



# Village of Maple Park

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## INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 26, 2016

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 7:00 p.m.

Village Clerk Liz Peerboom called the roll call and the following Committee members were present: Trustee Luke Goucher, Trustee Terry Borg, Trustee Chris Higgins, and Trustee JP Dries.

Others present: Village Engineer Jeremy Lin, Bill McMahon, Progressive Energy, 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

#### • March 22, 2016

Trustee Borg made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from March 22, 2016, seconded by Trustee Dries. Motion carried by voice vote.

### 4. GRANT DISCUSSION

Village Engineer Jeremy Lin summarized the grants that he has been researching. He advised that he has been in contact with Kane County and they would like to do a survey of about 10 residents on Washington, Pearl, State and Center. This survey would start the process for a CDBG grant to alleviate flooding in that area.

Mr. Lin also discussed the possibility of applying for a DCEO grant through the Illinois Department of Commerce, adding that there is a workshop in Springfield that someone from the village should attend. Mr. Lin suggested that the village should look at this grant every year.

Mr. Lin went on to discuss the USDA Water and Wastewater Loan and Grant assistance. He added that one of the programs is a revolving loan fund that has an application

deadline of 5/31/16. He went on to say that the other loan and grant program accepts applications year round and is designated to assist communities with less than 10,000 in population. The village would be eligible for these programs as long as the project is located on the DeKalb County side.

Trustee Higgins asked if the new water tower or the new waste water treatment plant would have the higher priority. Mr. Lin said that there are pros and cons to each. Mr. Lin said that another thing to think about would be would the fees for the new treatment plant be spread over the entire village or just new users.

Trustee Goucher asked if a new subdivision could possibly have their lagoon system. Mr. Lin said that it wouldn't make sense to have two systems. Trustee Borg said that the focus should be on a new water tower. Mr. Lin advised that a new water tower would be less expensive than a new waste water treatment plant, adding that it would be just under \$1 million for a new water tower, but around \$4 million for a new waste water treatment plan.

Trustee Higgins asked if the village would then retire the old water tower. Mr. Lin said that the old water tower would still be used along with the new water tower. Trustee Goucher suggested putting the new water tower on the village owned Memorial Park land in Heritage Hills Phase III.

Trustee Goucher asked the committee to think about possibly sending someone to the workshop in Springfield, adding that he has interest but he would need to check his schedule.

## **5. MAINTENANCE LIST**

Mr. Lin distributed an updated maintenance list with items that need to be done, and also some items that have been completed.

## **6. SEWER RECAPTURE RATE / WATER & SEWER RATES**

The committee discussed current recapture rate, what the sewer connection charge would be if it were not waived, and water and sewer connection charges for other municipalities.

The committee then discussed possible ways to cover the cost of a new waste water treatment plant. Mr. Lin said that \$10,000 water/sewer connection charge is not out of line. The committee also discussed the possibility of raising the gas tax or the sales tax.

After some discussion, it was decided that the Village Clerk will gather the following information for the committee:

- Deadline for a referendum
- Numbers and data for the last referendum
- Tuckpointing figures for the last five years
- Old water connection fee

Mr. Lin advised the committee that his company is filling in for Bob O'Connor while he is out recovering from heart surgery. Mr. Lin added that the contract will be ratified at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting.

## **7. OTHER ITEMS**

Bill McMahon from Progressive Energy was present to discuss the renewal of the agreement between the Village of Maple Park and Progressive Energy for the village electric accounts. Mr. McMahon advised that this is for the electric accounts for the street lights, lift station and any other village accounts, but this is not aggregation for the resident's accounts.

Mr. McMahon advised that the cost of electricity is expected to rise in June of 2016, adding that this is a good time to get an agreement for lower cost electricity. He said that the cost from MC Squared, LLC (MC<sup>2</sup>), would be \$0.0552 per kilowatt for electricity. He believes that ComEd's price may go up to approximately \$0.07 per kilowatt.

Mr. McMahon advised that over the last five years, the Village of Maple Park has saved a total of \$25,000 on their electricity accounts, and recommended that the Village of Maple Park enter into a contract with MC<sup>2</sup> for 34 months at \$0.0552 per kilowatt for electricity.

Trustee Higgins asked about "Green Energy." Mr. McMahon advised that he could get prices on green energy, but he knows that it will be a lot more expensive. He added that this company is somewhat green, but he will bring those prices to the Board of Trustees meeting on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Mr. McMahon said that the village's projected annual usage is 278,757 kilowatts. Trustee Borg asked about the number of kilowatts that the village uses and would like to know if that is more than other municipalities. Mr. McMahon said that he does not think that that amount is out of line.

Trustee Borg said that he was surprised that the village used the same amount of kilowatts for two years in a row. Trustee Borg asked about energy reviews by ComEd. Mr. McMahon explained the program where ComEd sends a company to change out light bulbs to energy efficient bulbs. Mr. McMahon will find out if they can come to the village to do an analysis.

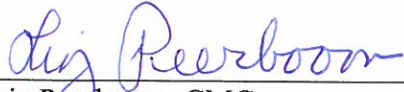
Trustee Borg asked Mr. McMahon how Progressive Energy gets paid. Mr. McMahon advised that they get a fee from whatever company that contracts with the village.

Trustee Borg made a motion to move this item to the Board agenda for May 3, 2016, seconded by Trustee Dries. Motion carried by voice vote.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.



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Liz Peerboom, CMC  
Village Clerk

Committee Members

Trustee Goucher, Chair  
Trustee Borg  
Trustee Dries  
Trustee Higgins