

Village of Chenequa

CHENEQUA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2007
Unofficial until approved by the Village Board
Approved as written (X) or with corrections () on 10/08/2007

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Chenequa was held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2007, at the Village Hall, 31275 W. Hwy K, Chenequa. Legal requirements for notification of the news media were met. Following is the attendance list:

Mr. Styza / President – present
Ms. Wilkey / Trustee – present
Ms. Seidel / Trustee – present
Mr. Gehl / Trustee – present
Mr. Foote / Trustee – present
Ms. Villavicencio / Trustee – present
Dr. Tyre / Trustee – present
Attorney David Krutz / Village Attorney – present
Mr. Douglas / Administrator -Police Chief – present
Ms. Zimdars / Clerk-Treasurer – present

Attendance

Matthew Colby, LCR Reporter; Paul Villavicencio; Tom & Gabi Eschweiler; Michael Sieger; Elisabeth R. Surey; Jeff Kante

Recognition by the State of Wisconsin DNR of exemplary tree farming by the Eschweillers.

Forester Kante introduced Forester Sieger who is with the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Forester Sieger explained the tree farm program to the Village Board. He also said the purpose of the award was to recognize and honor landowners doing a good job of tree farming. He said it was an honor to recognize the Eschweillers who were doing such good tree management. He went on to say that Ashbourne Ltd. was nominated and selected as not only Waukesha County's tree farmer of the year, but as the entire Southeast Region's tree farmer of the year as well.

Public comment period.

Paul Villavicencio spoke to the Board asking them to give no further consideration to the proposal to put a halt to truck traffic on Hwy C.

Approve minutes of August 13, 2007 Board Meeting.

Motion (Wilkey, Seidel) to approve the minutes of the August 13th Village Board Meeting, *Carried Unanimously.*

Clerk/Treasurer

Present invoices for approval

Motion (Villavicencio, Wilkey) to approve August bills, *Carried Unanimously.*

Report on investment activity

Investment activity was reviewed and no action was required.

Preliminary – Review and consider plans submitted by Steve Girard for an addition to his residence located at 4800 Pine Crest Drive.

Preliminary – Review and consider plans submitted by Terry Barton for a horse barn to be constructed on her property located at 6379 N. Oakland Hills Road.

Preliminary – Review and consider plans submitted by Elizabeth Quadracci for a tennis court on her property located at 6067 N Hwy 83.

Preliminary – Review and consider plans submitted by R.C. & Mary Schmidt for an addition to the north side of an existing sunroom at their property located at 5611 N. Highway 83.

Review and consider Certified Survey Map submitted by Christie Hentges/The Tribute Companies for a part of the northwest ¼ and the southwest ¼ of section 20, township 08 north, range 18 east, Town of Merton, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, per Village Code 6.18 extraterritorial jurisdiction.

President Styza explained that each of the above four preliminary proposals and CSM had been approved by the Plan Commission earlier in the evening.

Motion (Foote, Wilkey) to give preliminary approval to each of the above submitted plans as well as the CSM submitted by Christie Hentges/ The Tribute Companies, Carried Unanimously.

Discussion and consider purchase of new snow plow vehicle.

Administrator/Police Chief Douglas told board members that this was being brought to the Board because the 1996 one ton dump truck previously used for plowing snow was in a state of disrepair and sent to auction earlier in the year. A sum of \$15,000 had been received at auction for the truck. He said the truck needed to be replaced before this year's snow season; and rather than go through the budget process he was asking the Board to give their approval to use the \$15,000 made at auction, along with \$14,700 in contingency funds to put toward a new truck which would run \$60,000 to \$65,000. He told Board members that currently revenues are exceeding expenditures by approximately \$30,000, so the difference could be covered in the 2007 budget. He also stated the Village had \$300,000 in reserves. Trustee Foote asked what type of truck would be purchased, and Administrator/Police Chief Douglas told him the vehicle that was being looked at had more torch and power to move snow, yet it could still be equipped with a ten foot box for sand. President Styza asked how many plows the Village had now, and Administrator/Police Chief Douglas said there were four. Trustee Seidel asked if there were more vehicles than drivers, and asked if another vehicle was really needed.

Administrator/Police Chief Douglas said there were more drivers than vehicles and said he was looking for some direction from the Board as to how to proceed, keeping in mind that it often snows in December, so the traditional budget cycle would not be able to be followed in order to be ready for the current snow season.

Motion (Foote, Seidel) for Administrator/Police Chief Douglas to present the Board a purchase proposal at the October meeting of the Village Board for a new snow plow vehicle, Carried Unanimously.

Committee Reports

Public Safety – Date for next meeting not yet set.

Operations – Has not met.

Plan Commission – Met earlier this evening.

Open Space – Has not met.

Board of Appeals – Has not met.

Personnel Committee – Administrator Douglas said the committee will be meeting this Friday morning and again within two weeks.

