members for community participation.. Call the Village or volunteer through the website.

- d. Trustee Kagianas noted that since today is Flag Day, it is a time for all Americans to show respect for our flag, not only today, but every day. He commented that for the last few years he and his family have put out approximately 3,000 American Flags to houses in the community to commemorate Flag Day. He thanked everyone who helped in distributing the flags.
 - e. Trustee Niemiec reported:
 - . Matt Ziska, a member of the Community and Economic Development Committee asked if the Village could have a permanent honor, not only for Pfc. Olivieri, but for the heroes of Homer Glen who have been serving in the Military and for those who have passed. The Committee discussed dedicating the first leg of our trail system as the Homer Glen Heroes leg of the trail. Trustee Niemiec commented that she would like to bring this before the Board for discussion at a future Board Meeting. Matt Ziska had also stated that he wants to organize a 5K Run to raise money for a charity that the Olivieri family would like to designate. The Homer Glen Foundation will be working with Matt to coordinate and sponsor this Run. The Olivieri family was asked if they were comfortable with Mike's name being used for a 5K run and the family indicated they would like to see the donations go to the Homer Glen Trail System. It was suggested that the 5K Run could be held on Veterans' Day, November 11th.
 - . Trustee Niemiec thanked everyone who took the initiative this weekend to get approximately 6,000 flags together for the memorial procession for Mike Olivieri.
 - . The Sewer and Water Task Force meeting for June 15th has been cancelled, and will meet on Tuesday, June 21st.
 - . Trustee Niemiec congratulated Greg Weiss who has been a volunteer since the Village incorporated and is a member of the Public Services and Safety Committee, on being named Police Chief of River Forest.
 - f. Trustee DeVivo commented that she looks forward to working with the Parks Committee on new projects and it is very exciting that we just received the grant for Erin Hills.
3. Village Treasurer – No Report
 4. Village Clerk – No Report
 5. Village Manager – No Report
 6. Village Attorney – No Report
 7. Task Fore Chairperson(s) – No Report
 8. Public Safety Officials:

H. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment

I. LEGISLATION

1. Ordinance No. 11-018 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 10-038 entitled An Ordinance Regulating Outdoor Lighting in the Village of Homer Glen

Trustee Sabo made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 11-018; second by Trustee Costa.

Community Development Director Ed Cage reported that staff has become aware that Table 3-2-1 within the Lighting Ordinance has some conflicting maximum and minimum lighting levels. Staff recommends the deletion of Table 3-2-1 with the replacement of three key components that currently exist in that Table:

1. The maximum to minimum light level ratio shall not exceed 15:1.
2. Automobile service station pumping areas shall be required to meet a minimum standard of 10 foot candles and not exceed a maximum of 30 foot candles.
3. Drive-in and drive-through canopies shall not exceed a maximum of 15 foot candles.

Trustee Sabo commented that this change is very beneficial to the community as it keeps the quality in the ordinance, but takes out any complications. Trespass lighting is always a concern and this still prohibits trespass.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

2. Resolution No. 11-013 - A Resolution Approving a Proposed Road Surfacing Program for 2011.

Trustee Yukich made a motion to approve Resolution No. 11-013; second by Trustee Costa.

Development Services Director Mike Salamowicz stated that the "Proposed 2011 Resurfacing Program" was prepared by Township Highway Commissioner Mike DeVivo. This is a commodity based bid and will allow for changes if necessary. The bid opening is set for June 15, 2011 at the Road District's offices. The program is based on inspections performed by representatives from the Township Highway Department, Smith Engineering and the Village.

Trustee Yukich asked how long after the streets are completed would the markings be put on the streets.

Highway Commissioner DeVivo stated the markings will be done as soon as the paving is completed.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

3. Motion Authorizing the Community Development Director to Initiate an Application for a Text Amendment to Section 10.6-6 of the Village Zoning Ordinance Amending the Signage Regulation in A-1 Agricultural Zoning Districts.

Trustee Costa made a motion to authorize Community Development Director to Initiate a Map Amendment; second by Trustee Sabo.

Community Development Director Ed Cage commented that the existing Signage Regulations section within the agricultural zoning district is deficient in allowing and providing regulations on

school signs, farm-stand signs and park signs. The proposed motion, if authorized, would allow staff to initiate the process of amending the Sign Ordinance relating to this particular section.

A Public Hearing before the Plan Commission will be required with the appropriate legal notice, and it would come back to the Village Board at a future date for review and approval.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

4. Motion Authorizing the Community Development Director to Initiate a Map Amendment to Section 6.1 of the Village Zoning Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map to Create an Overlay Zoning District in an E-1 Single Family Estate Residence District for Woodbine West Estates and a Text Amendment to Table 1B Establishing Site and Structure Bulk Regulations in the New Overlay Zoning District.

Trustee Sabo made a motion to authorize the Community Development Director to Initiate a Map Amendment; second by Trustee DeVivo.

Community Development Director Ed Cage reported that the Woodbine West subdivision is currently zoned E-1 Single-Family Estate Residential and remained E-1 zoning when it was annexed into the Village of Homer Glen. The E-1 zoning required a minimum lot size of 5-acres in size and the lots within this subdivision range from the maximum of 18,677 sq. ft. to the minimum of 9,607 sq. ft. The Village became aware of this problem when the homeowners in the Woodbine West subdivision requested building permits for swimming pools, patios, etc., but they were unable to meet the setbacks required in the E-1 zoning of 40-feet in the rear and 30-feet on the sides.

The proposed motion would allow staff to initiate the process of holding a public hearing for the map amendment and overlay zoning district at the Plan Commission. Mr. Cage noted that not only would the Village be looking at rezoning the property to a more appropriate zoning district, but we would have an overlay zoning district. Woodbine West does not fit ideally into any of our existing zoning districts and the intent is to address an issue that the residents have had for some time.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo, and Yukich.

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

K. WORKSHOP ITEMS

There were no Workshop Items

L. OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business

M. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Sabo made a motion to recess to Executive Session for the purpose of Discussion of Matters Concerning Pending Litigation and Imminent and Probable Litigation, and for Discussion of Land Acquisition; second by Trustee DeVivo.

The Board recessed to Executive Session at 8:42 p.m.

Present at 9:51 p.m. were Mayor Jim Daley, Trustees Mike Costa, Marcia DeVivo, Tedd Kagianas, Mary Niemiec, Margaret Sabo, and George Yukich, Village Clerk Gale Skrobuton, Village Manager Gary Holmes Community Development Director Ed Cage and Village Attorney Cary Horvath.

Trustee Costa made a motion to reconvene the Board Meeting; second by Trustee Niemiec.

The Board reconvened the meeting at 9:51 p.m.

Village Attorney Hovath reported that in Executive Session the Board was presented with the details of the settlement proposal and discussions with Gallagher and Henry and there was a consensus that we move forward with our discussions with Gallagher and Henry pertaining to the lawsuit of Orchard Hill Building Company vs. the Village of Homer Glen. Also discussed was the appraisal of the Jensen parcel and the acquisition of connecting property just outside of the Forest Preserve's property owned by Mr. Lieponis.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Sabo made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second by Trustee Kagianas.

Voice Vote:

All in favor: (6) Trustees Costa, DeVivo, Kagianas, Niemiec, Sabo and Yukich

Nays: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 p.m.


Gale Skrobuton, Village Clerk

Approved at the Board of Trustees Meeting dated June 28, 2011