

APPROVED
**LAKE ZURICH BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
70 East Main Street**

Monday, January 7, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Present were Village President Tolomei, Trustees Branding, Callahan, Johnson, McAvoy, Poynton, and Taylor. Also present were Acting Village Administrator and Building/Zoning Director Peterson, Public Works Director/Engineer Heyden, Interim Finance Director Sakai , Fire Chief Mastandrea, and Police Chief Urry.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. Proclamation honoring the Lake Zurich High School Varsity Football Team, State Class 7A Champions.

Village President Tolomei introduced Head Coach Stortz, and Coaches Beaver and Rubenstein as he congratulated the team on a wonderful season and for making the Village of Lake Zurich "Bear" proud. Village Clerk Palmblad read a proclamation recognizing the Lake Zurich High School Varsity Football Team as State Class 7A Champions. Coach Stortz called team members by name as they came forward to receive their proclamation and congratulations from President Tolomei. Coach Stortz thanked the community for all their support over the last two years.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Didier, 8 Fern Court, spoke to raise awareness and voice his concern over the potential commercial development currently being proposed at the intersection of Route 22 and Quentin Rd. This property is in unincorporated Lake County and is scheduled for a public hearing on January 21st at the Ela Area Library. Mr. Didier asked the Village for their support in opposing this commercial development on this property.

Jim Tarbett, 1195 Cedar Creek Drive, also spoke out against this proposed development due to the density planned for this property.

Beldon Rich, 155 Fern Road, moved to Cedar Creek and Lake Zurich twenty years ago for its residential atmosphere and would prefer to maintain that atmosphere.

Joe Kirschenbaum, 1290 Berkley Road, spoke regarding his concern for the safety of his children who play within a close proximity to this proposed commercial development.

President Tolomei thanked the residents for their comments. He mentioned the Board has just been made aware of what is proposed for that property and shares their concerns.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Village Board meeting December 17, 2007

MOTION was made by Trustee McAvoy, seconded by Trustee Callahan, to approve the Regular Village Board meeting minutes of December 17, 2007.

Voice vote, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

No items at this time.

7. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

No report.

8. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report.

9. COMMITTEE AND TRUSTEE REPORTS

No report.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Warrant dated January 7, 2008. Consideration of the Warrant dated January 7, 2008 in the amount of \$1,053,117.27 which includes the following items over 5% of the total:

1. Manusos General Contracting	\$289,733.50	27.51%
2. Maxim Construction Corp.	\$213,268.50	20.25%
3. Layne Christensen Co.	\$61,546.10	5.84%

Village President Tolomei reviewed the items over 5%.

Trustee Johnson advised the public the previous mentioned payments are all in conjunction with improving the Village's filtration system in our wells to bring them into compliance.

MOTION was made by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee McAvoy, to approve the Warrant dated January 7, 2008.

AYES: 6 Trustees Branding, Callahan, Johnson, McAvoy, Poynton, and Taylor

NAYES: 0

ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- B. An item not on the agenda but called for by President Tolomei, requested the Board review written comments from staff, regarding the proposed purchase of the EJ & E Railroad by the Canadian National Railroad Company, that will be submitted to the Safety Transportation Board (STB) at their January 9th Open House.

Discussion amongst the Board members included thoughts on legal action, environmental impacts, emergency vehicles, safety, residential impacts, storm water impacts, hazmat situations, to name a few. At this time, only freight service is planned for these rails.

The Safety Transportation Board has scheduled seven open house forums for residents to make comments. The closest two will be held on January 8th at the Crowne Plaza in Mundelein and on January 9th at Makray Golf Club in Barrington. These are open to everyone from 1-4 pm and from 6-8 pm.

Trustee Poynton feels the letter drafted to the STB needs to be strengthened before submission on the February 1st deadline. Trustee Poynton also suggested Community School District 95, Ela Township, and the Industrial Council be contacted in time for them to submit their comments.

Building/Zoning Director Peterson mentioned this study has two phases. The first phase takes into consideration all the environmental impacts, with a long range study that could take as long as two years to complete. The second phase is an economic study.

Trustee McAvoy suggested the Village request underpasses be installed at our major train intersections.

Trustee Branding questioned whether there were any restrictions as to the length of time a crossing could be blocked. Police Chief Urry stated there is a time restriction but did not have that information at this time.

Building/Zoning Director Peterson alerted the Board these transportation changes will impact the comprehensive plan approved by the Village in 2003.

President Tolomei said it was clear at the Northwest Municipal meeting that some cities along the line will benefit greatly by this change, while others will be negatively impacted.

It was noted that people viewing this evening's meeting would miss the opportunity to attend the two closest open house forums. Anyone wishing to make comments could send them electronically to the STB from a link on the Village website.

C. Trustee Poynton suggested anyone with kids interested in baseball and golf visit the Lakeside Family Sports facility, a new asset to the Village. On a second note, Trustee Poynton reiterated the Board has not seen all of the information on the commercial development proposed for Quentin and Route 22. The Board is interested and will voice their concerns as soon as this information is received.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Trustee Callahan, seconded by Trustee McAvoy, to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Voice vote, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted: *Gloria M. Palmblad, Village Clerk*

Approved by: _____
President John G. Tolomei