

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK – AUGUST 26, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bolingbrook was called to order at the hour of 8:00 p.m., August 26, 2014, in Bolingbrook, Illinois, by Mayor Roger C. Claar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Claar requested new Fire Fighter Joseph Rizzato and his son, Tyler, lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Village Clerk, Carol Penning, called the roll. Present were: Mayor Roger C. Claar, Trustees: Leroy J. Brown, Michael T. Lawler, Ricardo Morales, Patricia E. Schanks and Maria A. Zarate

Absent: Joseph B. Morelli

Also present were: Village Clerk – Carol S. Penning, Village Attorney - James Boan, Public Safety Director - Kevin McCarthy, Finance Director – Rosa Cojulun, Director of Public Services & Development – Lucas Rickelman

Absent: None

Representing the press: Geoff Ziezulewicz - Chicago Tribune

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Motion Brown, second Schanks to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 12, 2014, Village Board meeting submitted by the Village Clerk.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

Motion Morales, second Lawler to approve the agenda as submitted.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS (BOARDS & COMMISSIONS)

None

PROMOTIONS/SWEARING-IN

Fire Department: Joseph Rizzato was sworn-in as a new firefighter.

Director of Public Safety, Kevin McCarthy, and Deputy Fire Chief, Trinidad Garza were present.

PROCLAMATIONS

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

BILL APPROVAL

Motion Morales, second Schanks to approve expenditures submitted as Bill Listing A - Payables in the amount of \$1,448,898.61 and Bill Listing B - Pre-Paid in the amount of \$1,308,005.49 totaling \$2,756,904.10. (Copies were made available in the Finance Dept. and Clerk's Office.)

ROLL CALL: Yea 5 – Brown, Lawler, Schanks, Morales, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 1 - Morelli

Motion carried.

TAX RECEIPTS

1. May 2014 State Income Tax - \$683,572.53 (May 2013 State Income Tax - \$651,343.95) – a 4.95% Increase
2. June 2014 Sales Tax - \$2,602,162.09 (June 2013 Sales Tax - \$2,539,976.09) – a 2.4% Increase
3. June 2014 Motor Fuel Tax - \$160,083.76 (June 2013 Motor Fuel Tax - \$150,194.19) – a 6.6% Increase

Mayor Claar expounded on the Emerald Ash Borer problem in the Village. Many residents had been calling asking when their dead tree/trees will be removed from the parkway. The Village had been removing trees as fast as possible but, with all the rain, the schedule was constantly changing. The dead trees will be removed as soon as possible with major arteries done first followed by bigger trees on secondary and residential streets. To date, over 800 trees have been cut down.

RESOLUTIONS

None

ORDINANCES

PC 14-24

APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR OUTDOOR DINING – CASA MARGARITA – 154 S. WEBER ROAD; CHASE LOTFI, CASA MARGARITA, APPLICANT

Motion Brown, second Schanks to accept Plan Commission Report PC 14-24 for approval of a Special Use Permit for outdoor dining at Casa Margarita restaurant located at 154 S. Weber Road; Chase Lotfi, Casa Margarita, Applicant.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 14-069

APPROVING SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW OUTDOOR DINING – CASA MARGARITA (145 S. WEBER ROAD)

Motion Lawler, second Zarate to pass an ordinance approving a Special Use Permit for a Planned Commercial Development in order to allow outdoor dining at Casa Margarita (145 S. Weber Rd.).

Casa Margarita (f/k/a Cattleman's), located at 145 S. Weber Road, would like to provide outdoor seating. They sought approval of a Special Use Permit to construct a 2,200 sq. ft. dining area along the north wall of the building which would accommodate approximately 20 tables or 80 people. This ordinance approved the Special Use Permit. The Plan Commission reviewed the request and recommended approval.

Al Lotfi, owner of Casa Margarita, stated that the restaurant is doing very well. The outdoor dining area is strictly for eating and will not include entertainment. The outdoor area should be completed by the end of the year and will open next Spring.

ROLL CALL: Yea 5 – Brown, Lawler, Schanks, Morales, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 1 - Morelli

Motion carried.

PC 14-25

APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A CARRY-OUT RESTAURANT WITH EXTENDED HOURS OF OPERATION – DOMINO'S – 158 N. BOLINGBROOK DRIVE; DOMINO'S PIZZA, APPLICANT

Motion Schanks, second Lawler to accept Plan Commission Report PC 14-25 approving a Special Use Permit for a carry-out restaurant with extended hours of operation - Domino's/158 N. Bolingbrook Dr.; Domino's Pizza, Applicant.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 14-070

APPROVING SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A CARRY-OUT RESTAURANT WITH EXTENDED HOURS – DOMINO’S PIZZA (158 N. BOLINGBROOK DRIVE)

Motion Morales, second Zarate to pass an ordinance approving a Special Use Permit for a carry-out restaurant with extended hours for Domino's Pizza (158 N. Bolingbrook Dr.).

