

MINUTES OF THE 10 AUGUST 2011 FULL-COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF NORRIDGE
HELD AT 4000 NORTH OLCOTT AVENUE, NORRIDGE, IL, AT 6:32 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

The roll: Present: Ronald A. Oppedisano, President
 Judith Dunne Bernardi, Village Clerk
 Ursula A. Kucharski, Trustee
 Dennis H. Stefanowicz, Trustee
 Dominic Sulimowski, Trustee
 Dominic S. Falagario, Trustee
 Jacqueline Gregorio, Trustee
 Donald Gelsomino, Trustee

 Absent: None

 Also in attendance: Brian M. Gaseor, P.E., Village Engineer
 Mark V. Chester, Village Attorney
 David Disselhorst, Administrative Sergeant
 Village residents

President Oppedisano congratulated Judy Bernardi on the 43rd anniversary of her wedding to John.

Motion - By Stefanowicz, Seconded by Sulimowski that the minutes of the Full-
(1) Committee Meeting of 27 July 2011 be approved as presented and published
 and that they be made part of the record hereof. Kucharski, Stefanowicz,
 Sulimowski, Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino - YEA. NAYS - None. Motion
 prevailed.

President Oppedisano mentioned a meeting that was held with Hancock Engineering pertaining to the flooding in the southeast corner of the Village. It will be reported on by Trustee Sulimowski.

Trustee Gregorio reported on several items:

- She and the members of her committee, Trustees Kucharski and Falagario, have reviewed all of the contracts that the Village has with outside vendors and they are all up-to-date.
- The SAC Health Fair, which was held yesterday, August 9th, was a complete success. It was extremely well attended and was still quite busy when it came time to close at 12:00 noon.
- There are tickets available for the SAC Pancake Breakfast fundraiser being sponsored and hosted by Longhorn Restaurant on Saturday, August 20th. All proceeds will be given to SAC, including any money in the tip jars. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are available at Longhorn Restaurant and at the SAC offices.

Trustee Sulimowski had the following items in his committee:

- In the two weeks since the 27 July 2011 Board Meetings, the \$20,000.00 that was left in the grant program for the installation of approved flood-control systems has been depleted. Since the meetings that night and the appearance of a related article in Pioneer Press, additional applications have come in. While explaining that it would be on a first-come, first-served basis, Kate Tomaszewski of the Building Department has been compiling a list of these recent applicants, including their

addresses and phone numbers, in case any other monies become available. Trustee Sulimowski opened a discussion about allocating an additional \$20,000.00 from the Water Department to re-open the grant program. The general consensus was that, especially at this time of the heavy rains, this was a necessity; President Oppedisano concurred. Trustee Sulimowski had already spoken to Financial Director Jim Chmura who feels it is affordable; he will speak with Kate to determine how many residents are in the queue. As of May 1st, the beginning of the current fiscal year, an initial amount of \$30,000.00 had been allocated to the program.

- A resident who put in his own flood-control equipment two years ago has asked to be given money out of the current grant program. At the time he had the work done, the Village did not have that program. The Trustees said that no back payment is possible, and a response will be sent to the resident.
- Brian Gaseor spoke about the meeting that was held with Hancock Engineering pertaining to the 4000 and 4100 blocks of Odell and Octavia Avenues. It was determined that they will conduct a study under existing contracts that Hancock has with the Village which utilize the IJN (Illinois Jobs Now) funding. The field investigations to be performed are as follows:
 - detailing of existing conditions, including capacity analyses;
 - determining high water levels and their locations as they relate to street flooding, to be shown on an aerial exhibit;
 - smoke testing on the sanitary sewer system to locate any illegal connections;
 - and cleaning and televising sanitary and storm sewers to ensure their full capacity and to identify any defects in the pipe.

The three types of flooding that they will study are: flooding caused by water in the street; flooding coming from the perimeter of the house, including through doors, stairwells and window wells; and flooding that results from sewer backups. With all of the results in hand, Hancock will prepare a preliminary list of possible improvements that could be implemented by the Village. The report will include a preliminary cost estimate for each improvement and its anticipated benefits. A report for internal review will be completed by 05 September 2011. A public presentation will be given on a date to be determined.

