

MINUTES OF THE JOINT WORKSHOP MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
& THE WHEELING PLAN COMMISSION
PUBLIC WORKS LUNCHROOM
77 WEST HINTZ ROAD, WHEELING, IL
MONDAY, MAY 22, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call - Clerk Simpson called the roll and the following Board members were present:

Village Board: Pat Horcher, Ken Brady, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel
Plan Commission: Steve Powers, Jeff Creech, Pam Dorband, Don Johnson and Jim Ruffatto.

4. Changes to the Agenda - None

5. Citizen Concerns and Comments

Terry Steilen noted that the Wheeling historical book is now available for purchase.

Deborah Wilson requested to show a personal video. Village Attorney James Ferolo stated it was not relevant to village business and clarified that the Board has no control over how the police department is run or hiring/firing of officers.

6. Staff Reports

7. New Business

DISCUSSION: A. General Discussion between the Wheeling Village Board and the Wheeling Plan Commission

Village Manager Jon Sfondilis explained that the Village and Plan Commission are meeting to discuss some of the bigger projects in town.

DISCUSSION RE: Neighborhood Identification Signage Program

Community Development Director Andrew Jennings provided an update on this project and answered questions from the Board & Commissioners related to location, maintenance and lighting.

President Horcher asked for a Consensus to pursue the concept discussed.

Yes: Pat Horcher, Ken Brady, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel

Final Resolution: concept Approved.

DISCUSSION RE: Fox Point

Community Development Director Andrew Jennings gave an update on this project and spoke about the demolition of remaining trailers and that the property will remain Open Space once complete.

DISCUSSION RE: Solex Property

Village Manager Jon Sfondilis spoke about the fountain location and proposed developers concerns related to same; the Board discussed whether or not developers interested in moving or removing the fountain should be reviewed.

President Horcher asked for a Consensus on entertaining proposals from developers wanting to remove the fountain.

Trustees Brady, Papantos, Vogel and Krueger want the fountain to stay.

Trustees Lang and Vito would be willing to review proposals.

President Horcher stated he would be open to removing some of the trees and landscaping so you can see through it, but that the fountain should stay.

DISCUSSION RE: Updating Portions of the Comprehensive Plan

Community Development Director Andrew Jennings spoke about the (train) station area of the Comprehensive Plan and stated that they are hoping to proceed with Request for Proposals to update that area. Director Jennings explained why using a consultant is the best approach.

President Horcher asked for Board direction to move forward with drafting an RFP (Requests for Proposal).

Yes: Pat Horcher, Ken Brady, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel
Final Resolution: Board direction approved.

8. Official Communications

Plan Commissioner Jim Ruffatto spoke about train station traffic and the possibility of having a coffee/donut cart at the Wheeling station. Manager Sfondilis said it has already been attempted, failed.

Trustee Papantos asked if there were statistics on the number of people riding the train from Wheeling and adding weekend service. Director Jennings stated he's requested ridership information from Metra in the past. Manager Sfondilis stated that there are conflicts with freight trains and weekend services

9. Executive Session

President Horcher asked for a motion for the Village Board to recess into Executive Session to discuss the setting of a price for the sale or lease of property owned by the Village, pending, probable or imminent litigation and collective negotiating matters.

Motion by Mary Krueger, second by Mary Papantos.

Yes: Pat Horcher, Ken Brady, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel
Final Resolution: Motion Approved, the Board recessed at 7:49 p.m.

Motion by Mary Krueger and seconded by Mary Papantos that the Regular Meeting reconvene.

The motion carried by voice vote. The meeting reconvened at 10:16 p.m.

10. Adjournment

Motion by Mary Krueger, second by Joe Vito that the meeting adjourn.

Yes: Pat Horcher, Ken Brady, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel
Final Resolution: Motion Approved, the meeting adjourned at 10:17 p.m.

Elaine E. Simpson, Village Clerk

Approved this 17th day of July, 2017 by the President and Board of Trustees