A Regular Meeting of the Pleasant Prairie Village Board was held on Monday, September 19, 2005. Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Village Board members John Steinbrink, Alex Tiahnybok, Steve Kumorkiewicz, Jeff Lauer and Mike Serpe. Also present were Mike Pollocoff, Village Administrator; Jean Werbie, Community Development Director; Kathy Goessl, Finance Director/Treasurer and Jane Romanowski, Village Clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Lead by Boy Scout Troop 505

3. ROLL CALL

4. MINUTES OF MEETINGS - AUGUST 29 AND SEPTEMBER 6, 2005

TIAHNYBOK MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 29, 2005 AND SEPTEMBER 6, 2005 VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS AS PRESENTED; SECONDED BY KUMORKIEWICZ; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Consider the request of Thomas and Barbara Spaid owners of the vacant property known as Lot 25 in Terra Heights Estates Subdivision located at the southeast corner of 45th Avenue (an improved public street) and 119th Street (a dedicated but un-improved public street) for a Variance from Section 395-19 of the Land Division and Development Control Ordinance to defer the installation of public improvements on 119th Street to allow for a single family home to be built on the subject property.

Jean Werbie:

(Inserted from Staff Comments) The petitioner is requesting a variance from the Village Land Division and Development Control to defer the installation of public improvements on 119th Street and to allow for a single family home to be built on the vacant property located on Lot 25 in Terra Heights Estates Subdivision located at the southeast corner of 45th Avenue (an improved public street) and 119th Street (a dedicated but un-improved public street).

At the time that Terra Heights Estates was platted in 1963, 119th Street east of 45th Avenue was dedicated but not constructed. Pursuant to the Village’s current Land Division and Development Control Ordinance requirements, prior to a lot being able to be built on all required public
improvements within the adjacent street shall be installed. Lot 25 is a corner lot and public improvements are not installed within 119th Street.

Pursuant to the recently approved Pleasant Home Neighborhood Plan, 119th Street would connect to future development east of this property. The petitioner is requesting that the installation of these public improvements be deferred until the land to the east is developed and the cost for the public improvements in the existing 119th Street right-of-way be paid for by the Developer of the land adjacent with a portion of the cost to be shared by the owner of Lot 25, if this lot is subdivided or connects to 119th Street with a driveway.

The Village staff recommends that the Village Board makes the determination that the Variance will not be contrary to the public interest, because of special conditions which are not generally applicable to other properties and is not a recurrent nature, that a literal enforcement of the provisions will result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the Land Division and Development Control Ordinance shall be observed, public safety and welfare secured and substantial justice done.

The Village staff has not received any objects to this request from any adjacent or abutting land owners.

The Village staff recommends approval of the Variance as requested subject to the following conditions:

1. The property owner shall be required, as a condition of the deferment, to pay for a wood split rail fence and its installation across the width of the 45th Avenue right-of-way at the 119th Street right-of-way and to pay for a sign and its installation that would be placed on the fence. The sign shall indicate that, “Future Extension of Village Street Improvements to Serve as Access to Adjacent Lands”. The Village Streets Superintendent will need to approve and make and install the fence/sign. The fence/sign shall be installed prior to the issuance of a zoning permit on Lot 25.

2. The owner shall sign a Waiver of Notice of Special Assessment as prepared by the Village staff that identifies the potential future costs and what actions such as a land division, connections to or utilizing of the public improvements in 119th Street that would trigger the payment of the costs. The owners shall pay the recording and filing fees to have said document recorded at the Register of Deeds office. This document shall be executed and recorded prior to the issuance of any zoning permits on said property.

3. The Village will prepare the required Variance Grant Document that specifies the conditions of approval. The owners shall pay the recording and filing fees to have said document recorded at the Register of Deeds office. This document shall be executed and recorded prior to the issuance of any zoning permits on said property.

4. Compliance with all other conditions and requirements of the Village Land Division and Development Control Ordinance, Zoning Ordinance, Municipal Ordinance or any other ordinances enforced by the Village.
6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Don Hackbarth:

4311-104th Street spoke on his trip to help in the south in the Hurricane Katrina relief efforts. He stated his point in all this tonight is if a government that works together the better off this community will be. He encouraged the Board to do this. Pleasant Prairie has a real good chance to make this work. Set aside the differences.

Diane Schoen:

6320 109th Street, spoke on the change of meeting times for the Village Board and about the eminent domain issue. (Note: Taping device was started). Both the Republican and Democratic Chairpersons saw fit to mention it in their weekend editorials. Mr. Pollocoff’s conclusion seemed to be that we could either have an extensive proceeding in place or a two-third majority vote. Since so many citizens are worried about this, my question is why can’t we have both? Thank you.

Jane Romanowski:

There are no more signups tonight.

John Steinbrink:

Anyone else wishing to speak under citizens’ comments?

7. VILLAGE BOARD COMMENTS

Mike Serpe:

I think it was great that Don Hackbarth took part in that service down in the south. He e-mailed me a couple times from there, and it’s quite disturbing after reading the e-mails what people have to live or how they have to live because of Hurricane Katrina. I commend Don for doing that and the service he’s involved in.

One other thing on Ms. Schoen’s statement about the CDA or the eminent domain. I talk to a lot of people in Pleasant Prairie and I’ve been a part of this Board for going on 17 years, and since the Supreme Court ruling came out nobody has talked to me about Pleasant Prairie’s method of eminent domain. I have not received one call or one complaint or anything about it. I’m going to guess it’s probably because we took that job very seriously and did it right in our deliberations on what we did west of the I. So I don’t know what the reason is or why it’s coming forward and why we keep on beating this thing. But, like I said, nobody has approached me on this. Nobody has called me to complain about it. Nobody has asked give your support to two-thirds or anything. Just for the record the votes that are taken on the eminent domain process were all unanimous votes by the CDA.

Jeff Lauer:
I guess I more or less have a question not regarding the comments. But at the last meeting I know Sheriff Beth presented his and Chief Wagner has re-presented his. Has there been a date set yet for a meeting yet that you’re aware of, Mike? I know there was discussion that was going to be talked about and I just didn’t know if there’s been one yet or not.

Mike Pollocoff:

Right now the Chief and I are looking to have our evaluation done so that we can have it at the October 3rd meeting. We’ve had some difficulties. It took Kenosha County two weeks to get us a copy of their budget that shows what their revenues and expenditures were for patrol in the Sheriff’s Department which was a significantly greater amount of time than I thought would be needed. But that’s what it took, so it put us behind as far as our evaluation on it. So right now I’m looking at October 3rd to be able to have a report of our evaluation of the Sheriff’s proposal to disband the police department.

Jeff Lauer:

I know we mentioned maybe a special meeting but I wasn’t aware. Okay.

John Steinbrink:

Anyone else wishing to comment?

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

Mike, you had trouble getting the figures from Kenosha County? If I recall correct when we were doing the study of the Kenosha County and the City of Kenosha there was a problem over there. We were delayed getting figures.

Mike Pollocoff:

The Sheriff had supplied the Village with the budget of what it would cost him to provide services. In order to provide a meaningful evaluation of what their budget was, we need to be able to recreate and understand how he came up with the numbers and what the detailed expenditures are in the Sheriff’s Department. We had asked that next morning and I think we received it last Thursday afternoon. So I do know that our finance director made a request very specific to what we wanted. It was not information that they needed to create I hope, and they should have been able to just provide us. But it did take what I thought was given what should be a larger operation a substantial amount of time to generate that information. So consequently there are other things we’re doing and evaluating, but as far as numbers to be able to substantiate the Sheriff’s claim of that savings without having the budget it’s pretty hard to look at that. We got that Thursday and we started working on it Friday.
8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Receive and Acknowledge the Village’s success is earning the Wisconsin Award for Municipal Excellence (WAME) from the League of Wisconsin Municipalities.

Mike Pollocoff:

Mr. President, the League of Wisconsin Municipalities has provided us with a Wisconsin Award for Municipal Excellence for the Village of Pleasant Prairie. You can see it up there. The official plaque is going to be presented to the Village at the League of Municipalities Conference in Green Bay.

The Executive Director of the League has provided you with a memo and a small narrative report of what was done. We applied for this back in February of last year, and in essence the Wisconsin Award for Municipal Excellence really involves being able to show and substantiate through your municipal operations that your municipality has achieved a certain level, a high level, of performance in a number of areas.

Not every municipality is the same. Some things are that we don’t provide bus service so we don’t evaluate ourselves on that. But we do provide some what I think we felt all along was some excellent services. There was an independent review that was made both by the League President, the Mayor of Wauwatosa, the Village President of West Milwaukee and the City Administrator from the City of Racine. They evaluated the overall organization and administration of the Village, found it to be fully within the requirements of the statute and compactly organized.

The financial management of the Village was such that the Village, especially for our size, we’re very fortunate to have a finance department with two CPAs in it, and they’ve managed a significant amount of resources. Right now and for the past couple years we’re going to have $70 million one way or another that’s moving its way through the Village. The Village on our most recent bond issue received a rating of A+ from Moody’s Investment Services, and you don’t get an A+ rating by taking somebody out to lunch and say give me a rating. You need to substantiate that you have a good operation.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

I think that you should read the letter that we got.

