

Village of Indian Head Park
201 Acacia Drive
Indian Head Park, IL 60525

MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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

Thursday, November 9, 2006

7:30 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER -MAYOR RICHARD F. PELLEGRINO

The regular scheduled meeting of the Village of Indian Head Park Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, November 9, 2006, at the Municipal Facility, 201 Acacia Drive, and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Richard F. Pellegrino. Village Clerk Joseph Consolo called the roll as follows:

II. ROLL CALL: JOSEPH CONSOLO, VILLAGE CLERK

PRESENT (AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM):

Mayor Richard F. Pellegrino
Trustee Richard Andrews
Trustee Debbie Anselmo
Trustee Anne Bermier
Trustee Carol Coleman
Trustee Norman L. Schnauffer
Trustee Matthew P. Walsh II

ALSO PRESENT:

Frank Alonzo, Administrator
Joseph Consolo, Village Clerk
Patrick Crowley, Chief of Police
Jim Niewiara, Counsel, Quinlan & Carroll, Ltd.
Edward Santen, Water/Public Works Superintendent

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Pellegrino and the Board of Trustees led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: *“I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God indivisible with liberty and justice for all”.*

Mayor Pellegrino and the Board of Trustees paused for a moment of silence and a moment of support for all the men and women serving in the armed forces at home and abroad and for all those members of the military who have sacrificed on behalf of the country over the past two plus centuries.

I PRESENTATION OF STUDS TERKEL HUMANITIES SERVICE AWARD BY MAYOR PELLEGRINO TO TRUSTEE ANNE BERMIER

Mayor Pellegrino stated it is with great pleasure and honor to present Trustee Anne Bermier with the Studs Terkel Humanities service award from the Illinois Humanities Council. Mayor Pellegrino noted that he nominated Trustee Bermier to receive the Studs Terkel Award for her many years of dedicated service to the community. He further noted the following information about the Illinois Humanities Council: *“In every community there are individuals who volunteer their time and energy to carry the torch of the humanities. They read books to kids after school or teach their neighbors to read. They keep the doors to the historical societies open, and they see the connection between the past and future of their neighborhoods and communities. By their examples; they help us to recognize the importance of the humanities in all our lives. Their efforts enrich civic life at the local level.”* Mayor Pellegrino stated that sentiment and the foundation of the Humanities Council signifies everything that Anne Bermier has meant to all of us. Mayor Pellegrino noted that in the last seven years since the award was initiated by the Illinois Humanities Council, only four hundred people in the entire State of Illinois have received the Studs Terkel Award.

Trustee Bermier stated that she would like to share the Studs Terkel Award with the many docents in the Village who have volunteered their time also to the Heritage Center Library.

I APPOINTMENT OF POLICE OFFICER RAYMOND LEUSER III AS SERGEANT OF THE INDIAN HEAD PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Pellegrino entertained a motion to appointment Police Officer Raymond Leuser as Sergeant of the Indian Head Park Police Department. Trustee Walsh moved, seconded by Trustee Andrews, to appoint Raymond Leuser as Sergeant of the Indian Head Park Police Department. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (6/0/0).

Aye: Andrews, Anselmo, Bermier, Coleman, Schnauffer, Walsh

Nay: None

Absent: None

Mayor Pellegrino stated that Officer Leuser has been a tremendous officer for the Indian Head Park Police Department, there is pride in the job that Officer Leuser has done over the last several years and the effort that was put into the study and preparation for the sergeant's exam. Mayor Pellegrino and the Board congratulated Officer Leuser on his appointment to sergeant.

Sergeant Ray Leuser stated that it is a pleasure working with the staff of the Indian Head Park Police Department, the entire Village Board and Administration Office staff and he looks forward to serving as Sergeant of the Indian Head Park Police Department.

Mayor Pellegrino stated that there are also several Indian Head Park police officers present at the meeting this evening which also makes the Village Board proud that they are part of the administrative team to keep the community safe on a daily basis.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- , *Approval of Resolution to Determine the Estimated Amount of the Levy for the Village of Indian Head Park for 2005 (Resolution #R11-06-1)*
- , *Approval of Resolution and Sales Contract for Vacant Lot in Pleasantdale Subdivision (Resolution #R11-06-2)*
- , *Approval of Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Roadways - Indian Head Park (Resolution #R11-06-3)*
- , *Illinois Humanities Council Proclamation Presented to Trustee Anne Bermier for the Studs Terkel Humanities Service Award*
- , *Reappointment of Richard Crain as the Village's Environmental Advisor for the term ending November 13, 2007*

Trustee Andrews moved, seconded by Trustee Coleman to approve the consent agenda items as presented for Board approval. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (6/0/0).

Aye: Andrews, Anselmo, Bermier, Coleman, Schnauffer, Walsh

Nay: None

Absent: None

V. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

***N* Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting - October 12, 2006**

Trustee Andrews moved, seconded by Trustee Coleman, to approve the October 12, 2006, Board meeting minutes, as amended. Carried by unanimous voice vote (6/0/0).

VI. QUESTIONS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM INDIAN HEAD PARK RESIDENTS/PROPERTY OWNERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Pellegrino announced that the final vote result totals are in from the November 7th election regarding the Village of Indian Head Park sales tax question. He noted that 1,107 voters voted yes to the sales tax ballot question and 487 voters voted no. He noted that the tabulation of the voting results throughout all of Cook County was disgraceful and there is no reason why days are needed to wait to receive election results. Mayor Pellegrino stated that 60 million dollars of Cook County taxpayer dollars were spent on the new voting equipment with not much improvement since the first equipment was tested. Mayor Pellegrino stated that there was a 57% voter turn-out in Indian Head Park in the November election.

Trustee Bermier thanked the Public Works Department staff, Administration Office staff, Police Department staff, Board Members and everyone else who assisted with the Village sponsored Halloween party.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Coleman moved, seconded by Trustee Walsh, to adjourn the regular Board meeting at 7:45 p.m. Carried by unanimous voice vote (6/0/0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph V. Consolo, Village Clerk

Kathy Leach, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary