

**December 17, 2013
Village of Sugar Grove
Regular Board Meeting
6:00 PM**

President Michels opened the meeting at 6:00 PM and asked that Trustee Paluch lead the Pledge. The roll was then called.

Present: Trustee Paluch, Trustee Johnson, Trustee Bohler, Trustee Herron, Trustee Montalto, and Trustee Geary.

Quorum Established.

Also Present:

Administrator Eichelberger, Chief Rollins, Clerk Galbreath, Public Works Director Speciale, Attorney Andersson, Accountant Milewski, and Attorney Andersson.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Annexation Agreement – 3 Walnut Drive

APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

President Michels called for any public comment and hearing, none this portion of the agenda was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval: Minutes December 3, 2013 Meeting
- b. Approval: Vouchers
- c. Approval: Extra-Territorial Zoning Request

Trustee Johnson **moved to approve the Consent Agenda.** Trustee Paluch seconded the motion. President Michels then called for a roll call vote.

AYE:	Geary	NAY:	None	ABSENT:	None
	Paluch				
	Montalto				
	Herron				
	Johnson				
	Bohler				

Motion Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Discussion: 2013-1217A Amending Title 11 of the Village Code (Signs)

Community Development Director Young explained the cost of the various sign replacement that would be needed to change out certain signs within the Village to bring all signage up to the proposed code. The Board discussed the costs to business and voiced some concern about being

about requiring all signs to be brought up to code as it could be a financial burden on owners and not be viewed as being business friendly. The Board further discussed looking into a grant program to help with costs of updating signage and requested that business be sent a letter explaining the new code. The Board felt that all existing signs should be grandfathered and only required to update if a significant (more than 50%) change was needed.

Discussion: 2013 Citizens Survey Results

The Board discussed the results of the survey and the following items were suggested to be reviewed during the budget discussions:

Have a quarterly newsletter that is mailed separately from the water bill – include accomplishments

Work on bike/pedestrian trail connections

It was also suggested that the Village make better use of the electronic sign for informational purposes. Staff was also asked to ask other agencies to consider sharing in future surveys as the Village does share the information with them and it is beneficial.

NEW BUSINESS

A TIF meeting has been scheduled for January.

REPORTS

Thanks were given to the Public Works crew for their great job in keeping the streets clear. Thanks were also given to Trustee Johnson and to CD Director Young for their help at the Food Pantry.

The Board inquired about having an employee roster.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

Closed Session

Trustee Geary **moved to adjourn to closed session as per the exceptions to the open meeting act.** Trustee Montalto seconded the motion. President Michels then called for a roll call vote.

AYE:	Geary	NAY:	None	ABSENT:	None
	Paluch				
	Montalto				
	Herron				
	Johnson				
	Bohler				

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia L Galbreath, Clerk

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