John Steinbrink:

Let Mike finish this.
Mike Pollocoff:

With respect to planning and land use, there are not too many communities our size that are under as much and significant development pressure as Pleasant Prairie. We have an excellent planning staff with professional planners led by Jean that do an excellent job for managing development for a community that has as much development pressure as we have. Plus the community has really sought out other communities and we have a comprehensive land use plan that’s based on cooperation with Kenosha County, the City of Kenosha, Unified School District and the Town of Somers. That’s very unusual. You don’t find hardly any communities that have banded together and done an area wide plan. That’s 20 years ahead of Smart Growth.

The level of intergovernmental cooperation that we’ve exhibited with other communities, the fact that we have a very innovative consortium of property assessments led by Rocco Vita and the successful relationships we have with communities on the other side of the County to efficiently prepare property assessment records and the process is something else that nobody else does. The extensive agreements with the City on the sewer and water, there are communities that have those, and even though ours can be contentious at times, ours are far less contentious than most.

The area of law enforcement which is a required area. The Village provides excellent law enforcement services. We have one of the most productive police departments with the highest arrest rates per officer at the most budgetary efficient rates than most communities. The average is over two officers per thousand. Contrary to Sheriff Beth’s math, we run at 1.5 officers per thousand. We run pretty lean and we get a lot done for it. We have a police department that cooperates at a high degree with other Village agencies and the fire department. That’s something else that doesn’t happen in a lot of other places.

Our fire department as evaluated by the League is a highly trained department, certifying officers for Firefighter I, Firefighter II, officers being certified as inspectors. We have an ISO rating, which is the rating that the insurance agency gives to the community that says how safe is your property and how well protected is it. We have a four area for the areas that are served by hydrants and a five area for those areas that aren’t served by hydrants and that’s very unusual. Most communities without hydrants are running sevens and nines. You almost might as well mail the water to the fire as well as get it there by truck. Chief Guilbert has done a great job in coordinating a system of responses through MABAS, providing a staff to the community that is high functioning. The equipment we have is very functional. It might not have all the chrome and brass on it that other departments have, but we have good working equipment and we have excellent response times.

The other thing that is not seen and it probably doesn’t reach out very far is the fact that we have a department that has full-time officers and paramedics and paid on call. Very rarely do you see a department where they’re able to make that group together. Without that we’d have a full-time department at a significantly higher expense. Same thing for emergency services. We have paramedic level services and for a community this size it’s not typical and we’ve done that for a number of years.
The recreation and leisure services offered by the Village, it goes without saying that the RecPlex and the IcePlex lead the state as far as recreational departments for communities, let alone a community as small as Pleasant Prairie.

Our street system is well documented. The Street Superintendent keeps the system up with the PACER ratings. At some point the Village is going to come to grips with how we want to take care of providing ongoing capital improvements on those streets. But the fact that we know exactly the condition of all the streets and what needs what is significant.

The other thing I think that many citizens contact public works on the closest basis is during the winter when we are able to clear all roads within four hours after a typical snowfall. That doesn’t happen in all communities. In some communities that can be a couple days after a significant snowfall before a neighborhood will see a plow. In Pleasant Prairie that doesn’t happen. It’s a well organized system. Public works does a very good job of managing that, as well as the storm water system in those areas where we have a storm water system to maintain.

The water system for the Village is a unique one. It’s one of only two in the United States that has a trans basin water system where we take water out of one basin, cycle it around, send some back, some goes out of the basin. The Village meets all the criteria for the Public Service Commission. Although as utilities go we’re a very young utility, we’re probably 20 years old, and consequently we have a lot of capital that’s very new, we’re in a good position for growth. We’re able to handle growth and have water to be able to do two things, one is to provide the opportunity for economic development for industrial and commercial development, as well as provide a substantive network of fire protection for the entire Village.

Our sanitary sewer system was found to be in great shape the work that’s being done in the utilities to minimize infiltration, ground water infiltration, surface water infiltration to minimize our operating expenses with the Kenosha Water Utility as well as our own treatment plants have paid off in the last few years. And I think that many times--Pastor Hackbarth talked about sewage being five feet high in houses. If we had as much rain as they had we’d be having problems, too, but if you think back to a year ago in May when the Village was hit with a 100 year rain event, significant event, we had 24 basements that backed up which for 6,000 parcels is significant. We’re really done a lot of work to minimize those numbers. And if you can go through a major rain event and only have that level of problem with sanitary sewer, the utility department has done a good job.

The park and open space area they felt that the work that we’ve done with Prairie Springs Park plus our other parks in the area is significant, plus we’re in the process of really upgrading our master park plan to get a lot of work done.

Work with economic development, I think the Village has been as strong a player with economic development in Wisconsin as any community. Look at the results. A community that was valued at about $385 million before we started TIF #1, and we’re over $2 billion now. A lot of that is look at the significant impact of LakeView Corporate Park and the work that this community has done to develop that park, develop the infrastructure that’s there, and provide a place for industries to grow has an incredible impact on our property tax base. That and our cooperation
with LakeView Corporate Park in identifying opportunities to develop the park further as well as the expansion of LakeView Corporate Park into the Prairiewood Development.

The one area that, again, is a little unusual for the Village is the commercial development. There isn’t a lot of commercial development in the Village, and typically that probably won’t happen until we see more rooftops. That’s one of the things about a community that as a township probably had 27 diverse, separated, distantly spaced subdivisions, and started to see ingrowth start to take place all over the area. Commercial investments typically follow either highways or intensive residential development, and we’re starting to get to that point.

But the commercial development we do have with Prime Outlets is a high quality development. And if anybody has any doubts about that, take a look at what the Village required from a highway oriented retail outlet, an outlet store nature, and the requirements that were placed on Prime Outlets as they first came into this community in 1989, and as they’ve successfully grown. Measure that against what happened on the other side of the Interstate with the Original Factory Outlet Mall. I think what the community demanded as far as quality paid off. The original proposal from Prime was not too much different than what was on the other side of the Interstate. The Village hung tough and I think Prime is happier for it now, although they weren’t the original players and so is the Village.

Tourism, that’s one of the things that’s hidden in the community and we do participate with Kenosha and Bristol and the Town of Wheatland. This area gets marketed very efficiently. Anybody who knows Mary Gallagher knows that she’s out there representing us for the Village on the Tourism Board. I think we get a lot done, again, for a small community that markets our community.

That being said this is a great award. There’s not a lot of communities that receive this award. We’re the only one in 2005. You can see the other ones up there. They started putting them out in 1994, and most of those communities I’m pleased to say I really believe are progressive and forward thinking communities that have taken their responsibility to govern efficiently and effectively seriously. It’s nice to see that the Village’s name is up there.

The staff was particularly impressed and pleased with our professional staff that we have here when they did their evaluation. It was obvious that the Board has put together a good team of people that are highly competent, highly professional and deliver and excellent service. This is a nice benchmark for us to have someone from the outside come in and evaluate us against some pretty stringent standards to see that we met the test. That was good news from the League who are our peers in government.

John Steinbrink:

Thank you, Mike. It just goes to show you can get Statewide recognition like that and as detailed as this group was in assessing the Village and all the different factions of it. All our departments, everything that goes on here, including the recreation and our involvement with other communities is pretty impressive. This isn’t the first time for us. We received national recognition for our accounting practices a couple years ago. As Don says, it starts with the local community, and I think we’ve met all the tests as a local community. Especially when disaster
strikes I think our departments are ready to step in, pick up the ball and make sure things continue.

We have a lot of things other communities don’t have. We have the ability to go in and repair and maintain our systems with our own construction units. Our departments are well versed in it, and we even had an extensive disaster training and Steve and Tom and others took part in that. That was valuable to have those people as a part of that.

We run a tight ship in the Village and it pays, and I think the citizens should be happy that we do that because, as Don says, when government breaks down the populace suffers, and that’s what we saw with Hurricane Katrina is the breakdown. I give you a lot of credit, Mike, because you keep the department heads on top of their game, whether it’s your 12 month a year budget process or your weekly meetings with everybody to make sure everything is working fine and everybody is in their place. It’s that kind of leadership that allows this Village to gain recognition and awards like this. So I commend you and the rest of the staff for the great job you did.

Once again, the folks that evaluated us were very impressed. And these are folks that see a lot of stuff in communities and travel the State and visit these communities. And when it came to Pleasant Prairie they were very happy and very surprised at the level of achievement we’ve achieved in all the different things we’ve done and accomplished here.

Mike Serpe:

I can’t say enough about what Mike has accomplished for this Village. Every one of the department heads with the exception of the Police Chief and the Fire Chief who were appointed by the Commission are in place because of Mike Pollocoff’s recommendation. I’ve said it and I’ll say it again, we have the best planner that anybody could ask for in the State of Wisconsin in Jean Werbie. We have the best financial people in charge in Kathy Goessl. One of the best assessors that you could ever ask for, Rocco Vita. Streets and public works, John Steinbrink, Jr., give him a call he’s out to your house before the phone is hung up. You just can’t ask for a better group of people that are offering services to the Village than what we have in place. And, Mike, you get that credit. I could not have been more proud to work side-by-side with you for the past 16 years. You’re the best Administrator than anybody who has ever held that seat and I’m proud to be a part of it and I’m proud to be standing with you.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

Pretty much Mike said everything, but I another reason for the success of this Village is the quality of persons we have working. On the other side of the wall the team that Mike Pollocoff put together to the benefit of this community qualified Fire Departments. And we can say from the Village President down to the employees we work as a team. We work for each and every one the people in this Village. Mike you put it together. Thank you.

