

**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, APRIL 24, 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. PUBLIC HEARING: CONSIDER A PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2007/2008. A motion is needed to open and close the public hearing. The Administrator will provide the budget message followed by questions and comments from the public at large. \$5,500 requested from Beecher Recreation can be taken from the prior year's budget and can be placed into the bills for the May 15th Board meeting if the Board so chooses. The Village Clerk may also make a request for encumbered funds to re-do the Village's website and this project can also be discussed.
2. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. This resolution is contained under separate cover and provided with your Board packets.
3. CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE OF APPROPRIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. This ordinance is enclosed for your review.
4. VARIANCE REPORTS for the month of March are enclosed for your review and consideration.
5. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 3, SECTION 7 OF THE BEECHER MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO VEHICLE STICKERS EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2007. Now that the sales tax referendum has passed, the Village Board is on record of promising a repeal of the vehicle sticker ordinance. This ordinance would be considered at the May 15th meeting.
6. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A 0.5% SALES TAX ON TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY SOLD

WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF GROCERIES, PRESCRIPTION DRUGS, AND TITLED VEHICLES. This ordinance would have to be certified by the State Dept. Of Revenue by September 1, 2007 for implementation on January 1, 2008. The first payment to the Village would arrive in April, 2008.

B. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

1. UPDATE ON YOUTH AND SENIOR PROGRAMS to be provided by the Chief of Police.
2. UPDATE ON VEHICLE STICKER ENFORCEMENT to be provided by the Chief of Police.
3. CONSIDER A MOTION APPROVING BEECHER REC PARADE ON FRIDAY, APRIL 27TH AT 6:30 P.M. The route is from Zion down Penfield to Firemen's Park. Please see the enclosed letter of request.
4. REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL: HIRING OF NEW FULL-TIME OFFICER. The Chief is in a position to recommend the filling of the open position set by the budget.
5. REPORT OF THE EASTCOM BOARD OF DIRECTORS. This meeting was held last week and a budget increase of 4% was approved which is within our budget limits. The Board also agreed to establish a Capital Improvements Fund for the future and place \$150,000 in reserve cash into this account. This money and future reserves would be used to relocate the communications center in the 10-15 year time frame as we outgrow the current facility. Please see the enclosed current budget and financial report.

C. STREETS AND ALLEYS COMMITTEE

1. STATUS OF 2006 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM to be provided at the meeting.
2. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND CLERK TO SIGN A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2007 DEMO MODEL VERMEER SERIES 1800 BRUSH CHIPPER DIRECT FROM THE MANUFACTURER. The chipper sells for \$39,900 and the five year lease-purchase is \$9,096 per year for a total of \$45,480 over five years which includes \$5,580 in interest payments. Homewood Disposal will decrease our annual payments by \$4,950 effective June 1st when we eliminate the packer truck pick-up of the brush. The chipper will be paid out of the Refuse Fund per budget. The option is to purchase the chipper directly in the current fiscal year for \$39,900 with available funds in debt service and to make five annual payments back to debt service from the Refuse Fund for a cost savings of \$5,580. This would require the Treasurer to cut a check to the vendor prior to April 30th for the full amount. Either option will work and this is up for Board discussion.

3. CONSIDER AN ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH STRAND AND ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,783.89 FOR CONSTRUCTION OBSERVATION ON THE CHESTNUT/DIXIE TRAFFIC SIGNAL, WITH 80% OF SAID FEE BEING REIMBURSED BY THE FEDERAL STP PROGRAM. This contract allows for engineering services from award of bid through completion of the project. It is being approved several months ahead of schedule because IDOT needs to approve the project. Please see the enclosed material.

4. CONSIDER DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY AND WAIVER OF BIDS FOR REPAIRS TO CHURCH ROAD: WEST LEG FROM DUTCH AMERICAN WAY TO THE RAILROAD TRACKS AND EAST LEG FROM DIXIE TO PHEASANT CHASE CIRCLE. These portions of road have taken a beating from the harsh winter and need immediate repair. The Village Board directed staff to provide in the new budget a transfer of \$82,000 from the Water and Sewer Capital Fund to the Public Infrastructure Account to pay for this project with the plan to pay this money back next year from sales taxes or vehicle sticker fees. The east leg will be constructed to last at least 15 years and the west leg to last about 10 years as we discussed. In 2012, the west leg would be fully reconstructed to Class II truck standards from Dixie to Racine for \$3.3 million with \$2 million in federal money and \$1.3 million in local matching funds, but it has not been determined where this local match will come from. The Village hopes to have industrial development in this corridor by that time which will assist in the payment of the local share. At any rate, Church Road will be repaired for many years to come and this will not be a recurring problem.

