

Village of Lombard

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Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 9, 2009

7:30 PM

Trustees Conference Room

Community Relations Committee

*Trustee Laura Fitzpatrick-Chairperson,
Trustee Bill Ware - Co-Chair,
Pamela Bedard, Andy Draus, Moon Khan, Cindy Wellwood-Burke, Lisa Biegalski,
Kimberly Angland, Griselda Corral & Barbara Jo Johnson
Staff Liaison Joelyn Kott*

1.0 Call to Order and Roll Call

Trustee Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Laura Fitzpatrick, Pamela Bedard, Griselda Corral, Barbara Jo Johnson, Andy Draus, Moon Khan, Lisa Biegalski, Kimberly Angland and Cindy Wellwood-Burke

Absent: Trustee Bill Ware

Also present: Joelyn Kott, Communications Coordinator.

2.0 Public Participation

None.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Wellwood-Burke and seconded by Angland the minutes of the September 16, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved by the members present.

5.0 New Business

A. Seniors

090014

2009 Senior Fair

Discussion regarding the 2009 Senior Fair evaluation results.

Most of the evaluations were positive. Committee comments included that it seemed like less booths, less people. Staff mentioned that there was the same number of booths as last year less the massages. Perhaps less people due to another Senior Fair in the area around the same time. The Secretary of State commented that they had more people than last year yet there were less people for flu shots than the prior year.

090703

2010 Senior Fair

Discussion regarding the 2010 Senior Fair.

Date confirmed for next year: October 6, 2010. Next year, Committee members should discuss more about the logistics at the meeting prior to the Senior Fair.

090704

Senior of the Year

Review and discussion of nomination criteria and eligibility in order to be considered Senior of the Year.

This year we only had one woman nominated and she was from unincorporated Lombard. A poll was taken and it was decided to keep it as a "Lombard address" in

order to be nominated. It does not matter if the person lives in incorporated Lombard or not, so long as it is a Lombard address.

B. Social Services

C. Youth

Trustee Fitzpatrick and staff attended a meeting at Willowbrook High School to talk about student representatives for various Village Committees. The purpose was to meet with the correct people to get some communication going with the correct people at the high schools. Willowbrook's principal and Department Head were both present but nothing has come of the discussions thus far. Andy Draus said he will give it another try as Trustee Fitzpatrick said that she and staff have exhausted their time allowance on this project. Staff recalled the community survey process and the community forum process and how it had been unsuccessful in getting kids on board for this program. Staff will send Andy Draus the letter that went to the high schools and he will give it a try.

D. Intergovernmental Relations

E. Diversity

6.0 Other Business

090649

Video Gaming

Review, discuss and provide a recommendation as to the level of support for video gaming.

Trustee Fitzpatrick explained that there is a lot of infrastructure shot and that many county or state owned streets are deteriorating and are in bad shape. Governor Pat Quinn said that in order to fund a plan to get the streets in shape, the funding is going to come from video gaming. These video poker machines will be in bars.

Quinn said to fund capital roads with gambling-many of the DuPage County communities have said "no" to gambling. Potential funding is one half million dollars-if the Village licenses all that it can. Each machine would be a payback of 5% or about \$10,000, with the state getting 25%. Now there is a problem where the state is going to have to create a video gaming entity to oversee this. Licensing is not finalized. Rules are not finalized yet either. Trustee Fitzpatrick emphasized to the committee that saying "no" says no to the funding that would be received.

For a business to have video gaming, it must possess a valid liquor license and cannot be within 100 feet of a school or place of worship. The Village could impose their own fees on these as well with the establishment of an ordinance. Communities such as Wheaton, Naperville and others have already said "no" to these video games.

The Village Board is taking two months to run this through the Village committees to see what their opinions are and each committee is to send its recommendation to the Board.

What is the downside? Addiction and other factors that are unknown.

The Board of Trustees tabled this item to get the feelings of the various boards and commissions.

Pam Bedard asked if the amount of money would be enough to lower property taxes and Trustee Fitzpatrick indicated no. Governor Quinn has rather held the streets hostage over these funds. However, President Mueller indicated that in the past we have not received what we have thought we would from the State.

It was moved by Draus, seconded by Biegalski, that this matter be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval for a temporary ban of video gaming. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Bedard, Corral and Draus

Nay: 5 - Johnson, Kahn, Biegalski, Angland and Wellwood-Burke

Absent: 1 - Ware

It was moved by Wellwood-Burke, seconded by Biegalski, that this matter be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval for a complete ban of video gaming. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Johnson, Kahn, Biegalski, Angland and Wellwood-Burke

Nay: 2 - Corral and Draus

Abstain: 1 - Bedard

Absent: 1 - Ware

Video Gaming Survey

Next, the committee reviewed the online community survey about video gaming. Andy Draus asked why they were doing this if they are against it. Trustee Fitzpatrick indicated that it is to get more information and input on this issue from residents.

The video gaming survey content was reviewed by the committee.

Staff will prepare the survey information for the 11/17/09 Board meeting.

4.0 Unfinished Business

B. Social Services

090705

Social Services Program

Request to review and discuss staff's research and recommendation relative to implementing a Social Services Program.

Trustee Fitzpatrick asked the committee members to read over all the information and

be ready to discuss it at the next meeting, December 14. The committee will make a recommendation to the Board on the social services program at that time.

Senior Services Directory-Add information from Moon from York Township to the social services directory.

Include two resources-two branches of DuPage County Health Department-Crisis Center on Finley Road and the Health Department on Jackson & Westmore/Meyers.

Staff will revise and update the social services directory, put it on the website and distribute it to the other departments.

The committee will exclusively discuss the social services report at the next meeting.

7.0 Information Only

Complete Count Committee-This ad hoc committee will be a sub-committee of the Community Relations Committee and will concentrate on education.

8.0 Adjournment

On a motion by Wellwood-Burke and seconded by Bedard, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. by unanimous consent of the members present.