Jeff Lauer:
This is a great reward. When I read it when I got it, it was quite an achievement for the whole Village, and I just want to thank all the employees for what they’ve done to achieve it. Mike, the Administrator, all the way down to every single employees, because if you don’t have all the employees working together as a team this award might not have been attained. So to all the staff congratulations on all the hard work over the years.

John Steinbrink:

So will that be a large plaque we can display somewhere?

Mike Pollocoff:

I don’t know. I’ve never seen one of these WAME plaques. I do recommend that the logo they presented we can have that print off on our stationery with the computer printers. But I think it would be worthwhile to have those recreated as a decal to stick on the vehicles and door entries.

Mike Serpe:

I agree. I think it’s something to be proud of and I think we should let everybody know.

John Steinbrink:

When you’re recognized by your peers that’s pretty impressive, because I think those folks have just about seen it all.

Mike Pollocoff:

I want to thank the Board for their kind words. Good administration is a reflection of good policy, and it’s always easier to do that when you have a Board that’s providing staff with good guidance and good policy to get things done. I thank the Village department heads and their staffs. Some people say we have an image problem, but I’ll tell you what, we have an excellent group of people that are getting a lot done every day, day in and day out, and I’m very proud of all of them.

Alex Tiahnybok:

Will this be summarized on the website, the process and the achievement itself?

Mike Pollocoff:

Yes, I was going to post it out.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

I’m going to recommend that we put the whole memo on it.
Mike Pollocoff:

We can do a PDF.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

On the website. You did an excellent explanation. The only thing is I don’t know where they got the figure 260,000 square feet on the back part of the first page. They’re talking the RecPlex is 260,000 square feet. I believe we have more than that.

Mike Pollocoff:

A little bit more. I think he was rounding. It’s about 268,000.

John Steinbrink:

The day they were out we were also hosting the National Wake Board Competition on Lake Andrea which was quite a sight to see out on that lake with all the participants from basically around the world. Some of the best in wake boarding trying to gain the points they needed for their placing out there. They were very impressed as well as the people in the rest of it. So it was just the all around part of the community in the functions we serve and the events, whether it’s the Danskin Triathlon or those things, there’s that extra in our community.

B. Consider Resolution No. 05-54 - Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of $1,260,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2005.

Kathy Goessl:

Mr. President, the purpose of this issue is to refund a 2007 maturity of the Village’s 1997 notes that have a redemption date of October 1, 2005. This note that we are refunding is actually over three different funds in the Village. The majority of it is in general government, with 73 percent of the maturity being general government debt. Ten percent is the sewer utility, and 17 percent is the water utility.

This is the estimated debt service schedule that we had last week. We did go out for sale today and it has changed slightly. We actually had to issue a little bit less debt. We did not get insurance on this debt, and I’ll explain that a little bit later. And then also we sold at a premium so this actual issue is actually $1,240,000. So the principal has dropped $20,000, and we took $20,000 off of 2012. And the interest went up slightly to $188,792. So this is the estimated schedule we had last week, and our actual sale was just slightly different than this estimate. This debt is spread over the three, the general fund, the sewer utility and the water utility.

The estimated rate when we initially went out we were estimated at 3.1 to a 3.78. And the actual rate came in at 3.625 to 3.7. We did get ratings from the ratings agencies again for this issue. Standard and Poors and Moody’s these are the ratings we had, A+ and an A1. These ratings are the same as we had the last time we issued in the spring.
This issue is not being insured because it’s bank qualified. Bank qualified means it gets better interest rates where the Village is not issuing more than $10 million worth of debt this year. That makes our debt bank qualified, thus giving us a lower interest rate automatically. And then also it’s a very small issue in the marketplace, and also insurance would not be cost effective.

So I’m looking for a roll call vote to be able to refinance this debt balloon payment, and we’re doing it at this point because the interest rates are actually going up over time, so this is probably the--this is the first time we can call it and the best time to call it as the interest rates are going up. I have Gene Schultz here from Pipe Jaffrey, our financial advisor on this issue, if you have any questions for me or for him.

Mike Pollocoff:

Kathy, could you repeat for me again what the rate was today?

Kathy Goessl:

The rates were 3.625 to 3.7. The overall debt interest rate on this issue over the next ten years is $188,792, which is up slightly from the estimate that we had.

Alex Tiahnybok:

The total amount, Kathleen, is $1.24 now?

Kathy Goessl:

Yes, it reduced by $20,000. It’s $1,240,000.

Alex Tiahnybok:

Could you go back to the slide that showed the origin of the components that led to that. Are those new shortages that we’re bonding for or is that something from the past?

Kathy Goessl:

We borrowed money back in 2005, and our 2005 amortization schedule has a balloon payment in 2007. And this is taking that balloon payment and spreading it over another ten years, so it’s actually repaying the debt. So we’re not borrowing any more money. We’re just paying off the debt and this money is used to pay off the debt.

Alex Tiahnybok:

So it’s not additional new debt?

Kathy Goessl:
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No, it’s not additional debt.

Alex Tiahnybok:

It’s refinancing the bond.

Kathy Goessl:

It’s refinancing the balloon that we had.

John Steinbrink:

Other comments or questions?

Jeff Lauer:

Just a question and I don’t know who it goes to. But is this like our fee or do we always use the same company, or how do you go about who we go through?

Kathy Goessl:

We’ve always used Piper Jaffrey. Before that Piper Jaffrey was US Bank. We’ve been using the same financial advisor for a number of years, so it has not gone out for bid.

Mike Pollocoff:

I might add Mr. Schultz here has been our financial advisor for quite a while, from Clayton Brown to Bank One to Piper Jaffrey. Mr. Schultz has provided with the Village with some, with what I feel when you look at the performance of how we’ve been able to finance our TID District, with excellent financial advice. In TIF 1 much to his loss of income we weren’t bonding most of those improvements for a short amount of time because we were paying cash for it. Some of that is due to the success of the district, but a lot of it was due to the nature of how Mr. Schultz got our debt structured so we were in and out of the debt area very quickly. We were actually cash flowing how we were paying for the improvements.

So we have used other firms. We’ve used Baird and Associates. One thing that I think the Village, and I know myself and Kathy appreciate his council, because we’re buying advice. A lot of places will tell you they’re going to give it to you for free, they say we’ll get this issue dumped for you at no cost, and then you’re paying on the back side when you get your true interest rate, plus the fees you’re paying more. So Gene gives us that and we know up front what our expenses are going to be. He’s always had the best interest of the Village at heart. Gene had a lot of municipal experience, too, before he got into this business. He was a comptroller and finance director for the City. So we have been out with another firm, and this has been a good working relationship for both the Village and hopefully for Mr. Schultz, too.

John Steinbrink:
I have to commend you and Kathy for the work you do with this and Gene for his help. Because a lot of communities that don’t go out and seek the best advice truly end up paying in the end and it’s very expensive and not a very responsible way of doing business. I think when you look at our financials, and one of those that was referred to earlier was the national recognition we received for our accounting practices, ties in with all this, and especially Kathy the way she takes care of things. So I think there’s very few communities that can at any point in time get a snapshot of their financial situation the way the Village can. I think that’s one of the things that allows us to be on the better side of all the interest rates and the decisions we make because it’s up to the minute.

**SERPE MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 05-54 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF $1,260,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2005; SECONDED BY KUMORKIEWICZ; ROLL CALL VOTE – STEINBRINK – YES; TIAHNYBOK – YES; KUMORKIEWICZ – YES; LAUER – YES; SERPE – YES; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

C. Receive Plan Commission Recommendation and Consider Resolution #05-52 for support of the Lakewood Neighborhood Plan.

Jean Werbie:

Mr. President and members of the Board, the Village of Pleasant Prairie has an extensive planning process, as Mr. Pollocoff indicated, and as you know we have adopted a comprehensive plan for the Village. As we move throughout the Village, however, we take it to the next, more detailed level of planning which is neighborhood planning. Neighborhood plans are a component of the Village’s comprehensive or master plan.

Neighborhood plans are based on geographical areas or neighborhoods as delineated in that plan. They’re intended to provide the Plan Commission, the Board, the staff and the residents with an early opportunity to review the future probable patterns of how land uses, road layouts and how facilities would service a particular neighborhood. Neighborhood plans take into account the compatibility of land uses, identify how future land divisions could occur, plans how access roadways to the land divisions could be provided, provides lot layouts, road layouts, parkways, open space areas, park areas, preservation areas, public community facilities, infrastructure improvements and municipal services to service an area. We feel that neighborhood planning is essential to the orderly growth of our community, and it establishes a framework as to how development should occur if and when it does occur.

Up on the slide is a copy of the Lakewood neighborhood. This neighborhood is bounded by Highway 31 on the west, bounded on the north by Highway 165 or 104th Street, Springbrook Road on the southeast. It’s an unusual shaped neighborhood. It’s a triangle. Typically they’re more of a rectangle or square, but this one is based on the arterial surrounding it and it’s more of a triangle shape.
On February 28, 2005, the Plan Commission approved Resolution #05-02. That supported the neighborhood plan as shown in Exhibit A with one exception. There is a multifamily area that was located east of Old Green Bay Road between 104th and 107th Streets, just east of the noted red area on the slide. The Plan Commission had requested that this area between 104th and 107th be re-evaluated by the staff and brought back at a later date for the Plan Commission's consideration. That reintroduction of a revised neighborhood plan was brought back to them at their last meeting.

