



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
January 2, 2018
Immediately Following the Village Board Meeting

MINUTES

Roll Call: Taylor x Vogel x Jarvis x Waldenstrom x
Davies x Shores x Nicodemus x

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS: None

**1. APPROVAL: MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 5, 2017
AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF DECEMBER 5, 2017**

Trustee Davies made a motion, seconded by Trustee Waldenstrom, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 5, 2017 and Minutes of the Executive Session of December 5, 2017. On voice vote - all “aye”. Motion carried.

2. FURTHER DISCUSSION: AQUATIC CENTER MANAGEMENT OPTIONS

Mayor Taylor noted that the Village Board has discussed this in the past. Most recently last fall. At that time the Village Board authorized a one year contract with Jeff Ellis Management to provide lifeguard/staffing/training/supervision/pool quality management and pumping operations. He noted the Village Board expressed concerns about cost and asked staff to continue to look for ways to reduce cost for these services and explore alternatives that would help address the potential operating risks from staff departures. Mayor Taylor stated he still recommends the third party contract with Jeff Ellis Management.

Trustee Nicodemus asked if one year would be enough time to provide additional insight into the personnel and operation aspects of the aquatic center. Village Manager Ellis stated he believes one year will be satisfactory.

Trustee Shores asked about the revenue differences during the seven year period. Village Manager Ellis noted those are attributable to swim lessons revenue.

Trustee Davies stated she is leaning toward the private party option. Mayor Taylor noted it’s a one year commitment and that the Village can gain insight about the center from the contractor.

Trustee Vogel stated he originally supported the outsourcing option last fall. However, outsourcing was not successful in the past. In addition, since last fall there have been several staff departures. Therefore, he prefers hiring an additional employee to provide staff depth.

*Mayor: Rhiett Taylor
Trustees: Shawn M. Vogel ~ Ronald L. Jarvis ~ Kevin D. Waldenstrom ~ Elizabeth Davies ~ Adam R. Shores ~ Heather S. Nicodemus
Village Clerk: Cynthia E. Lee*

Trustee Jarvis noted the “in-house” option is cheaper than contracting out. Mayor Taylor stated that is true but the Village would be gaining more hours through contracting.

Trustee Shores asked if the Village would still be involved in marketing the center. Village Manager Ellis stated the Village, the Village’s marketing consultant and Jeff Ellis Management would all be involved in marketing the center. Trustee Vogel stated that is another reason he does not support contracting out. Coordinating three different parties for marketing would be difficult.

Mayor Taylor asked for an informal survey of which option the Board prefers. The vote was 5 (Jarvis, Waldenstrom, Davies, Shores, Nicodemus) – 1 (Vogel) in favor of the outsourcing option.

3. DISCUSSION: SWALCO COMPOSTING/RECYCLING PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

Mayor Taylor stated the Village has received a request from SWALCO to participate with them and Highland Park in an outreach effort to increase awareness and interest in food scrap composting and recycling for businesses. It would include larger food waste generators such as churches and schools. Mayor Taylor stated SWALCO would conduct the outreach efforts. Mayor Taylor stated the cost to the Village is estimated to be \$10,000 and can be accommodated within the budget.

Trustee Vogel stated he supports the request. He stated he believes the cost is nominal considering this program would reduce the amount of waste going into the landfill.

Trustee Jarvis stated this type of thing has been previously discussed and is consistent with past Village environmental initiatives.

Trustee Jarvis made a motion to recommend participation in the SWALCO Composting/Recycling Program. Trustee Waldenstrom 2nd. All “ayes”. Motion carried.

4. OTHER BUSINESS: None.

5. ADJOURNMENT: Trustee Jarvis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Nicodemus, to adjourn. On voice vote – all “aye”. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.