

MINUTES
Meeting of the Committee of the Whole
June 1, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.
Village Hall of Tinley Park – Council Chambers
16250 S. Oak Park Avenue
Tinley Park, IL 60477

President Pro Tem Brennan called the meeting of the Committee of the Whole on June 1, 2021, to order at 7:05 p.m.

At this time, President Pro Tem Brennan stated this meeting is being conducted pursuant to Governor Pritzker's disaster proclamation and Public Act 101-0640, which amends requirements of the Open Meetings Act due to the COVID-19 pandemic. President Glotz introduced ground rules for effective and clear conduct of Village business.

Deputy Clerk Godette called the roll. Present and responding to roll call were the following:

Members Present: M. Glotz, Village President (Arrived at 7:10 p.m.)
W. Brady, Village Trustee (Arrived at 7:09 p.m.)
W. Brennan, Village Trustee
D. Galante, Village Trustee
D. Mahoney, Village Trustee
M. Mueller, Village Trustee
C. Sullivan, Village Trustee

Members Absent: K. Thirion, Village Clerk

Staff Present: D. Niemeyer, Village Manager
P. Carr, Assistant Village Manager
L. Godette, Deputy Village Clerk
D. Framke, Director of Marketing
M. Walsh, Police Chief
J. Urbanski, Director of Public Works
H. Lipman, Assistant to the Village Manager
P. Connelly, Village Attorney

Others Present: Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau

- Jim Garrett, President/CEO
- Sally Schlesinger, Executive Vice President
- Mary Patchin, Director of Sales
- Kim Kislowksi, Director of Marketing

Aireen Arellano, Environmental Enhancement Commission Chair

Item #2 - CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD ON MAY 18, 2021 – Motion was made by Trustee Mueller, seconded by Trustee Sullivan, to approve the minutes of the special Committee of the Whole meeting held on May 18, 2021. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Brennan, Galante, Mahoney, Mueller, Sullivan. Nays: None. Absent: Brady. President Pro Tem Brennan declared the motion carried.

Item #3 – DISCUSS STATUS OF THE CHICAGO SOUTHLAND CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU (CSCVB) – Donna Franke, Director of Marketing, explained in 1994 the Village entered into an Agreement with the CSCVB, a regional bureau registered as Tinley Park's CVB of record to help promote tourism

in the Chicago southland area. The bureau promotes a region that includes 62 communities roughly from Bedford Park to Beecher and from the Indiana state line to New Lenox. Presently the Village is a contributing member to the CSCVB by paying 95% of 1% of its collected hotel/motel tax. This amounted to \$249,557 in 2019, \$218,548 in 2020, and \$115,510 through mid-May 2021.

A Destination Marketing Organization (DMO), exists to promote a community as an attractive travel destination and to enhance its public image as a dynamic place to visit. Traditional functions of a DMO are to design and implement events, activities, tours, transportation, and program logistics. The Village is very much in need of its own DMO to develop and execute a more concentrated Tinley Park-specific marketing effort to support its tourism businesses and pending plaza. To accomplish this, staff is recommending a departure from the relationship with the CSCVB and a redirection of the funds toward Tinley Park-focused tourism marketing.

As Harmony Square develops, there will be a need for a Tinley Park Visitor Center in Downtown Tinley and information distribution through kiosks, hotels, and high traffic areas in Tinley Park.

As revenue increases, it is hopeful that additional Hotel/Motel funding will be redirected to support building out the Village's hospitality infrastructure with enhancements such as expanded Harmony Square programming, a trolley, and improved pedestrian and bicycle connectivity.

Trustee Mueller feels the Village pays a lot of money and needs to be sure Tinley Park is presented in the best possible light. He and President Pro Tem Brennan like the direction of the proposal from the Marketing Department.

Trustee Sullivan agrees with the recommendation to withdraw from the Agreement. She feels the \$250,000 cannot be justified. Trustee Brady concurred.

Jim Garrett, Sally Schlesinger, Mary Patchin, and Kim Kislowksi from the CSCVB all spoke to the benefits of membership with the CSCVB and the desire to continue the partnership with the Village. It was noted the CSCVB is awaiting potential Recovery Tourism Funding from the Illinois Council of Convention and Visitors Bureaus (ICCVB). The funds are part of the CARES Act Recovery Assistance Grant and will be directed to ICCVB for disbursement. Disbursements and use of the funding are still being determined. Mr. Garrett requested further discussions with the Village and the decision to withdraw from the CSCVB be postponed.

President Glotz stated the Resolution withdrawing from the CSCVB gives the required 90-day notice, as such, the Village may rescind their notice anytime within those 90 days. Patrick Connelly, Village Attorney, confirmed.

