

REVISED MINUTES OF TOWER LAKES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Date: November 18, 2002

Location: Village Office

Time: 7:45 pm

1. PLEDGE: President Kuskowski called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Sign in sheet circulated.

ROLL CALL: Present: Village President Kuskowski, Trustees Adams, Aitken, Rigali, Gidley, Cantieri, Parro, and Village Clerk Leitner. Also in attendance: Dorothy Pratt, Deputy Village Clerk and newsletter correspondent.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Trustee Gidley and seconded by Trustee Parro to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2002 with corrections, and followed by a voice vote. Trustee Cantieri and Rigali abstained.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Margaret Patronik re leaf burning-feels the new ordinance needs to be reviewed (see Patronik comments, attached). Ms Patronik feels the ordinance is not specific enough for police to enforce easily. Ms Patronik maintains that the fire must not even be smoldering at 4pm. Tr Rigali suggests a Health and Sanitation Subcommittee meeting to discuss 4pm requirements.

3. CLARKE MOSQUITO PRESENTATION:

- George Balis, Clark Mosquito, wants to renew our contract thru 2005; Cuba Township has renewed with Clark, so has the Village of North Barrington. Village and township programs work well together, and to the benefit of all. Balis spoke on mosquito abatement generally, West Nile Virus, and how Tower Lakes' mosquito control fits with the Cuba Township plan.
- West Nile Virus is a bird born virus, with 120 species carrying the disease. West Nile Virus ebbs and flows in severity, but is always present. A study conducted in France indicates that West Nile Virus runs on a seven year cycle.
- Crows and Blue Jays are the earliest indicators of West Nile Virus in this area. This year, there were 5 human cases in Lake County, which indicates the West Nile presence for next year. West Nile virus affects people of all ages, but is fatal in 15% cases, usually in people over 60.
- Balis presented an aerial map which tracks Clark's trapping of West Nile-carrying mosquitoes. Cuba Township commissioned the map, but Lake County paid for it out of its 2001 remaining budget. All sites found having bred in the last five years are checked 8 times per season. Balis mentioned larval control site 208 as an example: it is inspected 8 times over the season, 4 times specifically at breeding time. In addition, Larvaciding sites are checked twice per season: in June and August. Also, Clark monitors a trap, located at Biltmore Country Club, which is funded by Cuba Township, Lake County Forest Preserve and the State of Illinois.

- County and state funds-including grants- paid for treatments into September after municipal programs were spent.
- Cuba Township's program will run thru 2005. Next year, Cuba Township will expand its inspections. For next year, Lake County approved \$200,000.00 for mosquito control, including the Forest Preserve, which will help the village. The Village of Tower Lakes also had 2001 funds left over for treatment use in 2002.
- Clarke 's proposed program for the village shows an increase in adult treatments each year; to go from 10 to 12 next year.
- Residents should continue to take precautions; even on spray days people should apply mosquito repellent. Next year, Clark's plans to add a connection to their website directly from the Tower Lakes website. Also, they can provide monthly reports reflecting actual residents' calls. Clarke's uses a granular treatment for larvaciding which lasts 25 days. Balis noted that sonic devices do not work , nor do devices that collect mosquitoes: you're actually attracting more mosquitoes to your yard. Larvaciding is still the most effective, followed by adult treatment. Aerial treatment is very expensive. Larvaciding 'donuts' are effective "BTI" 2day lasting. Residents continue to have an option to call for a test of standing water for breeding.

5. PLAN COMMISSION: Pres Kuskowski reported that the Plan Commission continues work on the following issues: 1) tighter zoning regulations for teardowns; 2) permits for home businesses; and 3) redefinition of "outbuildings". They have created teams of two members each to address each issue. Pres Kuskowski told Tr Adams that the driveway restriction request will be deferred.

6. ZBA: No report.

7. BUILDING AND ZONING: Tr Cantieri has a prepared list of permits.

8. TREASURER'S REPORT AND FINANCE REPORT: Acting Treas Gidley distributed the monthly expenditures summary, profit and loss statement, YTD budget expenditures. Bank Statement balances to follow. Acting Treas Gidley pledged to get bills to trustees for their review ten days prior to the monthly meeting. He noted that Miles Chevrolet was paid out of General Funds when a police car ordered from them arrived sooner than anyone anticipated. The General Fund will be reimbursed by the designated grant funds, once they come in. Wine and Serge reported an increase in our worker's compensation and property insurance policies. Property Insurance costs are up 9% industry-wide. The Illinois Municipal Review estimated that state-shared revenues will be down as much as \$6.00 to \$7.00 per capita next year due to an overall revenue stream decline. This means Tower Lakes can anticipate a decline in state-shared revenues of \$7,000.00 to \$9,000.00.