The multifamily area generally located east of Old Green Bay Road has been re-evaluated and has been amended. It's been amended to reduce the number of condominium units from 32 four-unit buildings to 17 four-unit buildings, and an increase in the number of single family lots by 14 lots. So as you can see between Exhibit B and A, A was the original neighborhood plan that had initially been presented to the Plan Commission and the information had been held to discuss, showed a great deal number of 32 four-unit buildings, and at the request of the neighborhood as well as the Plan Commission that was reduced to 17 condominium units which would be closest to the State highway.

In Exhibit C that you have before you it includes the neighborhood plan as approved with that amendment introduced. The amendment reduces the number of residential units in the neighborhood from 710 to 664, and a net density of the neighborhood changes. It goes from 35,008 square feet per dwelling unit to 37,438 square feet per dwelling unit.

With respect to the overall land uses within this neighborhood plan, the total commercial area, and the commercial area is identified in red on the plan, is approximately 27 acres. The existing residential area is comprised of approximately 297 acres or approximately 297 existing residential units. Those are the areas that are identified in brown on the neighborhood plan. Proposed residential areas which are identified in yellow on the neighborhood plan, consist of 274 acres, and with that 367 residential units are proposed.

On the map floodplain comprises 11 acres, wetlands approximately 40 acres, existing right of way 107 acres, and proposed right of way 53 acres. This entire neighborhood is approximately 809 acres, and when it’s fully built out would contain approximately 664 residential units. Again, the purpose of the neighborhood plan is to set forth a framework or a guide as to how the development should occur if and when it occurs. The development will not occur unless there are willing property owners and developers that would like to see this land developed.

This is a matter that was before the Village Plan Commission. They adopted this plan and the staff and the Plan Commission are looking for the Village Board’s support for this neighborhood.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

I’d like to make a motion to adopt 05-52. We were all in the Planning Commission meeting and it was discussed. Consequently I make a motion to adopt 05-52.

Jeff Lauer:
I’ll second.

John Steinbrink:

We have a motion and a second by Jeff. Do you have a question?

Jeff Lauer:

Yes, I just have a question. It’s just a curiosity question, Jean. On one of the maps here it says house to be removed. Is that the developer doing that, that he bought the house and he’s going to tear it down? It’s on Item C.

Jean Werbie:

Is it along 104th Street? Yes, that house had been up for sale for a number of years, and the developer that bought it was really speculating when he purchased it. And at this time I believe it’s being rented, but the intent is that eventually that older house is going to be brought down so that the condominiums could be located there.

Jeff Lauer:

I think I know which house it is because I think that for sale sign has been there. Okay, thanks.

John Steinbrink:

We have a motion and a second. Any other discussion on this item?

Alex Tiahnybok:

In a general sense I support everything that’s being done. I’m still troubled by the impact on schools. Do I understand this correctly, Jean, that the potential additional impact is 279 additional students, or is that for the entire neighborhood plan on page 4?

Jean Werbie:

279 would be the total number of public school age children when it’s fully built out which includes the existing as well as future.

Alex Tiahnybok:

And it’s about 50 percent developed already based on the numbers so about half of that. Still, every time we approve one of these neighborhood plans I see more and more students. I’m just hoping this information is being indicated.
We do provide this directly to the Unified School District because at this point it’s still a plan. We have not yet had anybody submit a concept plan or put forth additional new development within this particular neighborhood, but I’m sure it’s going to be coming shortly.

John Steinbrink:

When you look at the Village’s budget I think if everybody took that conscious approach we’d be in a better position.

Mike Serpe:

Just to follow up on that, John. If I’m not mistaken, Jean correct me if I’m wrong, I think the Village of Pleasant Prairie provides 12 percent of the students to the District and pays 25 percent of their budget. Secondly, the formula used to calculate how many students coming from a development is in this case they use the same for condominiums. Unless I’m wrong again, condominiums usually don’t produce that many school age children, but the formula is still used.

John Steinbrink:

We have a motion and a second.

**UMORKIEWICZ MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #05-52 FOR SUPPORT OF THE LAKEWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN; SECONDED BY LAUER; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

D. Receive Plan Commission Recommendation and Consider a Ord.# 05-39 Zoning Map Amendment and a Revised Conceptual Plan at the request of Lance Skala of CenterPoint WisPark Land Company LLC, property owner, for an approximate 3 acre parcel located at the southeast corner of 116th Street and 88th Avenue, from A-4, Agricultural Land Holding District to M-1, Limited Manufacturing District.

Jean Werbie:

Mr. President and members of the Board, CenterPoint WisPark Land Company LLC is requesting a zoning map amendment. They’re requesting to rezone an approximately three acre parcel of land which is located at the southeast corner of 116th Street and 88th Avenue. The property is identified as Tax Parcel Number 92-4-122-332-0200.

The proposed rezoning would be from the existing A-4, which is an Agricultural Land Holding District, to an M-1, Limited Manufacturing District. Specifically, this land would be incorporated into the existing lands that this current petitioner owns that surrounds it to the east and to the south. Current zoned lands both to the north as well as to the west are M-1, Limited Manufacturing District. To the south of this property, as you can see on the overhead, is M-1, and then there’s some A-2, which is General Agricultural District, with some C-1, which is Lowland Resource Conservancy District, typically wetlands, lowlands, primary corridor that
wraps around it. And then further to the south of that is residential land uses and residential zoning.

This is a slide of the existing aerial photograph for this particular property. Currently there is a house and a garage that are on the property. It’s the intention of the petitioner eventually to either move, relocate or raze these two structures and incorporate this three acre parcel into a larger land development that they currently are working on.

On November 15, 2004, the Village Board conditionally approved a conceptual plan. Proposed improvements are all located north of the 150 foot wide WE Energies power line. Three buildings and associated site improvements have been identified. At the time that they had presented this concept plan the largest building, which is to the east, was approximately 480,000 square feet. There were two smaller buildings that they were proposing on the property those of which would be 60,000 square feet. Again, immediately to the south is this 150 foot wide WEPCo easement where the tower lines are located. And then, again, pond and conservancy and some ag land further to the south of that.

The proposed revised conceptual plan with this requested rezoning was to incorporate this three acre property into the conceptual plan that was approved last November which was a 55 acre development. The northernmost 60,000 square foot building has then been increased in size to approximately 110,000 square feet. And in addition the existing storm water basins that were previously shown will probably need to be increased in size just slightly, and the parking area also would need to be increased in order to accommodate this additional building.

So with that the staff recommends approval of Ordinance #05-39 which is a zoning map amendment to rezone the subject property from the A-4, Landholding District, to the M-1, Limited Manufacturing District. Again, a revised conceptual plan would be approved that goes along with this requested rezoning.

John Steinbrink:

This being an item presented to us at the Planning Commission meeting and a public hearing was held.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

I make a motion to adopt Ordinance 05-39.

Alex Tiahnybok:

I’ll second and I have a question. This is adjacent to the land that was of concern to neighbors that was rezoned from agricultural to M-1, correct?

Jean Werbie:

Yes.
Alex Tiahnybok:

This is that corner piece that’s left over?

Jean Werbie:

Yes.

Alex Tiahnybok:

This was owned by the Nixon family. They’ve sold to WisPark now and vacated, is that correct?

Jean Werbie:

Yes, that’s correct. Actually CenterPoint WisPark Land Company, LLC.

Alex Tiahnybok:

There is a house on the property?

Jean Werbie:

Yes.

Alex Tiahnybok:

Once the rezoning is done that house becomes nonconforming?

Jean Werbie:

Correct.

Alex Tiahnybok:

And needs to be removed. It can’t be improved, correct?

Jean Werbie:

It can exist as it currently is today, and as long as that use is not discontinued for more than 12 months it can be continued to be used as a house. My understanding from the petitioner is it’s their intent to either raze it or relocated it in short order in order to start working on the next phases of whether they’re putting up spec buildings or working on the property where they would like to do some land movement.

Alex Tiahnybok:
And land to the north and to the west is all M currently, too, correct?

Jean Werbie:

Correct.

Alex Tiahnybok:

I have no further questions. It makes sense.

John Steinbrink:

We have a motion and a second. Any other discussion on this item? Those in favor?

KUMORKIEWICZ MOVED TO CONCUR WITH THE PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION AND ADOPT ORD.# 05-39 ZONING MAP AMENDMENT AND A REVISED CONCEPTUAL PLAN AT THE REQUEST OF LANCE SKALA OF CENTERPOINT WISPARK LAND COMPANY LLC, PROPERTY OWNER, FOR AN APPROXIMATE 3 ACRE PARCEL LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF 116TH STREET AND 88TH AVENUE, FROM A-4, AGRICULTURAL LAND HOLDING DISTRICT TO M-1, LIMITED MANUFACTURING DISTRICT; SECONDED BY TIAHNYBOK; MOTION CARRIED 5-0/

E. Receive Plan Commission Recommendation and Consider Resolution #05-53 for approval of a Preliminary Plat for the request of Mark Eberle, P.E. of Nielsen Madsen and Barber, agent for Quinton and Lisa Ackerman owners of the property located at 1804 116th Street for the proposed 12 single family lot subdivision to be known as Kings Cove Subdivision.

