# PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 20, 2024

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

#### Roll Call

Roll Call was answered by Trustees Creviston, Kelleher, Mignano, Morrow, Pais (via ZOOM), Trustee Vandenbergh and President Sweet McDonnell.

Also present were Mateusz Rutkowski, Gery Herrmann, Chairperson of the Plan Commission, Village Attorney Bryan Winter, Village Treasurer Mo Ashab, Administrator John Lobaito, and Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy.

### Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Rutkowski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Village Board Meeting Minutes from October 16, 2024.

**Motion** by Trustee Morrow and seconded by Trustee Creviston to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of October 16, 2024. On roll call Trustees Creviston, Kelleher, Mignano, Morrow, Pais and Vandenbergh voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

#### **Treasurers Report**

October Treasurer's Report for FYE 2025.

**Motion** by Trustee Mignano and seconded by Trustee Kelleher to approve the October Treasurer's Report for FYE 2025. On roll call Trustees Creviston, Kelleher, Mignano, Morrow, Pais and Vandenbergh voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Village Treasurer Mo Ashab addressed the Board and stated that the Village revenue line items aligned with the revenue line items in the FYE 2025 budget. The Capital Projects Fund report now shows detail through the month end. Mr. Ashab pointed out the more updated specific breakdown of the Parks and Recreation category. The Village is six months into its fiscal year.

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It was noted that the State of Illinois is not behind in its Income Tax distribution payments to the Village. Mr. Ashab explained that a revenue comparison with last year-to-date report cannot be done due to the change this year in the reporting time period. Last year's reporting time period is not the end of the month, but instead it is the day before the Board meeting date.

#### **Action Items**

**8.A.** Ordinance approving the Final Plat of Subdivision for the Rutkowski Subdivision.

**Motion** by Trustee Kelleher and seconded by Trustee Creviston to Pass an Ordinance Approving the Final Plat of Subdivision for the Rutkowski Re-subdivision. On roll call Trustees Creviston, Kelleher, Mignano, Morrow, Pais, and Vandenbergh voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Village Administrator John Lobaito addressed the Board and explained that the petitioner, Mateusz Rutkowski, is requesting a re-subdivision of Lots 4, 5, and 6 of the Alcon Subdivision located on Halcyon Lane into one (1) single lot for the purpose of constructing a single-family home. The Final Plat complies with the Village Code.

Plan Commission Chairperson Gery Herrmann addressed the Board and stated the motion to recommend approval of the Final Plat of Subdivision to the Board of Trustees was unanimously passed by the Plan Commission on October 22, 2024.

There was discussion about the existing private drainage system and cooperation of two homeowners behind the lot on Brookmont Lane. Village Administrator John Lobaito stated he had walked those properties with the engineer and the two property owners on Brookmont Lane. Those residents are aware of the history of the water drainage from the Halcyon property and are responsible for maintaining the private drainage structures on their property. Mr. Lobaito stated that the Board is voting merely on the approval of the final plat of subdivision. The engineering plans must comply with the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission ("LCSMC") regulations.

Village Attorney, Bryan Winter explained that the natural drainage flow of water rule from the property cannot be increased, and the engineering plans must maintain the natural flow. President Sweet McDonnell stated that the Village is a Certified community with LCSMC and Robinson Engineering is authorized to review plans to ensure compliance with LCSMC regulations. She thanked the involved parties for their diligent work and welcomed Mr. Rutkowski to the Village of North Barrington.

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**8.B.** Resolution Estimating the 2024 Tax Levy amount for the Village of North Barrington.

**Motion** by Trustee Vandenbergh and seconded by Trustee Mignano to Adopt a Resolution Estimating the 2024 Tax Levy amount of \$784,189 for the Village of North Barrington. On roll call Trustees Creviston, Kelleher, Mignano, Morrow, Pais, and Vandenbergh voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Village Administrator John Lobaito addressed the Board and explained that Illinois State law requires that the public body adopt a Resolution estimating the tax levy not less than twenty (20) days prior to the Village Board's approval of the Tax Levy Ordinance. The Village Board will consider the Tax Tevy Ordinance at its December 18, 2024, meeting.

