

**MINUTES  
WINNETKA VILLAGE COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 3, 2016**

(Approved: May 17, 2016)

A record of a legally convened regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Winnetka, which was held in the Village Hall Council Chambers on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

- 1) Call to Order. President Greable called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Present: Trustees Andrew Cripe, Carol Fessler, William Krucks, Stuart McCrary, Scott Myers and Marilyn Prodromos. Absent: None. Also present: Village Manager Robert Bahan, Village Attorney Peter M. Friedman, Director of Community Development Mike D'Onofrio, Public Works Director Steve Saunders, Director of Water & Electric Brian Keys, Fire Chief Alan Berkowsky, Finance Director Tim Sloth, and approximately 18 persons in the audience.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance. President Greable led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) Quorum.
  - a) May 10, 2017 Study Session. All of the Council members present indicated that they expect to attend.
  - b) May 17, 2016 Regular Meeting. All of the Council members present indicated that they expect to attend.
  - c) June 7, 2016 Regular Meeting. All of the Council members present, except Trustee Krucks, indicated that they expect to attend.
- 4) Approval of the Agenda. Trustee Fessler, seconded by Trustee Myers, moved to approve the Agenda. By voice vote, the motion carried.
- 5) Consent Agenda
  - a) Village Council Minutes.
    - i) April 19, 2016 Regular Meeting.
  - b) Warrant List. Approving the Warrant List dated April 15-28, 2016 in the amount of \$738,755.12.
  - c) Ordinance No. M-8-2016: Authorizing the Disposition of Surplus Personal Property Owned by the Village of Winnetka (Adoption). An authorization to dispose of surplus Village property.

Trustee McCrary, seconded by Trustee Fessler, moved to approve the foregoing items on the Consent Agenda by omnibus vote. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Trustees Cripe, Fessler, Krucks, McCrary, Myers and Prodromos. Nays: None. Absent: None.
- 6) Stormwater Report. None.

7) Ordinances and Resolutions.

- a) Resolution No. R-28-2016: Approving an Agreement with Baxter & Woodman, Inc., for Engineering Services (Adoption). Mr. Saunders explained that as a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS), Winnetka residents receive a sizeable reduction on their flood insurance premiums. He added that the Village desires to improve its rating from a Class 6 to a Class 4, to reduce flood insurance premiums by another 10%. He noted that to reach this goal, Winnetka must first adopt a Watershed Master Plan (WMP) for purposes of mitigating the impact of future development, and having a plan for future stormwater management programs.

Mr. Saunders said an improvement in the Village's CRS rating is a key component of the Village's strategy for floodplain management. He recommended Baxter & Woodman, Inc. (B&W) to provide engineering services to help in the formation of a WMP, based on their previous assistance to the Village in the development and capture of Winnetka's watershed data, their familiarity with neighboring watersheds, and their knowledge of the CRS program.

Trustee McCrary asked if there is a Class 5, and if the Village should try for it, instead of jumping to Class 4. Mr. Saunders explained that the ratings are based on measures in place to control flood risk, and the Village aims to become the first Class 4 community in Illinois.

Trustees Fessler and Myers asked for assurance that the WMP won't lead to more onerous regulations in the floodplain. Mr. Saunders explained that since the Village complies with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District's Watershed Management Ordinance, he does not anticipate further floodplain regulations being required. He added that the main purpose of developing a WMP is to document Winnetka's floodplain management efforts. He noted that the CRS is primarily interested in how the Village plans to deal with water coming from communities further upstream in the Skokie River watershed.

Mr. Saunders explained that residents who live outside the floodplain also receive a flood insurance premium discount; however, it is smaller, as their rates are below the rates of those who live in the floodplain.

President Greable called for public comment.

Terry Dason, 1436 Scott Avenue. Ms. Dason asked how her insurance company will be notified about the change from a Class 6 to a Class 4.

Mr. Saunders said since flood insurance policies are underwritten through the NFIP, the discounts for communities participating in the CRS are automatically applied.

Penny Lanphier, 250 Birch Street. Ms. Lanphier asked if communities upstream have enough stormwater regulations in place to control the amount of water flowing into the watershed.

Mr. Saunders explained that the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission has been proactive, and has already adopted a county-wide stormwater management ordinance.

There being no further questions or comments, Trustee Krucks, seconded by Trustee McCrary, moved to adopt Resolution No. R-28-2016. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Trustees Cripe, Fessler, Krucks, McCrary, Myers and Prodromos. Nays: None. Absent: None.

- b) Resolution No. R-29-2016: Approving an Agreement with HR Green, Inc., for Engineering Services (Adoption). Mr. Saunders explained that a public sidewalk at the end of Fisher Lane and located in the public utility easement is frequently damaged due to erosion from the private ravine. He noted that \$275,000 is budgeted for ravine stabilization and to protect Village infrastructure at the site. The Village and the Fisher Lane Homeowners Association (HOA) propose developing an improvement project to control stormwater runoff and stabilize the ravine, and the parties have agreed to break the project engineering into three phases. Since cost-sharing negotiations cannot take place until more is known about the type of project required, he recommended awarding a contract for both Phase 1 and Phase 2 engineering, but holding off on work on Phase 2 until a cost-sharing arrangement is developed between the Village and the Fisher Lane HOA.

After a brief Council discussion, Trustee Krucks, seconded by Trustee McCrary, moved to adopt Resolution No. R-29-2016, awarding a contract for engineering services to H.R. Green Associates, to be developed in Phases as described in the Executive Summary. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Trustees Cripe, Fessler, Krucks, McCrary, Myers and Prodromos. Nays: None. Absent: None.

8) Public Comment.