President Pro Tem Brennan asked if the Village would be entitled to Recovery Funds as a former contributing member. Ms. Schlesinger explained that funds would not be distributed to members, but used to incentivize planners to book future events.

President Glotz inquired as to the dollar amount used by the CSCVB on prompting Tinley Park and the marketing budget. Ms. Schlesinger replied the overall marketing budget is \$1.5 million with includes trade shows and memberships, etc. Ms. Kislowksi replied \$173,000 was spent overall in FY2020 across all markets.

Trustee Galante asked what percentage of business the CSCVB has provided to the Tinley Park Convention Center (TPCC). Ms. Patchin replied, she cannot provide the percentage at this time, though in FY2020 nine (9) groups were booked. There were several more, however, due to the pandemic they were cancelled. Currently, there are 4 bookings with 2 additional groups going to contact within the next week. There are also future site tours scheduled. Mr. Connelly asked if the Board adopts the Resolution to withdraw, will the future scheduled commitments be cancelled. Mr. Garrett replied, no.

Motion was made by Trustee Mueller, seconded by Trustee Mahoney, to recommend a Resolution approving termination of the agreement between the Village of Tinley Park and Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau, be forwarded to the Village Board. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Brady, Brennan, Galante, Mahoney, Mueller, Sullivan. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Brennan declared the motion carried.

Item #4 – DISCUSS ELECTRICAL AGGREGATION PROGRAM – Hannah Lipman, Assistant to the Village Manager, presented the Electrical Aggregation program. Three (3) years ago, the Village renewed the program with resident pricing that matches the ComEd rate exactly. The program featured 100% renewable energy.

The Village’s current Municipal Aggregation program term expires in October. The ComEd rate of 71.3¢ was recently set for June 2021 to May 2022. The base rate varies by +/- one-half cent, thus the ComEd rate will fluctuate from 6.63 to 7.63¢ over the next year. No bids were offered with rates lower than the ComEd rate.

It was recommended that the Village Board consider renewing the aggregation program, with all residents paying exactly the ComEd rate. In addition:

- Every residential electric account establishes unique usage consumption patterns. Factors such as volume, time of day, single-family vs. multi-family, and volume during ComEd peak periods form a unique consumption profile for each ratepayer.
- Suppliers analyze the variable costs to serve each meter and price each ratepayer’s rate.
- Suppliers then calculate the price for each account and enroll only those for which the cost to serve them is lower than the ComEd rate. The remainder of the accounts (that are costlier to serve) will be returned to ComEd. There is no difference to residents which group they fall into; all residents pay the same ComEd rate. If the green option is chosen, renewable power, through Renewable Energy Credits (REC’s) will be purchased for both groups of residents, those with the supplier and those with ComEd.

The profit margin on the lower cost accounts enables the supplier to provide a combination of a Civic Contribution to the Village and/or Green Energy for all residents, including those served by ComEd.

Our consultant, NIMEC, has received pricing from 2 suppliers that offer this program. The two main considerations were the preferred level of green energy as well as consistency for residents. Two options were presented:

1. Elect Eligo for a 3-year term at 0% green energy to receive a roughly \$346,000 Civic Contribution over three (3) years (If Eligo is selected, up to 5% of participants in the program may be shuffled from Eligo to ComEd, or vice versa, depending on usage each year); or
2. Elect MC2 for a 3-year term, at the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) level green energy, to receive roughly \$180,000 over 3 years.

Regardless of the Board’s direction, the Environmental Enhancement Commission (EEC) and staff asked that the Board consider dedicating the Civic Contribution—or a portion thereof—towards a sustainability project(s). The EEC was very supportive of the Villages 100% green aggregation program, which landed Tinley Park at number six (6) on the EPA’s Green Powered Community Listing. The EEC is understanding that there is potential to move away from the green aggregation program, but sees the benefit of utilizing the Civic Contribution towards a sustainable project instead.

Aireen Arellano, Environmental Enhancement Commission Chair, recommended renewing with MC2. Their service has been consistent and it is green energy, which will allow the Village to remain on the EPA’s list with no additional work.

Trustee Brennan prefers Eligo as the larger Civic Contribution allows for more options. Trustee Mahoney concurs.

Trustee Mueller is happy with MC2. Residents have spoken to him about the green option and feels the lower Civic Contribution is ok to make sure the residents receive that option. Trustees Brady and Galante concur.

Motion was made by Trustee Mueller, seconded by Trustee Galante, to recommend the Electrical Aggregation Program, with MC2 be forwarded to the Village Board. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Brady, Galante, Mueller, Sullivan. Nays: Brennan, Mahoney. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Brennan declared the motion carried.