Mr. Lobaito explained if the estimated levy is equal to or greater than 105% of the prior year's (2023) tax extension, a Truth in Taxation public hearing is required and notice of the hearing must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Village. It is not recommended that the 2024 tax be increased by 5% or more over the 2023 tax extension.

Mr. Lobaito presented three options to the Village Board to consider for the 2024 tax levy:

- A. Keep the tax extension the same as the 2023 tax year of \$746,931. This will decrease the rate slightly due to the higher 2024 EAV compared to the 2023 EAV if all things remain equal.
- B. Raise the levy to include only the new property growth of \$722,368 which will generate \$1,827 in additional property taxes. This will result in a levy increase to \$748,758.
- C. Raise the levy to include the new property growth of \$722,368 and the 3.4% CPI. This will result in an estimated tax levy of \$784,189 or an increase of \$37,258 more than the 2023 levy extension.

President Sweet McDonnell stated the Village should do its best to maximize available funds for the future Village projects such as the GHO (Grassmere, Haverton, Oaksbury) Project as well as the Village Parks and Recreation Commission 5-year Master Plan implementation. She stated the Village has been conservative with its spending.

### **Unpaid Warrant List**

Approval of the October 2024 Unpaid Warrant List.

President Sweet McDonnell stated to the Board how she was pleased about the renegotiated contract with the Lake County Sheriff's office and the cost savings to the Village.

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**Motion** by Trustee Creviston and seconded by Trustee Kelleher to approve the October 2024 Unpaid Warrant List. On roll call Trustees Creviston, Kelleher, Mignano, Morrow, Pais and Vandenbergh voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

#### **Checks Written Report**

Approval of payments from October 16, 2024, to November 19, 2024.

**Motion** by Trustee Vandenbergh and seconded by Trustee Mignano to approve payments from October 16, 2024, to November 19, 2024. On roll call Trustees Creviston, Kelleher, Mignano, Morrow, Pais and Vandenbergh voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

### Village Administrator's Report

The Village Administrator stated the Board will vote on the SSA19 Special Service Area at the December 18, 2024, meeting.

Mr. Lobaito stated to the Board that the Village holiday party will be held following the December 18, 2024, meeting. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. that evening.

#### **Board of Trustee's Reports**

**Trustee Mignano** - Trustee Mignano had no report.

**Trustee Kelleher** – Trustee Kelleher reported the Parks and Recreation Commission will begin discussions shortly with the Parks and Recreation Commission 5-year plan consultant.

**Trustee Creviston**-Trustee Creviston reported the Village of North Barrington remains a safe community.

**Trustee Morrow** – Trustee Morrow had no report, and thanked Plan Commission Chairperson Gery Herrmann for his report.

**Trustee Pais** – Trustee Pais had no report. Village Administrator Lobaito stated that the GHO project agreements between DECO and Lake County Stormwater Management are progressing.

**Trustee Vandenbergh** – Trustee Vandenbergh reported the Environmental and Health Commission met and established the dates for the Arbor Day/Tree Planting ceremony of April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The resident at 101 Carriage Way was the winner of the 2024 Tree of the Year for its Bur Oak Tree. He also stated the Village will participate in its 25<sup>th</sup> Year as a Tree City USA.

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### Village President's Report

Village President Sweet McDonnell reported she attended the meeting at the Ela Township. She is making herself available to discuss questions on the future GHO (Grassmere, Haverton, Oaksbury) Project. She also thanked Ela Township for their role as the Village's public works.

President Sweet McDonnell stated she attended a Mayors Conference earlier in the evening to learn about Cyber Security.

President Sweet McDonnell also stated the Village of North Barrington Trustees running for re-election in Spring 2025 are uncontested. She thanked them for their service to the community.

### **Closed Session**

There was no closed session.

#### **New Business**

There was no new business.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Trustee Mignano and seconded by Trustee Creviston to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote Trustees Creviston, Kelleher, Mignano, Morrow, País and Vandenbergh voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by

John A. Lobaito, Village Clerk