Hwy 83 Task Force – Trustee Villavicencio said the task force met August 30th, and the meeting was well attended. She then listed the discussion items, and other points such as the Village's section of Hwy 83 being classified as *rural*. She said the DOT will get back with answers to the questions brought up at that meeting at their next meeting which is scheduled for September 25th. Trustee Seidel then pointed out that the DOT plans had gone from the removal of 400 trees, to the removal of 100, but the amount of guardrail went from 1000 feet to 9000 feet. President Styza said in the past there was a bypass proposed, and asked if this was something that should be looked at again. The consensus of the Village Board was to make this recommendation to the DOT.

Emergency Government Committee – Did not meet.

Lake Management Ad-Hoc Committee – Did not meet.

Discussion and consider action regarding ban on phosphorus fertilizers.

President Styza asked Board members if they wanted to place a ban on phosphorus fertilizers and the consensus was that they did. He then asked Attorney Krutz for a model ordinance to be presented at the next meeting of the Village Board. Trustee Tyre said he was curious to find out

how violations would be measured and the enforcement methods which would be used. Trustee Wilkey questioned if the ban would be in effect just around the lakes or for the entire village. Trustee Gehl said the ban placed in Oconomowoc included the entire area. He also said that sufficient amounts of phosphorus occur naturally in the soil in Southeastern Wisconsin. Next Paul Villavicencio asked what the foamy substance was that recently was appearing on Pine Lake. Trustee Gehl told him that it is the result of the breakdown of blue/green algae. Mr. Villavicencio then asked if it were toxic, to which Trustee Gehl replied that it was more toxic than clear water. Trustees Seidel and Foote said they remember seeing this foam in previous years.

Report of Village Administrator.

Administrator/Police Chief Douglas told Village Board members that the Hoppes had submitted landscape plans, although they were submitted late. He said the plans were acceptable to the village and there were no erosion problems at the site during the recent period of heavy rain. He said few modifications were made to the submitted plans by Forester Kante and wild sumac and spruce trees would be planted. The landscape plans are to be completed within a 30 day time frame. These plans were approved by Inspector Tising, Forester Kante, and Administrator Douglas.

Next Administrator/Police Chief Douglas reported to Village Board members that he had received a formal resignation from Police Officer Ramstack earlier that day, saying he would be moving on to employment in the private sector.

He then reported that Captain Reid has been accepted into the FBI Academy and will begin his training in January. The cost to the village is limited.

Next he reported that the *Capital Costs Tax for Non- Library Communities – Act 150*, had been voted down by 3 votes, and did not pass.

The preliminary budget will be presented at the October board meeting, but there has been no indication from the State as to the amount of the levy limit for 2008 budgets.

Report of Village President.

No report.

Report of Village Attorney.

Discussion of Hwy C Truck Traffic.

Attorney Krutz reported that data had started to be gathered, but this data would need to be looked at by a professional consultant in order to interpret the data and also report to the Village as to what type of jurisdiction we have. Trustee Seidel said that Supervisor Ted Rolfs approached her and said that eliminating truck traffic on Hwy C was something that could be easily done. She said residents on Hwy C do not want the traffic, and she was sorry that Supervisor Rolf could not be present at tonight's meeting. She said they would be interested in banning heavy trucks, and anything over 6,000 pounds would not be allowed on Hwy C or Hwy K. Trustee Tyre said he hears that a single person is saying we have a capacity to do this, but he didn't see a problem. He said he hasn't heard that Hwy K, Hwy 83, or Hwy 16 is being impacted by truck traffic. He said he thought this sounded like a whim, and there was no diligence to explain the problem. Trustee Seidel said that when the Village Square was in the planning stages, our Supervisor for Waukesha County brought this up, and although there is no problem yet, with all the construction going on all around the Village, it could become a problem. Trustee Foote said he uses Hwy C to get to Hwy 16 and said there are very few businesses that would use Hwy C as their main route. He went on to say occasionally up and down Hwy C there were 18 wheelers, but not a big flow. He said it is very seldom a truck is seen on Hwy C, and that he agrees in principal with Trustee Tyre, that there is not a problem. He went on to say he proposed to abandon this issue. There was no consensus to move forward.

Agenda items to be considered for future meetings of the Village Board.

Trustee Wilke said she would like to have the Village Board consider changing the name of the stretch of Hwy 83 as it goes through the village.

Trustee Seidel asked when "no wake" comes into effect. President Styza told her it means 3 or 4 miles per hour. Administrator/Police Chief Douglas said there was voluntary compliance.


Trustee Tyre said that North Lake is looking at this issue, and because the size of boats was increasing, the shoreline was being torn up. Trustee Foote then asked if there was a curfew on

water skiing, saying there should be no water skiing before 9am, but we had no ordinance. Administrator/Police Chief Douglas said the ordinance says sunrise to sunset. Trustee Tyre said North Lake's hours for water skiing are for 9am until sundown, and it is policed locally.

Adjournment.

Motion (Foote, Villavicencio) to adjourn the September meeting of the Village Board at 8:18 p.m.,
Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:


Bonita Zimdars
Clerk/Treasurer

Approved and Ordered Posted by:


Bryce Styza
Chenequa Village President