

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF BEECHER, BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
TO BE HELD AT THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CENTER,  
30200 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, BEECHER, ILLINOIS AT 7:00 P.M. ON  
TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2007**

**AGENDA**

- I. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING
- IV. VILLAGE CLERK REPORT
- V. RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

**A. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

- 1. TREASURER'S REPORT
- 2. APPROVAL OF BILLS
- 3. I.M.R.F. ANNUAL REPORT, the Village's state-mandated pension fund for employees, is enclosed for your review and consideration.
- 4. FIRST DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2007/2008 will either be provided as a separate packet with this agenda or provided at the meeting. This is staff's first draft which will be reviewed in a budget workshop on Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**B. PUBLIC SAFETY**

- 1. POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT for the month of February is enclosed for your review.
- 2. SENIOR BREAKFAST is scheduled to be held at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 3. RESULTS OF TORNADO DRILL held on Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> will be reported on by the Chief.
- 4. RESULTS OF 9-1-1 PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING held on March 7<sup>th</sup> in the Will County Board room will be provided by the Chief.

5. CONSIDER A PROPOSALS FOR THE 2007 MOSQUITO ABATEMENT PROGRAM. The Village has received two proposals for mosquito spraying in 2007; one from DRACC who we used last year and the other from Deenik Landscaping. These proposals are enclosed. The Public Works Supt. will explain these two proposals and make a recommendation at the meeting. In any event, plans are afoot to provide this service in house in 2008 as the enclosed memo explains.

#### **C. STREETS AND ALLEYS COMMITTEE**

1. STATUS OF BRUSH PICK-UP PROGRAM. After a meeting with public works staff, it was decided that the most cost-effective way to continue with the brush pick-up program is to purchase a brush chipper and have public works independently pick up the brush. Star would pick up their own yard waste bags and would be required to provide us a rebate on the rates for the brush pick-up program which we would use to purchase the chipper. To save time, a second crew in a mini-dump would collect brush on the east side of Dixie and this material would be chipped at the public works garage after the areas west of Dixie would be picked up. Brush would still be picked up every Monday. The Supt. will answer any questions at the meeting.

#### **D. SEWER AND WATER COMMITTEE**

1. WATER DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT is enclosed for your review.
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3. WATER BILLING REGISTER for the months of January and February are enclosed for your review.
4. REPORT OF THE WATER MASTER PLAN recently completed by Baxter and Woodman will be presented by Derek Wold at the meeting.
5. STATUS OF COUNTRY LANE WATERMAIN PROJECT
6. STATUS OF WELL #5 PROJECT

#### **E. PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PROPERTIES, PARKS AND RECREATION**

1. FIREMEN'S PARK/OSLAD GRANT UPDATE. The Firemen's Park Committee wishes to hold a public information meeting on the status of Firemen's Park and the OSLAD grant at the March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. This public information session should take about 15 minutes.
2. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TREASURER TO SEEK SEALED BIDS FOR A 10 YEAR INSTALLMENT CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$380,000 WITH CLOSING TO

OCCUR BETWEEN MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> AND MAY 30<sup>TH</sup> OF 2007. The Chair of the Committee wishes to proceed with the loan since interest rates are expected to rise and at this time we can borrow funds for about the same amount as we can earn interest on the borrowed funds.

### 3. WELTON STEDT PARK UPDATE

4. PARK INSTALLATIONS AT NANTUCKET COVE AND PRAIRIE PARK. The Committee Chair met with the two developers to discuss the outcomes of the bids and decisions were made as to how to proceed since the bids came in higher than what was budgeted and committed by the developers. Enclosed are summaries of the bid proposals. We are waiting to hear from the developers what their decision will be regarding these bids and once we have a written commitment from them to proceed we will place the bids for award consideration by the Board prior to April 30<sup>th</sup>.

5. CONSIDER BUILDING PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE ANNEX TO USE AS A VILLAGE HALL. At the last meeting architectural prints were provided of the entire complex and JMA Architects were asking for authorization to proceed with detailed plans for the public works garage. This will be the last chance to consider whether the Village wants to build the public works office annex and use this as a Village Hall to allow the police department to expand into the old Village Hall. This will add about \$600,000 to the project for a total project cost of \$1,450,000. This would require the Village to borrow money but would provide adequate office space for another 10 years. Another option would be to just build the public works garage for \$850,000 and examine the option of leasing office space for the Village Hall in the future so that funds would not have to be borrowed. At any rate, staff is recommending that we do not break ground on the public works facility until the Spring of 2008 so that additional cash can be escrowed for the project from tap-in fees.

## **F. PLANNING, BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE**

1. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE CREATION OF A PRAIRIE CROSSINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. This is a unique case where the developer did not assess any fees as we was permitted to since 2003 so the association, if turned over, does not have start-up cash. There is also the concern that the cement troughs in the dry bottom pond could not be cleaned cost-effectively while erosion is still occurring with new homes going up over the next few years. The enclosed resolution was drafted to ease the fears of the residents and provide incentive to create the association. This resolution will be explained further at the meeting. The homeowners will be meeting Thursday night, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Center.

2. CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING THE 34 ACRE SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY ON THE NORTH SIDE OF MILLER STREET AND GRANTING AG-1 ZONING UPON ANNEXATION. This was authorized by the Board at the last meeting and the ordinance is ready for adoption.

3. PLAN COMMISSION will be meeting on Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Center and will hold a public hearing on the rezoning of a lot from residential to commercial on the west side of Dixie at Linden and will also be holding a workshop on two new alternative site plans proposed by MGM for the golf course property.

4. CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND CLERK TO SIGN A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH WESTBURY DEVELOPMENT, LLC FOR THE CREEKSIDE SUBDIVISION. This agreement is enclosed. The Village President met with John Popp and George Arnold from Westbury Development and all of the outstanding issues have been addressed. The HOA will own the 27 acres of open space with the Village having the right to establish an SSA in the event of default. The Village also has the right to set the terms of maintenance and a public access easement is provided for the bike path. Staff recommends approval of the agreement.

5. CONSIDER A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND CLERK TO SIGN A FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR CREEKSIDE UNIT I UPON SIGN OFF BY THE VILLAGE ENGINEER. This is for the portion to be developed on the west side of the creek only. Staff recommends approval.

#### **G. VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT**

1. CENTERPOINT/CRETE ANNEXATION UPDATE. The Village President testified at the public hearing held on this project and will provide an update on this project and the annexation.

The Village President has also toured the Elwood facility and would like to share with the Board his concerns on the what was seen on this tour. Also enclosed is a letter which was sent to Centerpoint and Crete officials which express our concerns on this project.

2. THIRD AIRPORT UPDATE

3. ILLIANA EXPRESSWAY UPDATE

#### **H. NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS**