

**October 04, 2012
Village of Sugar Grove
Regular Board Meeting
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 Bohler, Trustee Johnson, Trustee Renk, Trustee Montalto, and Trustee Geary.

Absent: Trustee Renk.

Quorum Established.

Also Present:

Administrator Eichelberger, Attorney Andersson, Finance Director VanVooren, Chief Moser , Clerk Galbreath, Director of Public Works Speciale, and Community Development Director Young.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

President Michels called for any public comments on items scheduled for action (all items were read and announced). Hearing none this portion of the agenda was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval: Minutes for September 18, 2012 Meeting
- b. Approval: Vouchers
- ~~c. Ordinance: Amending the Village Code to Clarify Disconnection Charge Tag Fee~~
- d. Proclamation: National Physical Therapy Month

Trustee Johnson **moved to approve the Consent Agenda removing item c – Ordinance: Amending the Village Code to Clarify Disconnection Charge Tag Fee.** Trustee Geary seconded the motion. President Michels then called for a roll call vote.

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

Motion Carried.

Ordinance Amending the Village Code to Clarify Disconnection Charge Tag Fee

Trustee Johnson **moved to approve an Ordinance Amending the Village Code to Clarify Disconnection Charge Tag Fee.** Trustee Geary seconded the motion. Trustee Geary asked that staff explain the procedures followed prior to a customer receiving a notice of disconnection (water shut off). Finance Director Justin VanVooren explained the procedures that staff follows to notify customers that their account is in arrears and the steps that lead up to and can included disconnection of services. President Michels called for further discussion and hearing none, called for a roll call vote.

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

Motion Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Resolution Amending Number of Liquor Licenses

Trustee Johnson **moved to Adopt a Resolution Amending Number of Liquor Licenses.** Trustee Bohler seconded the motion. President Michels called for any discussion and hearing none, called for a roll call vote.

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

Motion Carried.

Approval Liquor License for Walgreens

Trustee Johnson **moved to Approve a Class B Liquor License for Walgreens.** Trustee Geary seconded the motion. President Michels called for any discussion and hearing none, called for a roll call vote.

AYE:	Johnson	NAY:	None	ABSENT:	Renk
	Paluch				
	Geary				

	Montalto				
	Bohler				

Motion Carried.

Resolution NE Corner Galena & 47 Sidewalk & Bike Path Paving Contract

Trustee Johnson **moved to adopt a Resolution Authorizing entering into for the NE Corner Galena & 47 Sidewalk & Bike Path Paving Contract.** Trustee Geary seconded the motion. President Michels called for further discussion and hearing none, called for a roll call vote.

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

Motion Carried.

Approval 2013 Meeting Calendar

Trustee Johnson **moved to Approve 2013 Meeting Calendar.** Trustee Paluch seconded the motion. President Michels called for further discussion and hearing none, called for a roll call vote.

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

Motion Carried.

Discussion - Township Park Concept

Township Supervisor Dan Nagel presented the concept of a township owned Community Park. He outlined what would be proposed to be included in the park. The park is proposed to include lighted field for soccer and baseball, a pavilion, a band shell, picnic shelters and playground equipment. The actual improvements for the park are projected to be built in 10 – 15 years using funding from grants and/or other agencies. He further stated that while the Township would own the park the long range plan is to have Sugar Grove Park District lease the park facility.

The Township would also proposed to place storage on the property for the road district. The road district is in need of space to store tore items such as gravel, culverts, grindings and

equipment used for roadway maintenance. The storage area will be screened and is proposed to be built after the purchase of the property.

Mr. Nagel explained that the township had been offered a fairly good deal on 20 – 32 acres, dependent on the use(s) they could build. This is why the township is before the Board this evening to determine if the Board would be amendable to changing the zoning and to the uses proposed.

President Michels inquired as to where the funding was coming from. Mr. Nagel stated that the land purchase and storage facility funds would be from Township Funds and the Road District Fund. Funding for the build out of the park would be from other sources.

Community Development Director Richard Young pointed out various options that have been drawn up by both the Township and staff as a concept for the proposed park. It is recommended that a connection be made to Keck Park if this park was to become a reality. He asked that during review of the concepts and the discussion that the Board keep in mind that the question(s) that need to be answered to give the Township some directions are 1) is a Community Park appropriate for this site, and 2) is an Outdoor Storage Facility appropriate for this site?

Administrator Eichelberger stated that the Board should also think about transportation as Municipal Drive right-of-way is not finalized and the concept for the extension and bridge over the railroad is a floating concept.

