



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**  
**February 6, 2018**  
**Immediately Following the Village Board Meeting**

**MINUTES**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS:** Former Mayor Pat Carey stated she frequently walks throughout the Village. She stated she notices vehicles frequently do not stop at crosswalks when pedestrians are present. She urged the Village Board to install pedestrian signs where warranted and suggested an education program to remind motorists it is State Law to stop at crosswalks when pedestrians are present.

**1. APPROVAL: MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 2, 2018**

Trustee Vogel made a motion, seconded by Trustee Waldenstrom, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 2, 2018. On voice vote - all “aye”. Motion carried.

**2. DISCUSSION: SPECIAL USE PERMIT – LAKE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION (SOLAR PANELS)**

Mayor Taylor stated the Fair Association is proposing to expand the existing solar panel installation on the main building which requires issuance of a special use permit. He noted that, per the request of Trustee Jarvis, the Village will be considering how to expedite requests for solar panels in the future. He stated the Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals unanimously recommended the request. He stated he supports the request.

After a brief discussion, Trustee Jarvis made a motion to recommend granting the special use permit. Trustee Waldenstrom 2<sup>nd</sup>. All “ayes”. Motion carried.

**3. DISCUSSION: SIGN VARIANCE REQUEST: JEWEL/OSCO**

Mayor Taylor stated the Village has received a request for a variance from the Sign Ordinance to allow an additional sign on the building’s front façade. The purpose of the sign is to advertise their new online pick-up and go service. He noted the Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals unanimously recommended granting the variance. Mayor Taylor stated he supports the request.

*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 Nicodemus asked if the level of illumination would be consistent with the other Jewel/Osco signs. Zoning Officer Smith said the illumination would be consistent.

Trustee Vogel stated he supports the request as it advertises a new service which is becoming more common in the industry and Jewel is a large sales tax contributor. He asked if the Village could control the amount of vans which periodically appear on the sidewalk in front of the store and in the parking lot advertising this service. Zoning Officer Smith stated staff would discuss that with Jewel.

Mayor Taylor stated the consensus of the Committee of the Whole is to recommend granting the variance.

#### **4. DISCUSSION: PEDESTRIAN SIGN STANDARDS**

Mayor Taylor stated the Committee of the Whole previously discussed this matter and at that time asked staff to suggest a series of criteria for installation of in-street pedestrian crossing signs. He reviewed the suggested criteria.

Trustee Nicodemus asked at which locations the criteria would apply. Village Engineer Heinz stated the downtown area including the intersection of Center Street and Seymour Avenue and perhaps other commercial areas.

Trustee Vogel stated he had spoken with Trustee Davies and she supports installation of the signage.

Trustee Jarvis stated he wanted to insure the signs would not become a distraction at intersections where extensive traffic control already exists such as Lake Street and Hillside Avenue. Trustee Vogel stated he believes that many signs which cause distractions are located on light poles that are close to the street. As long as poles are located a certain distance from streets, it should minimize distractions. In addition, he stated he believes, the education program could assist in this respect.

After brief additional discussion, Trustee Vogel made a recommendation to adopt the staff suggested criteria for pedestrian sign installation. Trustee Nicodemus 2<sup>nd</sup>. All “ayes”. Motion carried.

#### **5. EXECUTIVE SESSION: REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)) (If Needed)**

Mayor Taylor stated he does not believe an Executive Session is necessary to review certain Executive Session minutes and therefore is seeking a motion to release the minutes.

Trustee Vogel made a motion, seconded by Trustee Nicodemus, to release the Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Trustees and Committee of the Whole meetings of August 15, 2017, October 21, 2017, December 5, 2017 and December 19, 2017. On voice vote – all “aye”. Motion carried.

**6. OTHER BUSINESS:** None.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.