

VILLAGE OF INDIAN HEAD PARK, ILLINOIS
201 Acacia Drive
Indian Head Park, Illinois 60525

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OPEN SESSION MINUTES

August 8, 2019

“Pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2.06(3) minutes of the public meetings shall include, but need not be limited to a general description of all matters proposed, discussed, or decided and a record of the votes taken.”

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Hinshaw

The regular meeting of the Village of Indian Head Park Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, August 8, 2019, at the Municipal Facility, 201 Acacia Drive and was convened at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Hinshaw.

ROLL CALL: Sharon Allison, Village Clerk

- **PRESENT (and constituting a quorum):**

- Mayor Tom Hinshaw
- Trustee Sean Conboy
- Trustee Rita Farrell-Mayer
- Trustee Shawn Kennedy
- Trustee Brenda O’Laughlin
- Trustee Christian Metz
- Trustee Amy Wittenberg

ALSO PRESENT:

- John DuRocher, Village Administrator
- Robert Cervenka, Chief of Police
- Patrick Brankin, General Counsel, Schain, Banks, Kenny & Schwartz
- Maureen Garcia, Village Treasurer
- Anthony Spinelli, Village Engineer, Strand Associates
- Matt Gadziak, Strand Engineer
- Linda Merrifield, Deputy Clerk and Administrative Assistant
- Argelia Garbacz, Finance Manager
- Nick Tantillo, Cable Station Manager

- Jill O'Brien, Labor Counsel

VISITORS: 11 Indian Head Park Residents and Others

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Sterigenics—Sterigenics is still closed, but trying to reopen by purchasing new material to satisfy EPA standards. Mayor Hinshaw and Administrator DuRocher recently attended a meeting at Ashton Place regarding the issues. Mayor Hinshaw also sent a letter to the Illinois EPA director about our disapproval of the plant remaining open. He and Administrator DuRocher will keep us informed of the situation.
- I-294 Update—Mayor Hinshaw and Administrator DuRocher had a phone conversation with the tollway authority about the road between Vine and Wolf Road. This decision is still a work in progress, mainly because consideration is necessary about where the new road would enter Wolf Road (due to proximity of entrance and exit tollway ramps). In the future, the village may be able to name this new road.
- Car Show—Thanks to all who planned the event—particularly Officer Joe Karmia who spearheaded the project. The event was positive for all involved. It may be repeated next year.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion to Establish Consent Agenda as Printed.

Motion moved by Trustee O'Laughlin. Seconded by Trustee Farrell-Mayer.

Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0). Trustees Conboy, Farrell-Mayer, Kennedy, Metz, O'Laughlin, and Wittenberg voted Yay. No Nay Votes.

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda.

Moved by Trustee Wittenberg. Seconded by Trustee O'Laughlin.

Financial report given Village Treasurer Maureen Garcia. Approval of Payables for the Period Ending July 31, 2019, in the amount of \$414,671.44 was accepted.

Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0). Trustees Conboy, Farrell-Mayer, Kennedy, Metz, O'Laughlin, and Wittenberg voted Yay. No Nay votes.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution 03-19, a Resolution opposing the reopening of the Sterigenics facilities in Willowbrook, Illinois

Motion moved to pass by Trustee O’Laughlin. Seconded by Trustee Kennedy.

Administrator DuRocher discussed the rather stern letter that he drafted to the IEPA to act on the closure of Sterigenics ASAP. All government officials, including state representatives for the area, who were present at the recent meeting stand committed to this process.

Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0). Trustees Conboy, Farrell-Mayer, Kennedy, Metz, O’Laughlin, and Wittenberg voted Yay. No Nay votes.

B. Ordinance 2019-16 Approval Intergovernmental Agreement with Cook County—Phase I Engineering Study-Wolf Road

Trustee Metz motioned to pass Ordinance 2019-16, an ordinance approving an intergovernmental agreement with Cook County for the Phase I Engineering Study for the Wolf Road Reconstruction, subject to attorney approval of form. Seconded by Trustee O’Laughlin.

General Counsel Brankin has prepared an intergovernmental agreement that is presently under review by the county. He then called upon Village Engineer, Mr. Anthony Spinelli, and his associate from Strand & Associates, Mr. Matt Gadziak, to further explain the project. They explained that the Wolf Road project is a Three Phase process. Phase I involves study of the overall scope of the project. Phase II involves the actual construction options. Phase III is the actual construction. Since Wolf Road is a state road, IDOT approval must be granted. The entire project would take 4 ½ to 5 years to complete. However, the project will not even start without payment from the county for the project.

Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0). Trustees Conboy, Farrell-Mayer, Kennedy, Metz, O’Laughlin, and Wittenberg voted Yay. No Nay votes.