Richard Kates 1326 Tower. Mr. Kates said he was on the Council with Trustee McCrary for three years, and found him a pleasure to work with. He also commended Trustees Prodromos and Fessler, and thanked the three retiring Trustees for their service.

Wally Greenough, Chair, Caucus Council. On behalf of the Caucus, Mr. Greenough expressed appreciation for the service of Trustees Fessler, McCrary and Prodromos.

Terry Dason, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director. Ms. Dason thanked the three retiring Trustees and expressed special thanks to Trustee Prodromos for her service as the Council's liaison to the Chamber.

Jeff Franzen, 290 Euclid Avenue. Mr. Franzen said he is a member of the "Save Crow Island Woods" initiative and that he looks forward to a dialog about stormwater solutions at the next Village Council Study Session.

9) Old Business. None

10) Reports

- a) Presentation of Council-Manager Commemorative Plaque. Trustee Fessler explained that, in honor of the Village's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of adopting the Council-Manager form of government, she was presenting a commemorative plaque to the Village. The plaque honors the contributions of Winnetka's professional village managers, who work behind the scenes to ensure quality, efficient and honest government in Winnetka. She presented the plaque to President Greable and Manager Bahan, and the Council expressed their appreciation for the gift.

11) Seating of New Village Council.

- a) Village Clerk's Report: Election Results. Manager Bahan, serving in his capacity as Village Clerk, announced the results of the March 15, 2016 election in which Penfield Lanphier, Christopher Rintz and Kristin Ziv were elected Village Trustees.

President Greable called for a motion to take a recess so that the oaths of office could be administered – after which, the meeting would be reconvened with the newly constituted Council.

Trustee Myers, seconded by Trustee McCrary, moved to take a short recess. By voice vote, the motion passed. At 7:42 p.m. the Council recessed.

- b) Administration of Oath of Office to Trustees-elect Penfield Lanphier, Christopher Rintz and Kristin Ziv. Manager Bahan administered the oaths of office to the three newly-elected Trustees.
- c) Call the new Council to Order. President Greable called the new Council to order at 7:48 p.m. Present: Trustees Andrew Cripe, William Krucks, Penfield Lanphier, Scott Myers, Christopher Rintz and Kristin Ziv. Absent: None. Also present: Village Manager Robert Bahan, Village Attorney Peter M. Friedman, Director of Community Development Mike D’Onofrio, Public Works Director Steve Saunders, Director of Water & Electric Brian Keys, Fire Chief Alan Berkowsky, Chief of Police Patrick Kreis, and approximately 12 persons in the audience

12) Ordinances and Resolutions.

a) Commendation Resolutions.

- i) Resolution No. R-26-2016: Commending Trustee Stuart McCrary (Adoption). President Greable read aloud a Resolution commending Trustee McCrary and thanking him for his service to the Village. Trustee Rintz, seconded by Trustee Krucks, moved to approve Resolution No. R-26-2016. By voice vote, the motion carried.
- ii) Resolution No. R-27-2016: Commending Trustee Marilyn Prodromos (Adoption). President Greable read aloud a Resolution commending Trustee Prodromos and thanking her for her service to the Village. Trustee Krucks, seconded by Trustee Myers, moved to approve Resolution No. R-27-2016. By voice vote, the motion carried.
- iii) Resolution No. R-25-2016: Commending Trustee Carol Fessler (Adoption). President Greable read aloud a Resolution commending Trustee Fessler and thanking her for her service to the Village. Trustee Ziv, seconded by Trustee Krucks, moved to approve Resolution No. R-25-2016. By voice vote, the motion carried.

13) Public Comment.

As she had a prior engagement and could not be present in person, President Greable read a brief statement from Trustee Fessler expressing her appreciation for the opportunity to work with President Greable, Village Trustees, Manager Bahan and Village Staff, and wishing the new Council the best of luck.

14) New Business. None.

15) Appointments.

- a) Village President. President Greable called for a motion to approve the new Council organization assignments as follows:

President Pro Tem	Trustee Krucks
Warrants	Trustee Lanphier
Chamber of Commerce	Trustee Ziv
Environmental & Forestry Commission	Trustee Lanphier
Plan Commission	Trustee Cripe
Business Community Development Commission	Trustee Myers
Outreach & Engagement Program Liaison	Trustee Ziv
RED Center	Trustee Rintz
Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC)	President Greable, Manager Bahan, Trustee Ziv
Landmark Preservation Commission Liaison	Trustee Cripe
Stormwater Infrastructure Liaisons	President Greable, Trustee Krucks
Downtown Master Plan Liaisons	President Greable, Trustees Krucks and Myers
One Winnetka Liaisons	President Greable, Trustee Rintz

Trustee Myers, seconded by Trustee Krucks moved to approve the new Council assignments. By voice vote, the motion carried.

16) Reports.

- a) Village President. President Greable wished the three new Trustees the best as the new Council goes forward together in 2016-17.
- b) Trustees.
  - i) Trustee Lanphier said she felt humbled to fill the shoes of the outgoing Council members.
- c) Attorney. None.
- d) Manager. None.

17) Closed Session. Trustee Myers moved to adjourn into Closed Session to discuss purchase or lease of real property and for setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the Village of Winnetka, pursuant to Sections 2c(5) and 2c(6) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Trustee Krucks seconded the motion. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Trustees Cripe, Krucks, Lanphier, Myers, Rintz and Ziv. Nays: None. Absent: None.

President Greable announced that the Council would not return to the open meeting after Executive Session. The Council adjourned into Executive Session at 8:26 p.m.

18) Adjournment. Trustee Rintz, seconded by Trustee Lanphier, moved to adjourn the meeting. By voice vote, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

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Deputy Clerk