Item #5 – DISCUSS NO PARKING ON ONE SIDE OF STREET IN THE BREMENTOWNE VILLAS–

Matt Walsh, Police Chief, explained the Tinley Park Traffic Safety Unit has been working with the Fire Department as well as Public Works to address parking concerns in the Brementowne Villas subdivision. Most of the residents can only properly park one vehicle in their driveway as the driveways are narrow and most have one-car garages. Currently, vehicles have been parking on both sides of the street which makes the roadway too narrow for Fire Department and Public Works vehicles to gain access. As a result, all Departments have agreed that Ordinance 91-O-079 be removed and Ordinance 81-O-053 be amended to include the following:

- No parking on the south side of Kingston Road
- No parking on the west side of Oxford Drive
- No parking on the south side of Sussex Road
- No parking on the north side of Winston Drive
- No parking on the south side of Chelsea Road
- No parking on the north side of Crown Lane

All residents have been notified of the changes as well as the Committee of the Whole meeting on June 1, 2021.

President Pro Tem Brennan asked if any members of the Committee had any questions. There were none. Motion was made by Trustee Mueller, seconded by Trustee Brady, to recommend the repealing of Ordinance 91-O-079 and amending Ordinance 81-O-053, be forwarded to the Village Board. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Brady, Brennan, Galante, Mahoney, Mueller, Sullivan. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Brennan declared the motion carried.

Item #6 – CONSIDER FISCAL YEAR 2022 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (PMP) CONTRACT AWARD RECOMMENDATION –

John Urbanski, Director of Public Works, presented the bid from Iroquois Paving Corporation. Six (6) bids were received and publicly read on May 20, 2021. The lowest responsible bidder was Iroquois Paving Corporation in the amount of \$2,287,256.64, which is \$212,743.36 under budget.

President Pro Tem Brennan asked if any members of the Committee had any questions. There were none. Motion was made by Trustee Sullivan, seconded by Trustee Brady, to recommend a contract with Iroquois Paving Corporation for the FY2022 PMP, be forwarded to the Village Board. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Brady, Brennan, Galante, Mahoney, Mueller, Sullivan. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Brennan declared the motion carried.

Item #7 – CONSIDER INFILTRATION/INFLOW CONTROL PROGRAM (IICP) SMOKE TESTING CONTRACT RENEWAL –

Mr. Urbanski presented the renewal contract, in the amount of \$75,321.56, for Sewer Assessment Services. This project consists of smoke testing sanitary sewers in the areas of the Village considered to be high risk for inflow and infiltration of groundwater. Smoke testing helps to identify defects in the sanitary sewers that can allow groundwater to infiltrate the sanitary system.

President Pro Tem Brennan asked if any members of the Committee had any questions. There were none. Motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, seconded by Trustee Brady, to recommend contract renewal with Sewer

Assessment Services, be forwarded to the Village Board. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Brady, Brennan, Galante, Mahoney, Mueller, Sullivan. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Brennan declared the motion carried.

Item #8 – CONSIDER FLEET VEHICLE PURCHASES – Mr. Urbanski presented the Public Works Fleet Vehicle Purchase List which includes various vehicles with a purchase amount exceeding \$20,000 for each vehicle. The approximate contract amount is \$1,850,580, which is \$31,000 under budget.

President Pro Tem Brennan asked if any members of the Committee had any questions. There were none. Motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, seconded by Trustee Brady, to recommend the Public Works Fleet Vehicle Purchase List, be forwarded to the Village Board. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Brady, Brennan, Galante, Mahoney, Mueller, Sullivan. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Brennan declared the motion carried.

Item #9 – CONSIDER SURPLUS VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT LIST – Mr. Urbanski presented the Public Works Fleet Vehicle/Equipment List for Disposal, which includes various items valued at over \$1,000. The Village uses multiple methods to achieve the highest amount of compensation for its surplus vehicles or equipment. Most items will be sold through Public Auctions or salvage and recycling companies.

President Pro Tem Brennan asked if any members of the Committee had any questions. There were none. Motion was made by Trustee Mahoney, seconded by Trustee Brady, to recommend the Public Works Fleet Vehicle/Equipment List for Disposal, be forwarded to the Village Board. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Brady, Brennan, Galante, Mahoney, Mueller, Sullivan. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Brennan declared the motion carried.

Item #10 – RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –

A resident commented on the Brementowne Villa's parking situation.

Motion was made by Trustee Sullivan, seconded by Trustee Mahoney, to adjourn the Committee of the Whole. Vote by roll call. Ayes: Brady, Brennan, Galante, Mahoney, Mueller, Sullivan. Nays: None. Absent: None. President Pro Tem Brennan declared the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

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