C. Resolution 19-04 Authorizing Entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Office of the Comptroller’s Local Debt Recovery Program

Motion moved by Trustee Kennedy. Seconded by Trustee Farrell-Mayer.

Administrator DuRocher stated that this agreement allows the Office of the Comptroller to act as a debt-collection agency for the collection of small debts (such as parking tickets, etc.) for the Village. The current uncollected debt is slightly under \$10,000.

Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0). Trustees Conway, Farrell-Mayer, Kennedy, Metz, O’Laughlin, and Wittenberg voted Yay. No Nay votes.

D. Ordinance 2019-17 Appointment of a Temporary Commander

Motion moved by Trustee Wittenberg. Seconded by Trustee O’Laughlin.

Administrator DuRocher explained that this ordinance would allow the police chief to designate an assistant in his absence.

Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0). Trustees Conway, Farrell-Mayer, Kennedy, Metz, O’Laughlin, and Wittenberg voted Yay. No Nay votes.

E. Discussion- State of Illinois Cannabis Legalization

Discussion was led by Attorney Brankin regarding the sale of cannabis. The state will start granting licenses for 295 dispensaries starting on January 1. The major decision that must be made is whether to allow a dispensary to sell cannabis in IHP or whether to opt out of allowing a dispensary. Trustees decided to seek more information before making a decision at the December meeting. A poll of what residents think about this issue will be published in the next Smoke Signals. Other sources of gaining opinions will be determined.

REPORTS:

TRUSTEES:

Trustee Farrell-Mayer- She is the liaison from the Board to the SEASPAR program. In conjunction with SEASPAR, the Village will be sponsoring a Movie Night at Blackhawk Park at 6; 30 P.M. on Saturday, September 14. The movie will be “Mary Poppins.” Refreshments will be available.

Trustee Metz- The upcoming Yoga in the Park (August) has been cancelled.

VILLAGE CLERK: None

VILLAGE TREASURER: None

VILLAGE ATTORNEY: Attorney Brankin stated that he will present additional information at a closed session of this meeting.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

- Adjudication Process—First session will take place on 3rd Wednesday of August. The Adjudicator will mostly be dealing with minor local violations such as building codes. Basically, the adjudicator will be looking for compliance rather than money.
- The Planning and Development Committee is looking into the possibility of

a Car Wash within IHP. There also may be a developer interested in a new restaurant on the Dome site.

- Leaf Pick-Up is still being evaluated.
- Water Main Project is in full swing. Residents who live within the project area will be notified whenever necessary. The project mainly affects the west side of Wolf Road. Hopefully, the project will be completed by October 15. There will be a Town Meeting on August 22 with involved residents affected by the water main project. Engineer Spinelli requested that no one remove the barriers that are in place throughout the work area. He also informed the residents that when the project is completed, no one should be requesting to come into homes to test the water system.
- The Audit has been completed and was very successful. Thanks go to Village Finance Manager Argelia Garbacz, for her assistance.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Chief Cervenka reported that a great deal of officer training took place in the month. All else was normal.

PUBLIC WORKS: Administrator DuRocher reported that those residents who have sprinkler systems will need to have a back-flow prevention system test.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Several topics were discussed:

- A thank you to the Police Department for offering assistance over a phone scam attempt.
- A plea from a retired school teacher to ban the sale of cannabis in the Village.
- A question about the charge for residents who are required to test water back-flow.
- A question about how much water is lost during the water main project. Engineer Spinelli explained that the flushing that will take place at the end of the project will mainly flush out debris from internal household water lines. However, it would be nearly indeterminable as to the cost of water lost during the project.
- A question about the sale of cannabis. If the Village opts out of sale option at the onset, will it be able to opt in in the future? Attorney Brankin said “yes.”

At 8:25 P.M. Trustee Wittenberg motioned to adjourn to Closed Session to review Closed Session Minutes per 5ILCS120/2c(21) and Collective Bargaining per 5ILCS120/2c(2). Motion was seconded by Trustee O’Laughlin.

Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0). Trustees Conboy, Farrell-Mayer, Kennedy, Metz, O'Laughlin, and Wittenberg voted Yay. No Nay votes.

At 8:55 P.M. The Regular meeting reconvened with the following in attendance: Mayor Hinshaw; Trustees Conboy, Farrell-Mayer, Kennedy, Metz, O'Laughlin, and Wittenberg; Administrator DuRocher, Attorney Brankin

At 8:55 P.M. Trustee Wittenberg motioned to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Trustee O'Laughlin.

Motion carried by voice vote (6-0). Trustees Conboy, Farrell-Mayer, Kennedy, Metz, O'Laughlin, and Wittenberg voted Yay. No Nay votes.

**Sharon Allison
Village Clerk**