

APPROVED
VILLAGE OF LAKE ZURICH
PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APRIL 20, 2009

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm.

Present were Village President Tolomei, Trustees Branding, Callahan, Johnson, and Taylor. Trustees McAvoy and Poynton were excused. Also present were Village Administrator Vitas, Village Attorney Burkland, Police Chief Finlon, Public Works Director/Engineer Heyden, Fire Chief Mastandrea, Park Director Perkins, Building/Zoning Director Peterson, and Finance Director Zochowski.

2. PUBLIC HEARING

The proposed 2009-2010 budget and budget ordinance are on the agenda for approval at the April 20th's Board meeting. Once approved, the Finance Director has 30 days to file with the County Clerk.

Finance Director Zochowski reviewed a short powerpoint presentation recapping the cost containments taken in order to present a balanced budget. Revenue and expenditure assumptions were highlighted and a five year long term financial plan has been implemented.

The public hearing opened at 7:03 pm.

Maureen Degen, One Newgate Court and Park and Recreation Advisory Chairperson, spoke regarding two important items; the creation of a superintendent position to oversee park programming and the reorganization of park maintenance staff reporting to Public Works. The Park Advisory Board is delighted the superintendent position will be in the budget this year, but feels it's important for the park maintenance staff to continue reporting to the Park Department and should be reconsidered.

Eric Dubiel, 947 Evanston Terrace, questioned the purpose of the red light cameras at a previous meeting and requested the yellow light duration be increased.

Jim Tarbet, 1195 Cedar Creek Drive, referenced a commentary in the newspapers regarding red light cameras, questioned the uses of hotel tax revenue, and disappointed water fund revenue is being used for purposes other than for water.

The public hearing was closed at 7:15 pm.

Responses:

Trustee Johnson referenced a recently passed bill that removes restrictions municipalities have in spending hotel tax revenue.

Trustee Taylor countered Mr. Tarbet's comments on spending water fund revenue.

Trustee Branding requested Park Director Perkins respond to Mrs. Degen's comments about the proposed personnel changes. Park Director Perkins has agreed to the one year trial.

Police Chief Finlon reiterated the State sets the parameters for the duration of the yellow lights and the red lights were installed for safety reasons.

Trustee Taylor reminded Staff the streets are being neglected again this year and made a final request the road resurface program be reinstated next year.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.

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

Approved by: _____
President Suzanne Branding