F. Receive Plan Commission Recommendation and Consider Ord. #05-40 for a Zoning Map Amendment for the request of Mark Eberle, P.E. of Nielsen Madsen and Barber, agent for Quinton and Lisa Ackerman owners of the property located at 1804 116th Street to rezone Lots 1 through 12 and the adjacent right-of-way into the R-4, Urban Single Family Residential District; Outlot 1 into the PR-1, Park and Recreational District; and Outlot 2 to remain in the R-4, (UHO) Urban Single Family Residential District of the proposed Kings Cove Subdivision.

Jean Werbie:

Mr. President, my presentation will actually be for the Village Board to consider both Resolution 05-53, which is to consider the approval of the preliminary plat, and Ordinance #05-40, which is to consider the zoning map amendment. I would ask that both items be taken up at this time so I can make the presentation, however separate action would be needed on both items. So I can speak on both items?

John Steinbrink:
Jean Werbie:

The Tobin Road Neighborhood Plan. The Kings Cove conceptual plan and proposed preliminary plat is in compliance with the neighborhood plan that was approved by the Plan Commission on May 24, 2004. Again, the staff supports neighborhood plans because it helps to direct and guide any future development when and if it does occur. The proposed neighborhood plan for Tobin Road is generally located between 104th Street on the north, 116th Street on the south. We’ve got Sheridan Road on the east and approximately the Kenosha County Bike Trail or 32nd Avenue is on the west.

The proposed development consists of 10.01 acres of land. It’s located in the south/central portion of the Tobin Road neighborhood. As you know, the Tobin Creek development is just to the east, and this development actually will interconnect into that development as well as to 116th Street. 4.3 acres of the land would be developed with 12 single family lots; 1.96 acres of land will be used for public right of way; 2.83 acres will be designated as open space. Outlot 2, which is .84 acre, is being created for future single family development to the north of Tobin Creek, and that’s the triangle piece that’s just north of the creek, actually towards the north. The average single family lot is 15,883 square feet so just over a third of an acre in size. The net density 1.67 units per acre.

Within this development there is a small wooded area that’s actually adjacent to either side of the Tobin Creek which traverses the northern portion of the property. A dedicated woodland conservancy access and maintenance easement is being provided on the south side of the Tobin Creek. A number of trees over eight inches are proposed to be removed as shown on the grading and drainage plan on the north side of the creek. I'll explain that in just a minute.

With respect to storm water management on this particular property, the 100 year floodplain in the area has not been yet delineated as a result of a preliminary floodplain study that was undertaken to establish the 100 year floodplain elevations along the Tobin Creek. Some finished yard grades and top of foundation elevations have been established which are based on a draft floodplain study that was prepared by Hey and Associates. The retention basin on the south side of Tobin Creek, a storm water detention area, is proposed on the north side of Tobin Creek. So basically they have a retention basin on one side, and then based on the floodplain study they’re required to add an additional basin on the north side. So they actually have additional protection on both sides of the creek. The trees on the north side will have to be removed in order to accommodate where the study identifies that additional storm water needs to handle that additional potential flooding that may occur.

With respect to site access, Kings Cove will connect to Tobin Creek Subdivision at 112th Street. Again, this is on the south side of the development. It will connect at 18th Avenue, and just to the south of this development is the lighthouse point development and now both of these developments will connect at 18th Avenue and the streets will align. The 115th Street required public improvements shall be constructed when additional land to the west of the development is proposed to be developed.
Specifically, we’ve got a situation right here, and we talked about this previously on another item on the agenda, is that the property owner that lives to the west of Kings Cove made a point very strong and clear to the Plan Commission and the Board that he was not likely to develop his land anytime in the near future. I think he used the words never. But what we’d like to do is to accommodate when and if that development occurs that there is dedicated right of way that has been provided to access the back of this property. So the currently developer of Kings Cove will not be required to put in these public improvements, but it will be required at a future date and time by the adjacent landowner when and if he would like to put in those improvements. That does not give the opportunity to either one of these landowners to utilize that as a public road right of way with respect to parking of vehicles or to use it for side yards or for additional land for their property. It’s intended that that land will be dedicated to the Village for public right of way.

The second part of their request this evening is the rezoning of the property to match or mirror the preliminary plat that’s been proposed. The single family lots are proposed to be zoned into the R-4, Urban Single Family Residential District. This means that the lots have to have a minimum of 15,000 square feet in area and 90 feet of road frontage on a public road. Outlot 1 is proposed to be zoned PR-1, and then the balance of the land, which is that Outlot 2, is identified as an R-4 but with a UHO. A UHO reflects an Urban Landholding Overlay District What it means is that basically urban infrastructure such as sewer and water and roadways are not available to that particular UHO property, and so we’ll leave it in that designation until those services are available from the north to service that particular land area.

With that this is a request for both a preliminary plat and the zoning map amendment for Kings Cove. This was a matter of public hearing before the Plan Commission, and the Plan Commission and the staff recommended approval subject to all of the comments and conditions as outlined in the staff memorandums before you. You have two resolutions. The first resolution is for the preliminary plat and that is Resolution #05-53, and the second is the zoning map amendment and that is Ordinance #05-40.

John Steinbrink:

Thank you, Jean. We will act first on Item E which is 05-53.

LAUER MOVED TO CONCUR WITH THE PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #05-53 FOR APPROVAL OF A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR THE REQUEST OF MARK EBERLE, P.E. OF NIELSEN MADSEN AND BARBER, AGENT FOR QUINTON AND LISA ACKERMAN OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1804 116TH STREET FOR THE PROPOSED 12 SINGLE FAMILY LOT SUBDIVISION TO BE KNOWN AS KINGS COVE SUBDIVISION; SECONDED BY SERPE; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

John Steinbrink:
Well move onto Item F which you’ve already gone through and was discussed at the Planning Commission, and that is for Ordinance #05-40, the zoning map amendment.

Mike Serpe:

Move approval of 05-40.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

Motion and a second on 05-40. Is there any discussion on this item?

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

I have one question. Jean, that dedicated section over there for a street, that’s . . . the same property?

Jean Werbie:

Yes.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

That means if he never sells that property that road is never going to be open?

Mike Pollocoff:

Right.

Jean Werbie:

If he chooses not to develop his property then 115th Street would not be constructed.

John Steinbrink:

And the issue of Mr. Fontaine’s driveway that’s been resolved?

Jean Werbie:

Yes.

SERPE MOVED TO CONCUR WITH THE PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION AND ADOPT ORD. #05-40 FOR A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FOR
THE REQUEST OF MARK EBERLE, P.E. OF NIELSEN MADSEN AND BARBER, AGENT FOR QUINTON AND LISA ACKERMAN OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1804 116TH STREET TO REZONE LOTS 1 THROUGH 12 AND THE ADJACENT RIGHT-OF-WAY INTO THE R-4, URBAN SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; OUTLOT 1 INTO THE PR-1, PARK AND RECREATIONAL DISTRICT; AND OUTLOT 2 TO REMAIN IN THE R-4, (UHO) URBAN SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT OF THE PROPOSED KINGS COVE SUBDIVISION; SECONDED BY KUMORKIEWICZ; MOTION CARRIED 5-0

G. Receive Plan Commission Recommendation and Consider the request of John Dulec agent for A-Life II, LLC owners for approval of the Certified Survey Map to subdivide the property located at 9101 39th Avenue into two (2) properties.

Jean Werbie:

Mr. President, the petitioner is requesting to subdivide their property located at 9101 39th Avenue into two properties. The property is currently zoned R-4, UHO Urban Single Family Residential District with an Urban Landholding Overlay District. The R-4 District requires that all lots in that District me a minimum of 15,000 square feet with 90 feet of frontage on a public road.

Lot 1, as requested, is proposed to have 20,496 square feet and 95.84 feet of frontage on the public road. Lot 2 is also proposed to be 20,496 square feet with 98.84 feet of frontage on the public road. Lot 2 currently has an existing house with an attached garage. An addition to this home is currently under construction. The home on Lot 2 is classified as a legal but nonconforming structure. A permit was issued on August 22, 2005 to construct an addition on the north and south sides of this existing nonconforming house. The additions shall meet the required setback, and to a County Trunk Highway the required setback is 65 feet. They are also required to dedicate the appropriate right of way for a future widening of 39th Avenue or County Trunk Highway EZ.

Upon approval and recording of the CSM, the addition will also be classified as a legal but nonconforming structure. The petitioner is required to provide a recorded copy of the certified survey map back to the Village within 30 days. Both the staff and the Plan Commission recommended approval subject to the three comments as outlined by staff.
John Steinbrink:

Thank you, Jean.

KUMORKIEWICZ MOVED TO CONCUR WITH THE PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVE THE REQUEST OF JOHN DULEC AGENT FOR A-LIFE II, LLC OWNERS FOR APPROVAL OF THE CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP TO SUBDIVIDE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 9101 39TH AVENUE INTO TWO (2) PROPERTIES; SECONDED BY TIAHNYBOK; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

H. Consider an Agreement with The Nature Conservancy of Wisconsin for the management of the Village-owned lands in the Chiwaukee Prairie.

Jean Werbie:

Mr. President, the staff received a request from the Nature Conservancy of Wisconsin to enter into a management agreement between the Conservancy and the Village of Pleasant Prairie. Specifically, the Nature Conservancy, which is a nonprofit corporation, is requesting to manage the Village owned lands which is approximately ten acres south of 116th Street as part of their Chiwaukee Prairie Management activities.