President Michels stated that he did not think that outdoor storage next to Municipal Drive would be appropriate especially as when the bridge/overpass is built it would be very visible. The Board has been working towards insuring that Municipal Drive stays an attractive thoroughfare. He questioned why the Township need to this storage. Mr. Nagel answered that the township needs the room to store grindings especially as currently they give them away and grindings can be used for shoulder and roadway work and would perhaps save money in the long run.

Trustee Johnson stated that while she was not opposed to the idea of a community park, outdoor storage does not belong in a residential area. The lighted fields could also be a problem in a residential area. She asked if the new developer in this subdivision had been contacted and asked if they would support this concept and if it would help their sales. She also asked if the township had considered purchasing property next to the current road district site. Mr. Nagel no and further stated that the park concept cannot be achieved with the Road District funds. This project goes hand in hand. The township has been saving money for a project. It was asked if the township had considered using some of its available funds for sponsoring senior transportation. It was answered no.

Trustee Bohler stated that a resident on Maple had issues with water ponding/drainage when the berm was at the end of Maple which was removed in anticipation of the street going through. The park concept shows a berm being built. Trustee Bohler asked that the resident in the area be contacted for their opinion of a park in the area and the proposed berms location. Mr. Nagel stated that he did plan on speaking with area residents. It was suggested that some type of community forum be held to explain the concept of the park/storage facility.

Trustee Montalto stated that he liked the idea of a park but did have issues with the storage. The lighted fields would need to be carefully controlled. He also asked if the township had considered inside storage for material rather than outside storage. Mr. Nagel stated he could ask the road district if inside storage would work.

Trustee Geary stated that he and Mr. Nagel had discussed the idea and he thought it was a fabulous idea for a community park. It appears to be a great location for a park that can have lighted fields and host community events such as the Corn Boil. It would also be a great park to allow for a ground display for the fireworks.

IT was asked if the airport had been contacted and the FAA to determine if lighted fields would be allowable in this location. Mr. Nagel stated that he had spoken with the FAA and they were okay with lights in this area.

Trustee Paluch stated he too had a concern with the outside storage as it seems to be the current focus and a park is 10-years out at the earliest. The lighting is also a concern as this a residential area. There is also no guarantee that the park would be built. Trustee Paluch asked if the land/cash for this development would be used for this park.

Administrator Eichelberger stated that rezoning these lots would have an effect on land/cash that has not yet been determined and that he could not speak for the Park District in how they use land/cash funds.

Trustee Johnson stated that as this is Community Park and funding for the park improvements is not yet determined perhaps to go to referendum asking the public if they would support a community park and some type of subsequent funding would be appropriate.

Mr. Nagel thanked the Board for their input and consideration and stated that he would take the gathered information to his Board to assist them in making a decision as to whether or not move forward with the purchase of land.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

The Board expressed their delight in the escort provided to the returning soldier and to his safe return. It was asked how the drainage project was progressing. It was answered that the project is going well, 6,525 feet of pipe have been place and is nearing the wetland area. Trustee Geary stated that his sump is not running and that his neighbors who have had complained about soggy yards have noticed an improvement as well.

Trustee Geary asked the Public Works look at a portion of Wheeler Road that appears to have sunk. Trustee Paluch asked when the next tree planting would be done. It was answered in May of 2013.

The Board also expressed their appreciated of the program put on by the Chief at which Sgt. McLaughlin spoke.

President Michels stated that he has been working on getting funding re-allocated for 47/88 project that was previously earmarked for Prairie Parkway. He, member of staff and Hultgrens office would be participating in a conference call on Thursday with the Federal Transportation District.

UPDATES

Trustee Paluch stated that the next meeting for the 2013 Corn Boil will be October 18th
Trustee Johnson gave a Chamber of Commerce and Kaneland Booster update.

AIRPORT REPORT

Mr. Wolf stated that the City of Aurora is still seeking funding for the roadway entering into the proposed HondaJet facility.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Karen McCannon stated that although she disabled she does not to lose her independence and that she was dismayed when travelling to church in her wheelchair to find that the sidewalk along Cross St had been disturbed. In addition to missing sidewalk, a barricade and a fence blocked her way. She removed the barricade to help her make her way and feels that that the Village should have been more diligent in observing what was occurring during the utility relocation process. She also feels that ADA requires the Village construction accessible sidewalks throughout the Village.

The Board and Ms. McCannon discussed and debated the installation of sidewalks and the construction progress.

Mr. Dave Decker stated he did feel the township park concept was a good one.

Adjournment

As there was no further business meeting was moved to be adjourned at 8:15 p.m. by Trustee Johnson and seconded by Trustee Geary. All members in attendance voted Aye in a voice vote.