President Oppedisano added that he has been in touch with Congressman Quigley and his staff. The Congressman will back any requests the Village makes for funding, even though Federal money hasn't been available for a year and a half, when "earmarks" were discontinued by Congress. FEMA is the only real hope and the survey information gathered from Norridge residents would be useful if and when FEMA decides to act. Also, through our GIS system, a TOPO map is available which contains elevations throughout the Village; it was already overlaid with last year's survey results and it confirms an area even lower than those around it.

- There were problems with the Village phones, including the non-emergency Police number; AT&T resolved them late on Friday. The particular cable had been replaced in 2007, but the squirrels had chewed through. This time, the phone company made splices and repairs. Doug Strempek checked into backup phone lines with another company but they were way too expensive. Perhaps CTY could be used to provide an available cell phone number when Village phones are out.
- There are no final results yet on the Oriole Avenue survey.

Trustee Falagario told the Board:

- that he, Brian Gaseor and Ken Radicke are in the process of reviewing the Residential and Commercial Building Codes that have been in effect in Norridge since 01 January 2006. Under review are various International Codes, among them: International Residential Code 2003; International Fire Code 2003; International Property Maintenance Code 2003; International Energy Conservation

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Code 2003; as well as the Village Amendments which pertain to the Codes. Once we have adopted them, we will be up to date with both the Fire District and Harwood Heights.

- HH Gregg, a purveyor of appliances and electronics, Elly's Pancake House, and Mullen's, a sports bar and grill, are all nearing completion of their work. Each is expected to open for business within a month.
- new façade renderings for the mall at 5050 Cumberland have been submitted for review by the Advisory Review Committee.
- the building which houses Basilico Restaurant will also be undergoing a face-lift. The owner has settled with the insurance company over wind damage.

Trustee Stefanowicz said:

- restoration is underway on the streets that were recently paved and the work should be finished by the end of the month.
- the work on Montrose from Canfield to Sayre should commence in early September. The \$816,000.00 cost of the work will be paid for with grant money obtained by the Village.
- there is a water main replacement project on Lawrence west of Cumberland, which is being funded by a low-cost EPA loan.

Trustee Gelsomino had the following items in his committee:

- there will be no NYA Football, for any age group, this year.
- the 100 or so girls who had registered with NYA for Cheerleading will cheer for NYA soccer and basketball games and, possibly, for Ridgewood Junior Rebels football.
- the Norridge Farmers Market has been postponed until next year. The vendors are all committed elsewhere.

Trustee Gregorio mentioned that we still owe NYA for insurance costs, but they have yet to submit a new estimate to her.

President Oppedisano mentioned that Trustee Gelsomino will be conferring with Mr. Chester before an ADA Coordinator is recommended for appointment.

Clerk Bernardi told the Trustees that they are all invited to participate in the upcoming three-hour CPR/AED classes, which will be held in Village Hall. The sign-up sheets, which include the available dates, are posted in the Work Area.

President Oppedisano paid tribute to the wonderful Community Service Officers who run the Village Animal Control program: Fred Toms and Stephanie Szewczyk. They do a fine job with this important program. He also told the Board that Officer Toms was driving and saw a lady who had fallen, whom other drivers were ignoring. He pulled over, got her an ambulance and, when she was safely taken for care, he took her chocolate lab back to the Police kennel until her family could come and pick up the dog.

The President also commended Corporal Brian Loughran and Officer Matt Goduto, both of whom are Norridge Detectives. As part of MCAT (Major Case Assistance Team), they apprehended a gang member/drug dealer. Their work was exemplary. (Corporal Loughran is in Investigations; Officer Goduto is in the Forensics Unit.)

Motion - By Stefanowicz, Seconded by Sulimowski, that, there being no further business,
(2) meeting be adjourned at 7:04 p.m. Kucharski, Stefanowicz, Sulimowski,
Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino - YEA. NAYS – None. Motion prevailed.
Meeting adjourned.

President

ATTEST:

Judith Dunne Bernardi, Village Clerk