FINANCE AND PUBLIC RELATIONS & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, March 27, 2018
7:00 p.m.
Maple Park Civic Center
302 Willow Street, Maple Park, IL

1. CALL TO ORDER / ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Chairman Luke Goucher called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Village Clerk Liz Peerboom called the roll call and the following Committee members were present: Trustee Luke Goucher, Trustee Bart Shaver, and Trustee Kristine Dalton. Absent: Trustee Chris Higgins.

Others present: Trustee JP Dries, Trustee Brandon Harris, Village President Kathy Curtis, Village Accountant Cheryl Aldridge, Police Chief Dean Stiegemeier, Public Works Director Mike Miller and Village Clerk Liz Peerboom.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Any resident wishing to address the Board may do so according to the Rules of Public Comment and should register with the Village Clerk prior to the meeting.

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

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Trustee Dalton made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 27, 2018, seconded by Trustee Shaver. Motion carried by voice vote.

4. DISCUSSION OF FY19 BUDGET

Village Accountant Cheryl Aldridge discussed the following:

The committee discussed the revenue department by department.

The committee then discussed Trustee and President Pay. Trustee Goucher made a motion to lower Trustee and President pay, seconded by Trustee Shaver. Motion carried by roll call vote. Aye: Goucher, Shaver. Nay: Dalton. Absent: Higgins. (2-1-1) The Village Clerk will have an ordinance on the next Board agenda for approval.
They then discussed employee raises and bonuses. Employee pay – Josh $500 bonus; Dean $500. Trustee Dalton suggested 2% for employees and 3% for police officers, with new officers starting at a lower rate. Trustee Goucher would like to give Director of Public Works Miller some consideration in his last year. He proposed $1,500 as a bonus and a pay raise of 2%. Cathy Mathews 2% raise. Ms. Aldridge advised that she would layer in these changes and have them for the Board before the next Board meeting.

Ms. Aldridge advised that the estimated general fund balance will be lower than she typically likes it to be. She suggested suspending Consensus was that the suspension could be done through the appropriations ordinance and a separate ordinance or vote was not necessary.

The committee discussed adding a garbage admin fee. After some discussion, Trustee Goucher made a motion to implement a garbage admin fee to total $15,000, seconded by Trustee Shaver. Aye: Goucher, Shaver. Nay: Dalton. Absent: Higgins. (2-1-1)

The committee then discussed the sales tax increase that was approved through the ballot questions. Clerk Peerboom advised that once she gets the certification of ballots from the counties, she would need to send those along with the approved ordinance to the IL Department of Revenue by May 1, 2018. Clerk Peerboom will find out about notices to business owners.

Trustee Goucher went over the proposed changes to the budget, and asked for additions or deletions to the changes.

The committee briefly discussed road and bridge projects.

5. DISCUSSION OF OTHER ITEMS

Clerk Peerboom apologized that the Engineering RFP did not make the agenda. She distributed the submissions that she did receive. Consensus was to interview each firm, then make a decision as to whether the village goes with one of the firms or stay with the village’s current engineering firm.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Shaver made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Dalton. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Liz Peerboom, CMC
Village Clerk