The property is very unique to Wisconsin and the area. The Chiwaukee Prairie Nature Preserve contains many examples of outstanding prairie, natural communities and endangered species, and they feel that it would be in the best interest of the prairie as well as their efforts and our efforts to maintain that prairie if they could continue to do their brushing and burning and controlled activities by incorporating the Village’s properties into that area.

It’s a little hard to see on the colored map, but there are a couple of areas that the Village owns. One is a very small park towards the north central, and then there’s another park area. It’s identified as park and I use that term very loosely. There are no active amenities by any means in this particular area. And then there’s a drainageway that connects the Village owned land.

This management agreement was presented to the Park Commission at their last meeting, and there were some comments and modifications that they had requested that we insert into the agreement, and I think I captured all those agreement matters. Specifically there was some concerns with respect to insurance and the listing of all the appropriate parties and who the contacts would be, as well as some information that was added to provide notification to abutting and adjacent landowners before management activities would occur each year.

And, in particular, I think the burning activities would be the ones of most concern of the residents down in the Chiwaukee Prairie. I also added a provision that the conservancy agrees to accommodate the adjacent and abutting residents who have been notified by the Conservancy, who have notified the Conservancy, of any respiratory issues that they would have that relate to those prescribed burns. So we want to make sure the residents that do live in proximity to this area that they’re made aware of what’s going on and when it’s going to be on and if there are
particular issues that they have that the Nature Conservancy is well aware of those health related issues that someone might have.

Mike Serpe:

Maybe to Mike, what is the benefit of the Village owning these parcels?

Mike Pollocoff:

They’re open space. With respect to the Chiwaukee Prairie Comprehensive Land Use Plan, it was a vision that Pleasant Prairie would retain ownership of the public parks as really our leverage on assuring that all the parties complied with the plan. At the point the Village was happy that the plan had been successfully implemented we would either dedicate them to the Nature Conservancy if it’s south of 116th Street or the DNR north of 116th Street. The working relationship with the Nature Conservancy has really been very good over the years. I think that if we wanted to dedicate those to the Conservancy we could, but it’s my recommendation to wait until we vacate those public right of ways that surround those parks, because there’s a legal issue that someone who has a parcel of land, even though there’s not a road there, that that amenity has been vacated from public ownership. But right now, as Jean indicated, these parcels aren’t being used by us for recreational purposes at all.

And I do think the one issue that we have with burning, and it’s not so much with the Nature Conservancy because they do a good job of managing their land, is the smoke from burning. If the land hasn’t been maintained, the people who have problems breathing and respiratory problems it’s difficult for them when a burn starts. And if it’s something that can be controlled--and sometimes the train decides when we’re going to burn, but if it’s a matter of when it’s planned to burn and somebody does have those problems they can at least get out of there or find a way to give them an alternative.

Alex Tiahnybok:

I sit on the Parks Commission and this whole issue was discussed at our last meeting. Based on the information that was presented at that Commission meeting, it looks like the north parcel has no residential development immediately adjacent to it.

Jean Werbie:

Right.

Alex Tiahnybok:

So there was little concern about the handling of that parcel. I believe the middle parcel does have some residential development immediately adjacent to it, and it’s clear that Jean was informed of the conditions and recommendations that the Parks Commission included in terms of notification, etc.
There was one issue that was brought up and I think it’s worthwhile commenting on, and that is some of these parcels do have a fair amount of natural growth, forestation or whatever, and I’m totally in favor of leaving the control of these areas to experts like the Nature Conservancy. But, at the same time, these three parcels, if they have residential use immediately adjacent to them, my concern is if there are a lot of trees or whatever that are deemed not suitable to the environment it could affect the view of those residents that live immediately adjacent. So I’d at least like some kind of notification to those residences that are adjacent to those properties of the intentions and give them a chance to respond in a forum like this if there’s a goal to clear it out or something like that.

Jean Werbie:

Typically what has happened, at least with the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is that every spring Marty Johnson has a meeting with Mike and I and he sets forth the management plan on what they plan to do that year and then into the next year and then we update that. And I’ll just ask the Nature Conservancy to do the same. What we’ll do is we’ll post that to the website, and when they get the original notices out to the neighbors they can let them know what they plan to do in those areas. Because they intend to cut down non-native brush and trees, especially non-native buckthorn, controlling invasive plants, cutting down and cutting back additional buckthorn and non-native materials, doing prescribed burns and doing seed collecting. So they intend to do a variety of different things, and it would be good for the residents that live in that area to know what might be taking place on those properties.

The other thing I wanted to mention is this agreement would be in effect for five years unless either party would like to terminate it for some reason.

Mike Pollocoff:

Alex brings up a good point and I want to make sure it doesn’t get lost. If we’re going to approve this, it should be contingent upon a hearing or a meeting being held with the affected property owners. What will happen is they’re going to go in and cut the trees down, or they’re going to girdle them. If they girdle them, it’s going to be a while and all of a sudden they’re going to be dead. The Nature Conservancy has just let trees go down and sit. They don’t cut them up and haul them out. So if they go out there and girdle a tree it will be alive for a while, then after a while it will be dead, and I think everybody needs to know what their intent is in this and understand it before it happens. So if we approve this, it should be contingent upon having that meeting. But if the people in that meeting tell the Village do whatever you want to do or let the Nature Conservancy do whatever they’re going to do but don’t cut the trees down, I guess we should know that because this agreement will let them cut the trees down or girdle it or do whatever.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

I look at the Nature Conservancy and the DNR, and there is no question the Nature Conservancy is going to do a better job. I’d take them before the DNR. The DNR is 15 miles away from here doesn’t know what’s going on. But we have people in the Nature Conservancy who are members that live right there in Carol Beach. I think it’s an excellent idea including the comment made by
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Alex here. So I think I’m going to make a motion to approve the agreement with the Nature Conservancy of Wisconsin.

John Steinbrink:

And subject to the concerns Alex brought up.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

Yes, that included.

Alex Tiahnybok:

I second it.

John Steinbrink:

Motion by Steve and second by Alex. Further discussion?

Jeff Lauer:

Just so I understand it, does that mean if the citizens have comments we’ll have an open forum for that? My concern is if the Nature group does something and we don’t have ourselves protected that the residents are going to come to us, and if our hands are tied we can’t do anything.

Mike Pollocoff:

The motion as it reads, the motion and second, is that we authorize the Village President to enter into an agreement subject to having a hearing. But that doesn’t control the results of the hearing. So it depends on what the Board wants. If you want to approve this agreement and amend it so that trees are excluded, or if you want to table it until after a hearing is held so people know what’s going to happen, but right now that’s really your pick. But I think the agreement before you tonight allows the Conservancy to cut the trees down or do whatever with them after they’ve had the hearing. But in the hearing if you get people coming in saying we don’t want the trees cut down, the Board has already signed the agreement saying that they can cut them down.

Alex Tiahnybok:

Can we amend the motion to include a public hearing component?

Mike Pollocoff:

Sure, but you’re still approving the agreement.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:
I think maybe we better table the resolution.

Mike Pollocoff:

I think what you’re saying is you want people to find out about. The Board may still vote to say the trees are out of here because that’s a good land use practice in the prairie, but otherwise you’re giving the people their say after it’s already been done.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

So we should table this after a public hearing and then vote on the resolution. I make a motion to table this.

John Steinbrink:

We have a motion and a second if the author chooses to withdraw.

Alex Tiahnybok:

I withdraw the second.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

Then I’ll make another motion now to consider the resolution after the public hearing is held.

Alex Tiahnybok:

Explaining the intent of what’s going to be done.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

Yes.

Jane Romanowski:

This won’t come back at the next meeting then, right?

Mike Pollocoff:

It won’t come back, as I understand the motion, until we have the hearing.

Jane Romanowski:

So it should be postponed and not tabled?

Mike Pollocoff:
Do you want to have that hearing before the Board, or do you just want to have it with staff from the Park Commission? Or, you can have it with staff from the Nature Conservancy. Whatever your pleasure is.

John Steinbrink:

I think the Park Commission and the Nature Conservancy so both are involved.

Jane Romanowski:

So the motion will be to postpone because tabling will bring it back to the next meeting?

Mike Pollocoff:

Yes, right.

KUMORKIEWICZ MOVED TO POSTPONE CONSIDERATION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NATURE CONSERVANCY OF WISCONSIN FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE VILLAGE-OWNED LANDS IN THE CHIWAUKEE PRAIRIE UNTIL A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE AFFECTED RESIDENTS IS HELD; SECONDED BY TIAHNYBOK; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

I. Consider Award of Contract to modify the Valve Control Systems to the Village’s elevated water storage towers.

Bob Martin:

Mr. President and Board members, before you tonight is an agreement from the firm of Bonestroo & Associates which essentially the water utility has looked at the altitude valves. I’ll just give you a brief explanation of that. Altitude valves are generally placed at the water tower with a sensing device so that if it sense low pressure it will open a valve and let the water in and vice versa when it gets high pressure it will shut it off. So you can automatically level the towers throughout the Village and you don’t have to open valves manually and so on, so that’s really kind of the purpose.

A little brief history, back in September of last year the Village switched to a completely different way of managing water, and everything is pumped from Kenosha to our reservoir and booster station on Sheridan Road, and then everything gets . . . from that point out into the distribution system for the Village. And there are a couple of emergency meters. Should something happen with that system we get emergency water from Kenosha and other places. So that’s kind of the history of that.