5. CONSIDER AWARD OF PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE SERVICES: GRINDING, COMPACTING AND LAYING OF ASPHALT ON THE EAST LEG OF CHURCH ROAD FROM DIXIE TO PHEASANT CHASE CIRCLE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,850 TO SUNSET PAVING OF MONEE, ILLINOIS. Please see the enclosed proposal. This item was discussed at length at the budget workshop session.

6. CONSIDER AWARD OF PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE SERVICES: GRINDING, COMPACTING AND LAYING OF ASPHALT ON WEST LEG OF CHURCH ROAD FROM DUTCH AMERICAN WAY TO THE RAILROAD TRACKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,500 TO SUNSET PAVING OF MONEE, ILLINOIS. Please see the enclosed proposal. This item was discussed at length at the budget workshop session.

7. CONSIDER A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BINDER AND FINAL LIFT ASPHALT FROM LINCOLN PAVING OF HAZELCREST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$41,702. The asphalt is being purchased at state bid price direct from the plant to save money as was discussed in the budget session.

8. CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF THE REED STREET STREET SCAPE PROJECT. We have obtained more information from Baxter and Woodman on the details of the scope of this project which IDOT has agreed to fund in the amount of \$385,000. However, the Village must agree to provide \$98,000 as a 20% local math for this \$483,000 project. The project does include screening of the railroad from both Gould and Reed Streets, decorative fencing and lighting, a path through depot park,

and sidewalk improvements. \$30,000 in storm sewer work is also planned. Staff has placed in the budget \$60,000 for design of the project with \$48,000 of this amount being reimbursed by the State in the coming fiscal year only if the Board approves this project and the engineering services agreement.

9. ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION SCHEDULED FOR 3:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MAY 11TH AS REQUIRED BY THE TREE CITY USA AWARD PROGRAM. This event will occur on the grounds of the Beecher High School in honor of the Trim Creek Improvement Project. The exact location of the tree has not yet been determined.

10. CONSIDER A PROPOSAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,450 FOR PAINT STRIPING ALL OF THE ROADS IN THE VILLAGE AND THE FIREMEN'S PARK PARKING LOT FROM PERM-A-SEAL. \$4,800 of this amount is budgeted in MFT for the roads and \$650 comes from the Street Department for the Firemen's parking lot. Staff recommends approval of the proposal.

11. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TREASURER TO CUT A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,704.84 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FIVE NEW STREET LIGHTS ON CARDINAL CREEK BOULEVARD FROM BLUE HERRON TO CHURCH ROAD. Since there is a twelve to sixteen week lag from the time the contract is approved by Comm Ed and when the lights get installed, we need to submit our signed copy of the agreement and the payment for installation as soon as possible so that the lights are up when school opens. This funding will come from the General Fund using some funding set aside in the old fiscal year for the chestnut and Dixie traffic light. Staff recommends approval.

D. SEWER AND WATER COMMITTEE

1. CONSIDER BID AWARD FOR THE INSTALLATION OF WELLHOUSE FOR WELL #5 IN HUNTER'S CHASE EAST SUBDIVISION TO JEFFERY PORTER CONTRACTORS OF CROWN POINT, INDIANA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$576,640. \$525,000 was budgeted for this project. Three bids were received and opened and this was the lowest bid. The Village Engineer is recommending that we award the full amount of the bid, and then authorize change orders which reduce the value of the contract in subsequent motions.

2. CONSIDER CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR WELLHOUSE #5 ELIMINATING THE GENERATOR (\$100,000), THE GAS PIPING OF THE GENERATOR (\$900) AND THE PAD FOR THE GENERATOR (\$3,600) FOR A TOTAL SAVINGS OF \$104,500. This brings the contract down to \$472,140 which provides \$52,860 for the pump estimated at \$50,000 and \$20,000 for contingencies in the original contract which places this project below the \$525,000 budgeted for this fiscal year.

3. CONSIDER A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE LETTING OF BIDS FOR A PUMP FOR WELL #5 USING STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS TO ALLOW FOR FIVE PUMP DESIGNS. This will allow the engineer to spec a pump made by five different manufacturers which will allow for better bids and about a \$50,000 bid price.

4. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EXPANSION OF THE VILLAGE'S FACILITIES PLANNING AREA BY 334 ACRES IN AN AREA BOUNDED BY THE RAILROAD TRACKS TO THE WEST, CORING TO THE SOUTH, THE OLD MILWAUKEE RAILROAD TRACKS TO THE EAST AND INDIANA AVENUE TO THE NORTH. The engineering for this project is complete and was paid for by the three previous developments in this area. However, the FPA expansion was shelved when the developments were not approved in 2005. Since this expansion has been paid for, staff recommends that it be filed. The NIPC and IEPA application fee for this request will be \$3,674.

5. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE FACILITIES PLANNING AREA BY 2,390 ACRES FROM ASHLAND AVENUE TO THE WEST, OFFNER ROAD TO THE NORTH, SOUTH PARK AVENUE TO THE EAST AND CHURCH ROAD TO THE SOUTH. The Village Engineer has completed the engineering for a 334 acre expansion for the contract amount of \$8,000 and recommends taking this expansion all the way to Offner Road for an additional \$2,000 in engineering fees and a total of \$24,200 in application fees to NIPC and the IEPA. This is one more step in locking in our future boundary at Offner Road to the north as we have discussed. These amounts were placed in the proposed budget.

6. STATUS OF COUNTRY LANE WATERMAIN PROJECT will be provided by the Village Engineer.

E. PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PROPERTIES, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

1. FIREMEN'S PARK/OSLAD GRANT UPDATE

2. WELTON STEDT PARK UPDATE

3. NANTUCKET COVE/PRAIRIE PARK UPDATE

4. TOWNSHIP MEETING ON MONDAY, APRIL 30TH TO DISCUSS BEECHER RECREATION REQUEST AND FUTURE OF PARKS AND RECREATION IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP.

5. SPRING NEWSLETTER is currently being designed and is scheduled to be mailed on Friday, May 18th.

F. PLANNING, BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

1. CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CODE: MEETING PROCEDURES AND DEFINITION OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURES. This ordinance is a housekeeping item when some errors were found in the ordinance after adoption last year. The first change is to not require referral of a petition or application to the Plan Commission from the Village

Board, but instead the Village Board must be made aware of the application or petition and is then required to refer it to the Plan Commission. This is a requirement of state law. If this ordinance is prepared by the Village Attorney in time for the meeting it will be considered. Otherwise, it will be deferred.

The second change defines accessory structures and requires a firm footing and foundation for any structure exceeding 144 square feet in size. It was believed that this was adopted in a building code revision but it was in the old zoning ordinance. The Plan Commission held a public hearing and unanimously approved the revisions. Staff recommends approval of the changes.

2. **CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A NEW SUBDIVISION CODE FOR THE VILLAGE OF BEECHER.** This is the final work product which is the result of over 18 months of work by the subdivision code committee and Baxter and Woodman. The new code contains alternative conservation design as an option for new developments and is one of the first of its kind in Will County. Creekside will be using some of these elements in its design. The new code also updates all materials to meet today's standards and best practices. Examples include continuous rebar in curbs, handicapped sidewalk ramps, C909 pipe for watermain, Mueller New Centurian hydrants or approved equal, and numerous drainage and erosion control measures during construction. Staff recommends approval of the new ordinance with the elimination of Landscape Section of the Code.

3. **PLAN COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 26TH.** Items on the agenda include consideration of MGM's alternative A as an amended PUD, and hearings on the proposed container storage ordinance and a fence variance.

G. VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT

1. **THIRD AIRPORT/DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT UPDATE.** The Village President has submitted the comments shared with him by the Board with the Village President of Peotone which is acting as liaison with the County and the State on negotiations for the creation of an airport authority. When the new Board is seated, the resolutions of support for the airport authority and the development district will be re-introduced to the Board for consideration.

2. **ILLIANA EXPRESSWAY UPDATE.** A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon and a status report will be provided.

3. **CENTERPOINT UPDATE.** The Village President attended a meeting of Crete Township residents and an update will be provided.

4. **PROTOCOL FOR NEXT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING.** Please note that we will meet on the third and fifth Tuesday in May (May 15th and May 29th). At the May 15th meeting, we will begin at 6:30 p.m. with cake and coffee in recognition of the outgoing Trustees. The public is invited to attend. At 7:00 p.m., we will hold the regular Board meeting and go through the committee reports and all old business. The Village President will then present plaques of recognition to the outgoing Trustees. The

outgoing Trustees will then vacate their seats and the new Trustees will take their oaths from the Clerk. The new Board will then be seated and the Village President will make his appointments and any new business will be acted upon. The new board will hold its first full meeting on May 29th.

H. NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS