

**Village of Hinsdale  
Administration and Community Affairs Committee  
Minutes of the Meeting On  
June 7, 2010**

Chairman Geoga called the meeting of the Administration and Community Affairs Committee to order in the Board Room of the Memorial Building on June 7, 2010 at 7:32 P.M.

**Members Present:** Chairman Doug Geoga, Trustee Bob Saigh, and Trustee Cindy Williams, Trustee Bob Schultz

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Darrell Langlois, Assistant Village Manager; Gina Hassett, Director of Parks and Recreation; Tim Scott, Community Development Strategist

It was the consensus of the Committee to deviate from the published agenda in order to accommodate various members of the public who were there to discuss two specific non-routine agenda items

**Presentation by Design Perspectives regarding the Village's OSLAD Grant Application**

Ms. Hassett gave an overview of this item in which it was noted that this is the second of two public meetings required as part of the Village's OSLAD Grant application. Trustee Geoga noted that the total project cost for the grant is \$300,000, of which the 50% local share will be funded using a grant of \$150,000 already secured from Lyons Township, and that the remainder of the project would be funded by the potential OSLAD Grant.

Todd Stanton from Design Perspectives gave an overview of their concept design for the project. Survey data from Village residents and feedback from public meetings was used to assist in coming up with the plan design. Items included in the design include a nature playground, rehab of the southern shelter, a multi-use walking path, five fitness stations, an eighteen hole disc golf course, site furniture, and grading and drainage improvements.

Trustee Geoga questioned as to whether this plan had the support of the Park and Recreation Commission. Jeff Curran, chairman of the Park and Recreation Commission, indicated that originally they looked at plans with a larger scope but they supported the plan being submitted. Mr. Stanton indicated that there would be very little impact to the existing trees on site with this proposed plan. Ms. Hassett also indicated the plan had the full support of Village staff.

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Trustee Schultz inquired as to the maximum amount the Village could apply for, which it was indicated that the maximum OSLAD project size was \$800,000 of which grant funds would be 50% or \$400,000. Trustee Schultz questioned whether the Village could include other funds, such as the Glorious Gardens donation or platform tennis revenues, to increase the size of the grant application. It was noted that there is a strict timing deadline and the grant application needs to be finalized by the end of June. Trustee Schultz also mentioned the need to improve the existing fields at the site, of which Ms. Hassett agreed that there are many improvements needed at KLM but the OSLAD application was designed to increase the chances of the grant award, and certain types of projects receive priority for OSLAD funding.

Trustee Saigh expressed concern about additional hardscape at KLM as a result of the paved walking path and also questioned the need for the nature playground. Mr. Stanton noted that the paving proposed would complete a pathway that is already 75% paved. Trustee Saigh noted again that paving takes away from the nature part of KLM. Ms. Hassett questioned whether we could substitute the path paving for improving the North Shelter. Jeff Curran noted that paving of pathways was a popular item in a prior improvement in Brook Park.

In order to move this item forward to the Village Board, Trustee Schultz suggested that staff poll the Board members as to whether or not the design should include the additional pathway paving.

**Consideration of a request from Hinsdale Platform Tennis Association (HPTA) to build 2 additional courts**

Trustee Geoga gave an overview of this item and noted that there are eventually a number of items that need to be addressed in the future regarding this issue but that the request tonight is for authorization for the HPTA to begin fundraising activities for the addition of two additional courts.

Bruce Baloochy, a resident of Burr Ridge who lives near the existing platform tennis courts, noted that he was representing a number of Burr Ridge residents and that they are opposed to additional courts due to water displacement issues as well as additional lights and noise from the proposed courts. Trustee Schultz noted that the new courts are elevated and built on pylons and in his opinion would not add to drainage problems. Trustee Schultz asked Mr. Baloochy that of the three designs being considered by HPTA, which one would he prefer? In his opinion the best for

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the neighbors would be the West Design. Trustee Geoga noted that HPTA would reach out to the Burr Ridge residents as this project progresses.

Kathleen Mulligan for HTPA spoke in favor of the proposal and the growing popularity of the sport. A number of other HTPA members also spoke in favor the proposal and that they would be flexible as possible in order to have the two additional courts.

In order to move this item along on a timely basis and to have a forum to hear public comments, Trustee Schultz recommended forwarding this item to the Plan Commission for their consideration, which was endorsed by Trustee Williams. After some discussion Trustee Schultz moved to recommend referring this item to the Plan Commission, seconded by Trustee Williams. Trustee Geoga noted that this is not referable in its present form, that there needs to be a formal plan prepared for the Plan Commission, and a drainage plan needs to be a big piece of the plan. Trustee Geoga suggested that the Village be the applicant as the proponent of this request.

