

April 21, 2015
Village of Sugar Grove
6:00 PM

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

Present: President Michels, Trustee Paluch, Trustee Montalto, Trustee Geary, Trustee Herron, and Trustee Johnson.

Absent: Trustee Bohler.

Quorum Established.

Also Present:

Administrator Eichelberger, Clerk Galbreath, Finance Director Chamberlin, Community Development Director Magdziarz, Public Works Director Speciale, and Chief of Police Rollins.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

TIF 2 Public Hearing

President Michels opened the public hearing for the purposes of obtain public comment on the proposed TIF2. He stated that this is a public hearing and is for person to give comments. There will be no debate at this forum. Staff will by Friday at 4:30 place a Q&A on the website covering any questions that are not answered by the redevelopment plan.

He then called for any member of the public to step forward to provide comments. The following persons then gave comment. All those who spoke, asked that the TIF not be formed. Therefore the comments are truncated to include non-redundant items.

Louise Coffman. Library is need of funding, a referendum is not able to pass that relief is needed now not down the road. Tax payers do not need to be burdened.

Bill Durrenberger. TIF will impact negatively the school system and funds are need to pay for programs, classes and technology. All agencies with the Village need their taxes to provide services and if not receive will have an impact on real estate taxes. Don't give away money to developers. Sugar Grove is a desirable place to be the only thing need is faith and patience.

Shannon Halikias, Library Director. The Board of Trustees of the Library oppose the TIF, the library building and parking lot need maintenance, staff needs salary adjustments. The tax cap severely hinders the library in its ability to stay open let alone grow. The Board also feels the legislation with this TIF is being manipulated.

Carol Jolley. The TIF will have negative implications on Windsor West by being encircled by TIF's and industry. A petition signed by residents has been circulated and will be given to the Village. Everyone spoken to is against TIF.

Bryan Angelotti. Is in Finance and understand how things work. However there are too many foreclosure that the tax payers are already paying for. It needs to end somewhere.

James McDonagh. Does any member of the Board own land in the TIF area. No industry by my house it is the only thing I have.

Melisa Flint. Moved to a small community, we need Library Park and fire to be able serve the residents.

Dennis Fitzpatrick. Read the report and the plan and is still strongly opposed. This was part of TIF1 and the Board took it out, why the change of mind.

Toby Koch. No industrial reports, no tax dollars to developers.

Renee Dee. Needs more information to be convinced. No factories. Appears would have a negative impact on the children's future.

Bill Perkins, Fire Chief. Fire District is opposed. 92% of funding is property tax. 30% increase in calls and adding buildings will add to the demand of the district. The district has been working with the village to find a solution to the impact on all entities however at this time the district remains opposed. Would like to see all entities involved discussions.

Jack Feltes. No need to push growth will come just let things naturally flow.

Diane Lynch. Maintain property taxes, no factories

Dave Decker. When this was decided on that a TIF was needed. What is the decline, what and how was it designated. Would like to see a list of costs.

Alfred Likeum. Would not like to see industry or manufacturing that does not have money for startup.

Ed Butterbaugh. Love living in the country put a golf course there.

Jeff Lynch. Taxes are too high now. TIF will push us out

Lee Pham. Keeps up property, raises his family but will have to move if taxes increase.

Anthony Oliver. Library opposed don't take money out of taxpayers' pockets. Sugar Grove is desirable place and word will get out.

Deborah Deboer. Love the wild life, life is already devalued and she can't afford to sell.

Scott Stalcup. Listen to the people, discouraged this is back again before the Board.

Russell Cerocke. Board has done a great job of building Sugar Grove, keep doing it however oppose TIF.

John Marek. Want to see corn, corn is not a blight.

President Michels thanked everyone for their comments and hearing no other comments, stated that the comments would be taken into consideration, TIF information is available on the Sugar Grove website. Trustee Montalto moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Trustee Johnson, all members in attendance voted AYE. Motion carried, public hearing closed at 6:55 pm.

No other member of the public stepped forward and the hearing was closed. Motion made by Trustee Montalto, second by Trustee Johnson. All in attendance voted Aye in a voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval: Minutes of the April 7, 2015 Meeting
- b. Approval: Vouchers
- c. Approval: Treasurer's Report
- d. Proclamation: Arbor Day
- e. Proclamation: Building Safety Week
- f. Proclamation: Public Service Week
- g. Proclamation: Work Zone and Roadway Safety
- h. Proclamation: Motorcycle Awareness
- i. Approval: 2015-16 Liquor Licenses
- j. Ordinance: Updating Insurance Requirements for Tow Operators

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

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

Motion Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Resolution Accepting a Proposal for MP/ROA Wetland Maintenance

Trustee Montalto **moved to Approve a Resolution Accepting a Proposal for MP/ROA Wetland Maintenance.** Trustee Geary seconded the motion. The Board discussed the maintenance which includes both a burn and an herbicide application. The herbicide will be performed first. The burn will most likely be performed fall/winter. President Michels then called for a roll call vote.

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

Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS

Trustee Montalto inquired about the light pole on Gordon and Galena. Director Speciale stated that it is on order. This item has been out of stock and a few have been ordered to keep in stock. President Michels asked about the street lights in Strafford Woods. Director Speciale stated he would check and let the Board know. It was asked why there is no light at this intersection. Administrator Eichelberger stated that is in the initial annexation agreement for Settlers Ridge and will be dealt with by IDOT as it is an IDOT roadway.

Trustee Geary stated that the VET park work has been delayed as they are waiting for the final plan.

President Michels stated he had the honor of speaking with the 3rd Class at John Shields during Government week.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

President Michels called for any public comments. Hearing none he closed this portion of the agenda.

AIRPORT REPORT

None.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. by motion made by Trustee Johnson seconded by Trustee Montalto, all in attendance voted Aye in a Voice Vote.

Committee of the Whole

April 7, 2015

Village of Sugar Grove

7:55 PM

President Michels opened the meeting.

Present: President Michels, Trustee Paluch, Trustee Montalto (left at 6:30 p.m.), Trustee Geary, Trustee Herron, Trustee Bohler, and Trustee Johnson.

Absent:

Quorum Established.

Also Present:

Administrator Eichelberger, Clerk Galbreath, Finance Director Chamberlin, Community Development Director Magdziarz, Public Works Director Speciale, and Chief of Police Rollins.

Discussion Settlers Ridge Preliminary & Final Plat

Representatives of LCP SLJV, for a portion of the Settlers Ridge area briefly explained what area it is they are looking to subdivide and that they look forward to moving forward. The Board read the report and the proposal and were in agreement that it should move forward.

Discussion Commercial Window Signs

The Board reviewed the information supplied by staff regarding the use of window signage and agreed that the code should be amended to allow the usage as presented.

Discussion Monument Sign - 160 S. Municipal Dr.

The Board review the various signage possibility for the Village buildings at 140- 160 S. Municipal. The agreed with staff however also would like to see a statement that the Board reserves the right to keep the original layout as well. They felt the signage would add good visibility without being obtrusive.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. as there was no further business.