Along with those changes came some previous modifications to the distribution system. We’re one-on-one pressure zone. So at one time that was not true. There was 40 feet cut out of one of the elevated towers, and that allowed us to go to a single pressure zone. That has some benefits. So that’s been a part of all this. We’re going through looking at electrical usage so we can
economize. It’s a whole new system for the Village. So we’re in a tweaking mode now trying to get some refinement.

There is a proposed elevated water tower within the TID District also, and that has to be evaluated which will be incorporated with these improvements so we can look into the future. If there’s additional storage needed that will be with another tower at some location, and then that plays into these altitude valves, where they will be placed. Right now our controlling tower is 104th. That will be moved out to the I. Again, it’s all just part of an evolution of changes and modifications and kind of tweaking of the system to get economies within pumping and operational parameters of the system itself.

The fee proposed is $7,500, and that’s essentially to prepare the specifications, drawings for the altitude valves, and they are going to be looking at the system through a model so we can determine what other changes may be made. With that, I’d be happy to answer any questions.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

I have a question for Bob. Bob, right now the level of the water through the whole Village in the tanks are the same as the sea level, so many feet above sea level, right?

Bob Martin:

That’s correct.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

So what you’re proposing right now is some of those towers will have a different elevation?

Bob Martin:

Some of them are in need of adjustment or replacement. There’s one elevated tower that actually the overflow is a couple feet higher. So we probably don’t need an altitude valve there. And when you have a mechanical thing in place you probably don’t want it there if you absolutely don’t need it. And the other ones are just for modifications to the system.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

So they will be all the same, equalizing pressure.

Bob Martin:

That’s correct.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

Equalizing pressure. Thank you.
Mike Serpe:

Bob, once this is all in place and it’s working, how many man hours will this save as far as your group or the utilities checking on these towers?

Bob Martin:

Again, I think there’s been some operational issues, minor ones, with overflows and that’s due to minor adjustments. I think overall it’s going to save more on the economy, more for the efficiency of the system than probably--the people still have to go out and check to make sure everything is functional on a routine basis. I don’t know that that will change, but certainly if there’s responses to overflows and that sort of thing they won’t have that. So it would save in those types of situations.

Mike Pollocoff:

I think the real efficiency for the utility is that part of our expenses which is purchasing water, the labor and the electricity. Having these things cycled out so we efficiently adjust the pressure in the system at the times when it’s least expensive for the Village to operate our pumps is where we want to be. So that’s really the operational savings for us from a cost standpoint. The other benefit for us is maintaining the pressures at optimum levels for fire protection and just for operation of the utility so it’s operating just the way we want. I think we have a lot of the supervisory and control data acquisition system in place to manage this, but these altitude valves are the final piece.

Mike Serpe:

Does the City have this in place?

Mike Pollocoff:

I think they might have it in places. The City is different than us. They have four or five pressure zones. I forget. So what they do is they have a tank, boost to another tank, boost to another tank, and that’s because the City has grown over time. It’s a lot older system than ours. Ours is newer where we fill one tank and then we boost out to the entire system. So what Bob is talking about doing is adjusting the Sheridan Road and 165 tower or tank that’s going to boost out to I-94. The best way it’s been explained to me is you can draw a straight line from 165 and Sheridan out to the top of the tower on I-94 and 165. That’s where we’re going to be filling to. We’ll fill everything else up along with it, but that’s the control tower. So in our system, because it’s newer, it operates in symphony amongst everything without having those redundant where you pay to push water again and again and again and again.

Mike Serpe:

Sounds good. I would move approval of the contract.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:
Second.

John Steinbrink:

Motion by Mike and second by Steve. Any further discussion?

Jeff Lauer:

Just one question. I don’t know if it’s for you, Bob. But for your handout for B-1, these rates are adjusted annually, is this an annual cost to the Village or is this just a one-time cost?

Bob Martin:

One-time.

Jeff Lauer:

So you just have that as a disclaimer. I just wanted to make sure.

Mike Pollocoff:

It’s a TIF expenditure. It’s part of the TIF District.

Bob Martin:

I just want to throw in something. Mike, you brought up a point. The single pressure zone probably has the distinct advantage that you can’t circulate water as easily with pressure zones. You can become restrictive, and it’s good to be in an operation where you can back feed and so on. But when you start zoning off, you’re restricted because essentially what you’re doing is you have one-way valves. That’s what the zones are. They allow either a high amount of pressure to go into a zone where you can’t take high pressure and then you can’t back feed with any higher pressure. So you’ve created a pocket essentially. So we’re much better off in the long run to have and keep just a single pressure zone.

John Steinbrink:

Thanks, Bob. Motion and a second. Any further discussion? Those in favor?

*SERPE MOVED TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO BONESTROO & ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF $7,000 TO PREPARE THE SPECIFICATIONS TO MODIFY THE VALVE CONTROL SYSTEMS TO THE VILLAGE’S ELEVATED WATER STORAGE TOWERS; SECONDED BY KUMORKIEWICZ; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.*

F. Consider Authorization to Exercise a Federal Grant to Purchase Vehicle Exhaust Removal Systems for both Fire & Rescue Stations.
Chief Guilbert:

Mr. President, I’m Paul Guilbert, Jr. I’m the Chief of Fire and Rescue. I work at 8044 88th Avenue, Fire Station 2. Just before I give you this report, if you’d give me just a minute to say that myself and many of my fellow department heads moved here to take our positions. Some of us have lived here long enough to call this home. This past spring when Jane passed out the booklet on WAME and each of us reviewed that book, it became obvious that not only was this going to be an evaluation of the community, but it was going to be an audit of our departments. So when they came in here and completed that review here recently and to hear Mike make the announcement here tonight that we did receive that WAME award, it makes me just that much prouder to wear the words Pleasant Prairie on my shoulder. I know it’s just a great feeling to be a member of such a team.

The Fire and Rescue Department competed twice now, most recently last year, in a competitive grant to receive an award to put a vehicle exhaust system within our fire stations. And we compete with every single fire department in the United States. To win that award you’re reviewed by your peers. No everyone can receive those awards so we’ve been very fortunate on two occasions. The purpose is to enhance the safety of our personnel working in both fire stations as well as anybody that visits those fire stations.

The 2002 grant we received was the purchase of the most modern breathing apparatus available. It was a 10/90 matching grant which meant the Village of Pleasant Prairie paid 9 percent and the federal government gave us the remaining 90 percent, a very significant contribution to the community.

The 2004 grant to purchase vehicle emission systems is a 20/80 grant. The Village will pay 20 percent and the federal government will give us 80 percent. The purpose of this system just goes hand-in-hand with a number of programs that we’ve put in place since 1987. Since 1987 every member of the fire and rescue department has had an entry level physical for national standards, and that’s to determine that they’re physically fit and healthy when they become firefighters. Our members sign no smoking agreements so that they won’t smoke or chew. They won’t use any tobacco products. We’re the only industry in the State of Wisconsin that can tell their employees they can’t use smoking products or chewing tobacco. There’s no smoking within any Village building and there’s no smoking within the fire and rescue vehicles.

To protect their people as they work and sleep, we have carbon monoxide detectors per national standards in both stations. In 2002 we gave them new breathing apparatus. And, finally, to come full circle we’ll have a vehicle exhaust removal system that will take those known products that can cause cancer and remove those from the stations where people work and visit.

We had three members of the department on a committee that visited a number of fire departments in the area. They went to Waukegan, Illinois, Racine and Oak Creek, Wisconsin. Each of these communities, each of these fire departments, operate three different vehicle exhaust systems, so we were able to travel a very short distance and see the major manufacturers. They talked with the chief officers to determine how much the costs were, how effective the systems are, what the costs are to maintain those systems. And they talked with the firefighters and the vehicle operators to see how the systems were, were they easy to use, were they difficult to use.
Did they release from the fire engines and the ambulances as you left the building? How was it to reconnect them?

They came back and provided me with a report. The system that they recommended is called a PlymoVent. It’s from Edison, New Jersey. And what they liked about the equipment is that the hose and collar like you see in the picture provided a very tight seal they believed was the tightest seal, and the documentation we received proves that out. It’s a very smooth release and return, which means when the vehicle leaves it’s ejected from the vehicle and it comes back into the building very smoothly and efficiently. It’s very important for us, because if you visit either one of our fire stations we are absolutely packed. The downstairs fire station really has four bays, yet we have six pieces of equipment in there. At Station 2 we have six bays but we’re using six bays and we took a boat off of the corner, so it’s very important to us that the system we choose is going to work within those confines.

And then the other thing that’s important to us is that it can be used by our mutual aid departments when they come into our stations. The PlymoVent unit is being used by 400 fire departments in Wisconsin and Illinois, and they have almost 1,500 vehicles connected to those 400 systems.

We created an RFP that was circulated to three of the distributors in the area: Hastings Air-Energy Control of New Berlin, Wisconsin; TNC Industries of New Hope, Minnesota; and Russ Carter & Associates in St. Louis, Missouri, with the low bid, successful bid and the distributor that closely resembled our RFP was Hastings from New Berlin at $95,670.

So it’s my recommendation that we take the bid from Hastings Air-Energy Control in New Berlin. The federal share of the grant of 80 percent is $76,536. The Village share is $19,134 or a total of $95,670, which is under the amount allotted by FEMA. And with that I ask for Village Board Approval.

Mike Serpe:

Chief, when you return to the station, does that hose go onto the exhaust before you back it into the garage?
Chief Guilbert:

Yes, it does. It comes out on a track. One of the firefighters reconnects it to the vehicle, and then it follows the vehicle back into the building.