Monthly Bills: *Motion* to approve the bills was made by Trustee Adams and seconded by Trustee Rigali, and followed by a Roll Call vote: **VOTE:** AYES: Trustees Parro, Adams, Gidley, Aitken, Rigali, Cantieri.

Tr Gidley requests the Board subcommittees review selected ordinances re: fees and penalties and report to the finance committee, which will then report to the board. Current fees and penalties have not been updated in decades. The subcommittee reviews are to be accomplished by the next village board meeting.

Tax levy ordinance-reflects the Village's estimated costs for next year. Discussion of the concept of *appropriated* vs. *levied*. The ordinance allows the Village to raise the levy if it needs to do so. The ordinance, almost identical to last year's, calls for an increase of the levied amount between 0-3.9%. Any higher amount would require voter approval. **Motion** to approve the 20002-2003 tax levy ordinance made by Tr Rigali, seconded by Tr Cantieri, and followed by a Roll Call Vote: **VOTE:** AYES: Trustees Parro, Adams, Gidley, Aitken, Rigali, Cantieri.

Working cash fund tax levy ordinance: **Motion** to approve the 2002-2003 Working Cash Fund Tax Levy made by Tr Cantieri, seconded by Tr Adams, and followed by a Roll Call Vote: **VOTE:** AYES: Trustees Parro, Adams, Gidley, Aitken, Rigali, Cantieri.

10. POLICE REPORT:

- **Monthly Activities Report**-Tr Aitken presented the 1070 monthly activities report, on file at the Village office. The Board discussed charging for false 911 alarms.
- Public comments being moved to end of meeting
- **Emergency Disaster Preparedness Plan Ordinance:** ... **Motion** to approve the 2002-2003 Emergency Disaster Preparedness Plan Ordinance made by Tr Aitken, seconded by Tr Adams, and followed by a Roll Call Vote: **VOTE:** AYES: Trustees Gidley, Rigali, Aitken, Cantieri, Parro, Adams.

11. STORM WATER MANAGEMENT: Tr Rigali mentioned two new issues: Messerschmidt's and Hamilton's. Van Ochten matter completed. The Johnson storm water management map is mostly completed.

12. ROADS: Tr Parro reported- vehicle stickers: four nonpayers' names were reported in the newsletter; emergency patching performed over Consumer's Water Company work; missing street sign; and roadside brush pickup completed.

13. HEALTH AND SANITATION: Tr Rigali reported that the year's final SWALCO household waste pick-up is scheduled for Dec 7. The new garbage/recycling schedule is doing well.

14. UTILITIES:

- **Water System** Pres Kuskowski noted the report is in, and the Village's water usage is reportedly back to normal.
- **JULIE Resolution**-Tr Adams reports continued work on this resolution's requirements. As has been reported previously, the Village of Tower Lakes is being required by the State of Illinois to join JULIE. Discussion ensued. Tr Adams will coordinate with Office Manager Debbie Baggett and Consumers

Water for residents to pick up JULIE requests for location of water lines at the village office.

- Discussion of Clarke Mosquito's bid vis-à-vis Rick's competitive bid.

15. URBAN FORESTRY: No report.

16. BACOG REPORT:

- BACOG hosted a Northeastern Illinois Plan Commission ("NIPC") presentation on population forecast planning.
- The Garden Club Of Barrington has prepared a "Keepers of the Land" book, which they have republished for new residents. They will drop some off some for at the Tower Lakes village hall.
- The Red Cross gave an emergency response planning presentation- overview of types of assistance- even down to house fires.
- Good Shepherd wants to put in a new cardiac unit.
- Tr Parro-reported that the BAGIS general planning update will be quicker next year.
- Impact fee presentation next Wednesday.

17. OLD BUSINESS:

See Vignocchi, below.

18. NEW BUSINESS:

- Roberts Rd bike path- Pres Kuskowski has been talking to Lake County's Mountsier and LCDOT to work out a solution. The underlying culvert is deteriorating, which makes it possible to consider a bike path, but a number of issues exist.
- Pres Kuskowski has been notified by Lake County of a development being planned off of Ivanhoe Road by Vignocchi, consisting of 2 acre sites. The plans conform with Lake County requirements.
- Tr Parro attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Grassy Lake walking path on behalf of the Village. Rep. Mountsier wants to connect the walking paths to the Fox River Forest Preserve paths.
- Tr Parro met with the Forest Preserve land acquisition head and discussed the property on the east side of Rte 59, north of Roberts Rd.
- Newsletter payment needs to be addressed with TLIA.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion to adjourn the Board meeting at 8:59 pm made by Tr Parro and seconded by Tr Adams and followed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Leitner
Village Clerk
12-05-02