Domino’s Pizza, currently located on Schmidt Road, would like to relocate to 158 N. Bolingbrook Drive in the Briar Square Shopping Center. They would like to occupy 1,800 sq. ft. of tenant space next to Fiesta Market. The restaurant has also applied for extended hours of operation to allow them to be open until 10:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and until 1:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. The Plan Commission reviewed the request and recommended approval.

Ray Montez, owner of 13 Dominos' Pizza restaurants, explained that all Domino's have started a re-imaging campaign and he thought the move to a newer and larger location would fit in with the new campaign and benefit the restaurant. He noted that the carry-out portion of the pizza place will close every night at 10:00 p.m. Only the delivery portion of the business will have the late hours.

ROLL CALL: Yea 5 – Brown, Lawler, Schanks, Morales, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 1 - Morelli

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 14-071

APPROVING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE WESTERN WILL COUNTY COMMUNICATION CENTER (WESCOM)

Motion Brown, second Zarate to pass an ordinance approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Western Will County Communication Center (WESCOM).

This ordinance approved an Agreement with WESCOM to consolidate dispatch services. WESCOM is headquartered in Plainfield and currently serves nineteen (19) Public Service Agencies. The consolidation had been investigated by Bolingbrook for over a year and would save the Village approximately \$319,000/year.

The cost savings would result from a workforce reduction of sixteen (16) Telecommunicator positions and two (2) Supervisors. One (1) full-time Support Service Tech and twelve (12) part-time police aides would need to be added to staff the Police Information Desk. The Village held a Public Hearing to discuss the switch over to WESCOM but only six (6) or seven (7) people attending the hearing.

As a result of the merger, the Mayor would have a seat on WESCOM's Governing Board and the Village would have two (2) seats (police and fire) on the Operations Board. Most of the current Village dispatchers have been offered jobs at WESCOM. A new computer aided dispatch (CAD) system should be installed this fall and all Telecommunicators would receive training in advance. The “cut over” date should take place around November 1st. The Public Safety Committee reviewed the agreement and recommended approval.

Stephen Rauter, Executive Director of WESCOM, addressed the Board. He explained that WESCOM had just moved in to a new 17,000 square foot building that can withstand an F-4.5 tornado. It has all new state-of-the-art technology with many back-up systems with the building. He noted that an extensive study was done by Deputy Chief Ross and Deputy Chief Garza to make sure that all the pieces of the puzzle fit together before making a move to WESCOM. There will be an open house for all elected officials and department heads at the facility to see the operations.

Trustee Morales stated that his main concerns with going to WESCOM had always been safety of residents, state-of-the-art technology and a proficient, professional staff. He felt confident that this would be a priority at WESCOM, also.

ROLL CALL: Yea 5 – Brown, Lawler, Schanks, Morales, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 1 - Morelli

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 14-072

TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING TREE REMOVAL PERMIT REQUIREMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

Motion Zarate, second Morales to pass an ordinance temporarily suspending the tree removal permit requirement for residential properties.

The effect of the Emerald Ash Borer has been evident throughout the Village. As many as 20,000 Ash trees are located on private property. Most of these trees will require removal. To streamline the process and avoid inconveniencing residents, the Mayor recommended the temporary 18 month suspension (to expire March 1, 2016) of the required tree removal permit to remove a dead tree located on existing residential property.

ROLL CALL: Yea 5 – Brown, Lawler, Schanks, Morales, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 1 - Morelli

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Zarate gave details on the Humane Haven Animal Shelter Garage Sale being held on Saturday, September 13th, in the Kohl's parking lot from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Trustee Brown gave information about the 16th annual "JoyFest" being held at the Performing Arts Center on Saturday, September 13th, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. JoyFest is a Christian Music Festival.

Trustee Schanks gave details on the St. Dominick and St. Francis of Assisi Unity Event being held on Saturday, August 30th, at the Performing Arts Center from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Trustee Morales gave information about the Bolingbrook Fire Fighters Local 3005 14th Annual Scholarship Fund Golf Outing being held at the Bolingbrook Golf Club on Tuesday, September 9th, beginning at 12 noon.

Trustee Lawler gave details on the last free concert of the summer on Wednesday, August 27th at the Performing Arts Center starting at 7:30 p.m. This Wednesday, "Tony Ocean" will be performing. He also asked people to reserve their calendars to attend the Pathways Parade on Sunday, September 14th, starting at 2:00 p.m. at Bolingbrook High School and ending at Village Hall where there will be a mini-fest held afterward.

Mayor Claar congratulated the Pakistan Community on a successful "Taste of Pakistan" celebrating the 67th Independence Day of Pakistan held last Saturday at the Performing Arts Center. He also thanked the Civic & Cultural Affairs Commission for all their hard work on the Bolingbrook Jubilee which made it a huge success. He then spoke about the Bolingbrook Raiders football game this Friday night hosting Hinsdale Central High School. He felt that the new football season would be a very good one for the Bolingbrook Varsity Raiders.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Brown, second Schanks to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

ATTEST:

Roger C. Claar
MAYOR

Carol S. Penning, CMC
VILLAGE CLERK