Mike Serpe:

And then it’s just exhausted into the open air outside?

Chief Guilbert:

Yes, it is. It’s just not allowed to accumulate into the building.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

Chief, the exhaust to the atmosphere is as it is or does it go through filters? Does it go through filters or does it go right to the air?

Chief Guilbert:

No, sir, it goes right to the outside. There are no filters. We looked at some systems that filtered. They require a lot of attention every several months and those filters are quite expensive.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

I like the system because it’s right here in the State in New Berlin. I’ve been there in the area. It’s about an hour from here. So any problem that we have is easily solved right in the area.

Alex Tiahnybok:

This is a system like what you’d see at an auto shop where it’s basically a pipe that sends the exhaust fumes to the outside, correct?

Chief Guilbert:

Yes.

Alex Tiahnybok:

Is the motivation because the vehicles spend a lot of time idling in the station with the doors closed, or is it just because of the exhaust that occurs during the in and outs? Maybe I’m not quite following why this is important.
Chief Guilbert:

If you’ve ever watched the City bus pick somebody up at the street corner and then they accelerate, or a tractor trailer truck accelerating from an intersection, you see that large puff of black exhaust. Those materials are something that the firefighters or the visitors breath. It also makes the inside of the building—it’s accumulated all over. So it will take that and remove it from the building.

Mike Pollocoff:

The other thing, Chief, is basically it’s the same engine. That’s the same kind of engines we have in the motors we have in the fire engines. They’re made to run and run and run and run, idle for a long time. When they take off they do put out a healthy cloud. The other thing the Chief didn’t mention is particular to the fire service the Village of Pleasant Prairie has been deemed responsible for any cases of cancer that a firefighter has. It’s an automatic presumption that their work caused the cancer. What that means is the Village is going to assume that expense. So that’s why, as the Chief has indicated, he’s gone through an extensive process to limit the exposure we have across the board, and this is one of the things. It’s not just Pleasant Prairie. Most departments are looking to reduce that exposure.

John Steinbrink:

And when a diesel motor first starts up that’s probably the worst time until that motor actually achieves its operating temperature where it actually really operates efficiently and spews out less byproducts. So your first start up is going to be the worst in the station.

Alex Tiahnybok:

I motion for approval.

Mike Serpe:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

Motion by Alex and second by Mike. Further discussion?

Jeff Lauer:

Just a question. Chief, are we going to retire any trucks getting these two, or is this just going to be in addition?
Chief Guilbert:

   When we receive the new pumper tanker in November the oldest vehicle in the fleet is going to
   be retired.

Jeff Lauer:

   This is good. I’d love to get two vehicles for that price. Thanks.

John Steinbrink:

   This is actually a system and not a vehicle, correct?

Chief Guilbert:

   A system to remove the exhaust, yes.

John Steinbrink:

   So it’s going to be used at both stations to remove it. How many hookups will there be at each
   station roughly, Chief?

Chief Guilbert:

   Six at Station 2 and five here.

John Steinbrink:

   We have a motion and a second.

   **TIAHNYBOK MOVED TO EXERCISE A FEDERAL GRANT AND AWARD A
   CONTRACT TO HASTINGS AIR-ENERGY CONTROL IN NEW BERLIN TO INSTALL
   VEHICLE EXHAUST REMOVAL SYSTEMS FOR BOTH FIRE & RESCUE STATIONS;
   SECONDED BY SERPE; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

K. Consider Resolution No. 05-55 - Resolution to Change the Meeting Times of the
   Village Board Meetings.

John Steinbrink:

   Joe, what time did you guys start when you start your meetings?

Joe Clark:

   7:30. The meetings go much longer.

Mike Serpe:
Mr. Chairman, I asked that Mike put this on the agenda for tonight. When we were meeting at five o’clock it was a convenient thing for the staff. It was convenient for the past Board. I know there were complaints from some Village residents that couldn’t make it here. So we changed it to 7:30. And then the Board meetings got longer and we’re getting out of here at midnight, and we’re the only ones here after 10:30 or 11:00, so actually changing to 7:30 was not probably a real good move.

The proposal tonight is to change it to 6:00. That will give, like a couple people have mentioned, a chance to get home from work, check on the family, have a little bite to eat and come to the meeting. I think that would be a very good compromise to start the meeting at 6 and still get out of here at a reasonable hour and still take into consideration the needs of the people and their desire to attend our meetings. That would be my recommendation. I’m sure others may have other thoughts.

Alex Tiahnybok:

It’s true that one of the campaign issues was meeting times, and I as happy to see the outgoing Board change the meeting times before Trustees Number 1 and 3 took office. The 7:30 time we had nothing to do with that. It was set by the outgoing Board. We probably would have never chosen 7:30 if it was up to us. But the motivation in the first place was I think the citizens of Pleasant Prairie want to see a good representation of the citizenry of Pleasant Prairie meaning some retired people, some people that are working. I for one work hard and have to work harder every year to pay my property taxes, and 5:00 definitely was not workable. Six o’clock I guess I’d be okay with. I’d prefer to see 6:30. It’s like you to consider that. So I’d like to make a friendly amendment to Mike’s proposal to 6:30.

Mike Serpe:

Can we talk about it? We’d be picking up an hour, and the way things have been going that gets us to 11:00, which is still to me getting a little late. Tonight is an easier agenda. Why 6:30? I’m just curious.

Alex Tiahnybok:

I work until five sometimes and I’m away. And an hour is pushing it sometimes for me. I can be down on the south side of Chicago at the end of the day and to make a 6:00 meeting means I have to get out at five exactly and that’s even tough. Again, I think the citizens want to see a broad representation. I, for one, am not retired so I don’t have as much flexibility as you do. As Don Hackbarth–

John Steinbrink:

Actually I don’t know if you get up as early as Mike does in the morning to go to work, because Mike does go to work at a fairly early hour.

Alex Tiahnybok:
I recognize that.

John Steinbrink:

I like to abuse him for being retired, too, but I’ve got to recognize his other.

Mike Serpe:

I really like the thought of 6:00. Let me just say this. Why don’t we do it and then review it again in a few months and let’s just see how it looks. And if it looks like 6:30 may be better than 6 we can always change that. That’s not a problem. I think 6:00 is probably a fair compromise to starting the Board. If you want to review it again in six or eight months from now or a year.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

Even three months.

Mike Serpe:

Like I said, there’s never any perfect time to start a meeting for everybody, so let’s start that.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

We can revise it again.

Jeff Lauer:

I know I talked to you about this. I would obviously love 6:30. That’s what I was hoping for a while back. I explained to you why 6:30 would be better just for the record. I told Mike we’re going through a computer conversion next year and I might be working seven days a week for about five straight months. I would love to see 6:30 if at all possible.

Alex Tiahnybok:

Winter is coming. It gets more difficult to get around sometimes. Just to sponge off of what Don Hackbarth said we’ve got to work together, so I’m hoping that this can be that compromise that he’s talking about.

Mike Serpe:

Could we review it again in the spring? I’ll just put it this way, after April we’ll review it again.
Steve Kumorkiewicz:

So go to 6:30 review it again?

Mike Serpe:

I don’t care. I’m okay with 7:30. But I’m thinking 6:00 would have been ideal.

Alex Tiahnybok:

Let’s be fair about this. Steve said it doesn’t make a difference to him. Jeff said 6:30 would be preferred. I said 6:30 would be preferred. So right now it looks like 6:30.

John Steinbrink:

We’ve basically covered just about every time there is. And every time we choose a time somebody is unhappy about it. So we can just keep rotating it, kind of a rotation at time and nobody sets into a groove that way or gets too comfortable.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

. . . the summer meetings and winter meetings.

John Steinbrink:

Then again the roads get more treacherous later at night at least the ones that aren’t plowed by the Village. Those crews stop plowing so if you have to travel any County roads then you run into problems.

Mike Serpe:

John, in the spirit of cooperation–

John Steinbrink:

Are you going to 6:15 now and split the difference?

Mike Serpe:

In the spirit of cooperation I move that we start the Board meetings at 6:30.

Steve Kumorkiewicz:

I second that.
SERPE MOVED ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 05-55 - RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE MEETING TIMES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING TO 6:30 P.M. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2005; SECONDED BY KUMORKIEWICZ; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

L. Set Trick or Treat Hours – Sunday, October 30, 2005 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Jane Romanowski:

Once again, this date and time mirrors the City of Kenosha. As we have in the past, the Board has set the hours because of the boundaries. I’ve gotten a lot of e-mails and a lot of calls, so this is the time that the City of Kenosha is having their trick or treat.

John Steinbrink:

So it’s on a Sunday. It’s not really Halloween so people will be upset about that one, right?

TIAHNYBOK MOVED TO SET TRICK OR TREAT HOURS IN THE VILLAGE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2005 FROM 3 – 6 P.M.; SECONDED BY KUMORKIEWICZ; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

M. Consent Agenda
(1) Approve Bartender License on File.
(2) Approve a Letter of Credit Reduction for Arbor Ridge.
(3) Approve a Letter of Credit Reduction for Springbrook Meadows.

LAUER MOVED TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 1-3 AS PRESENTED; SECONDED BY SERPE; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

9. ADJOURNMENT.

LAUER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING; SECONDED BY KUMORKIEWICZ; MOTION CARRIED AND MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:40 P.M.