After some additional discussion, moved by Trustee Schultz, seconded by Trustee Williams, that Village staff work with HPTA to develop a joint application, suitable for referral to the Plan Commission, regarding the construction of two additional platform tennis courts at KLM, such work to address relevant issues including court location, regulatory issues, drainage and operations, with such work to include consultation with the Village of Burr Ridge and potentially impacted neighbors. Resolved Further, to recommend to the Board of Trustees that HPTA be authorized to solicit donations and lifetime memberships (in the amount of \$1,500 for Residents and \$2,000 for Non-residents) to fund 100% of the cost of the additional two courts, subject to final approval by the Board of Trustees. Motion passed unanimously. It was also noted that this ultimate Plan Commission referral will go directly to the Village Board and not be discussed again by the ACA Committee in order to speed up the process.

**Approval of Minutes – May 3, 2010**

Chairman Geoga stated that the minutes from the May 3, 2010 ACA meeting were being presented for approval and asked the Committee if there were any questions or comments. Trustee Williams moved to approve the minutes, Trustee Schultz seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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**Monthly Reports**

**Treasurer's Report – April 2010**

Mr. Langlois presented information from the April 2010 Treasurer's report and noted that sales tax revenue continues to improve and although end of year receipts were below the prior year, actual receipts were \$126,890 or 5.6% above budget. End of the year sales tax revenue is \$2,376,889 which is 8% below the prior year but 5.6% or \$126,889 over budget. Income tax receipts continue to show weakness but will be \$40,000 over budget. The State of Illinois continues to be four months behind and this Village is presently owed over \$495,000. Food and beverage tax revenue is tracking above the prior year amount and above budget due to increased compliance from the payers. Utility tax revenue continues to trend downward. Permit fees are below the budget projection, partially due to delayed timing of permit revenue from Hinsdale Hospital.

On the expense side, the major budget variances are due to the Village Board accelerating a number of capital projects forward to FY 2010. In the Water Fund, Mr. Langlois noted receipt of a letter from IDOT regarding a 2007 agreement whereby the Village agreed to fund water main improvements along Ogden Avenue in conjunction with a State resurfacing project. The amount the Village owes is approximately \$325,000. Trustee Geoga noted that it has taken the State three years now to issue a bill for this item, and this increases the amount of the deficit in the Water Fund. This item has not been budgeted for in the current or prior two budget years as the Village Engineer and Assistant Village Manager/Finance Director are new to the Village and were not aware of this obligation. This item will increase the amount of the deficit in the Water Fund, and presently staff is working with the auditors to determine which fiscal year this obligation will be reported.

**Park and Recreation Activity Report**

Ms. Hassett noted a number of flooding events in the parks and that alternatives are being pursued. The Burns Park basketball court improvements have been completed. Staff has been working with HPTA on the paddle court addition. There was Commission discussion regarding flooding and drainage issues and possible solutions related to the Zook house. The pool has opened recently with some reductions in weekend hours but there have been only limited complaints. Trustee Schultz questioned the parking of an ice cream truck near soccer fields causing a traffic hazards; Ms. Hassett noted she would inform the Police Department. Laurel Harlow, 112 North Lincoln, asked for further clarification as to the use of the Lyons Township grant for KLM and the relationship with the OSLAD grant application.

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Ms. Hassett indicated that the \$150,000 would mostly be used to fund the shelter improvements and if successful with OSLAD funding those funds would be used for the other park improvements.

**Community Development Strategist Report**

Mr. Scott noted that the EDC Committee is currently working on a budget for use of the \$120,000 in food and beverage tax revenue allocated to them, which is expected to be ready for ACA consideration at the next meeting. The EDC is working with the Chamber on the gift card program, approximately 40 retailers have participated. Mr. Scott is working on outreach efforts to prospective retailers and has met with Inland Real Estate regarding the Gateway Square property.

**Approval of a Purchase Order to the Du Page Mayors & Managers Conference in the amount of \$16,588.79 for the Village's Annual dues and Proportionate Share of Debt Assessment**

Trustee Williams moved Approval of a Purchase Order to the Du Page Mayors & Managers Conference in the amount of \$16,588.79 for the Village's Annual dues and Proportionate Share of Debt Assessment, seconded by Trustee Schultz. The motion passed unanimously

**Approval of the FY 2009-2010 Appropriation Transfer Ordinance**

Mr. Langlois provided an overview of this item indicating this is an ordinance that is done annually to reallocate budgeted funds between line items in the budget for those line items that have exceeded the original budget. Mr. Langlois noted that every department is under budget in total, this action only impacts individual line items within departments. Trustee Geoga indicated he had had discussion with Mr. Langlois on a number of transfers and was satisfied with the explanation. Trustee Schultz moved approval, seconded by Trustee Williams. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of a FY 2009-2010 Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance**

Mr. Langlois indicated that this is required to cover a spending variance in the Motor Fuel Tax Fund and since there are not other programs in this Fund an increase in the annual appropriation is required. Trustee Geoga provided

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additional background on this item. Trustee Schultz moved approval, seconded by Trustee Williams. The motion passed unanimously.

**Confirmation of the Tuesday July 6, 2010 meeting date.**

The next scheduled Committee is for July 6, 2010. Direction was give to reschedule the next meeting to July 12 or before the Board meeting on July 13.

**Adjournment**

As there was no further business to come before the Committee, Trustee Saigh motioned to adjourn. Trustee Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Darrell Langlois  
Assistant Village Manager/Director of Finance