

Village of Deer Park

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

Deer Park Vehe Barn, 23570 W. Cuba Road, Deer Park, Illinois 60010

Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Village of Deer Park was held on March 17, 2022, at Deer Park Vehe Barn, 23570 W. Cuba Road, in the Village of Deer Park, in the Counties of Lake and Cook, Illinois. Village President Rusteberg called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 8:21 p.m.

Upon roll call, Village Officials and Staff present President Rusteberg, Trustees Olson, Reiser, Zimmerman, Oakley, Psarakis, Administrator McAndrews, Village Treasurer Roscoe and Clerk Kelly. Trustee Lemme was absent.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Trustee Zimmerman moved and Trustee Oakley seconded to approve agenda for March 17, 2022.

Upon Voice Call:

Ayes: Reiser, Oakley, Olson, Zimmerman and Psarakis

(5) Ayes / (0) Nays / (1) Absent

Motion Carried 5/0

Public Comments – Sign-in prior to meeting at podium; 5 minutes time limit per person

No Public Comments.

Village Treasurer Roscoe - Budget Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Village Treasurer Roscoe provided the Committee an overview of the 5 major funds and the way the Village can use each fund. Discussion that the fund balance is 40% of the budget expenses for the next year. Increasing the fund balance from the office building in 2021 as well as COVID reducing revenue and dipped into the fund balance. The Village has taken a conservative action to rebuild the fund balance by the implementation of the ½% temporary sales tax increase for the collection of \$500,000 which started in October of this fiscal year, receipt of the American recuse plan of \$282,000 for this year and \$287,000 for this coming year. Projected income is 1.6 million revenue over expenses and 1.8 million revenue over expense is projected. Discussion if it is better to put in a place holder for projects/expense if it is not in the appropriation the Village can't spend the funds. Sales tax are kept conservative not knowing how things are going due to COVID. Discussion of the \$614,000 grant is not in the budget because it is unknown when the funds will be received. Discussion that restricted MFT fund is only used every few years, the Village receives about \$8,000 a month to this fund. If there is larger repair it would come from the unrestricted fund. Tonight's items approved in the Board Meeting are included in this version of the budget. Discussion of adding budget item for marketing the branding for additional costs to the Village. Discussion of Teska TIF Marketing ability for deliveries of data and a process for a better understanding to developers of the TIF availability. To bring in the 6 other missing parcels a new TIF will need to be created Teska has a proposal of \$13,000 and staff can do as much as we can to bring the cost down. Discussion of the Local Government Distribution Fund (LGDF) is a designated portion of state income tax revenues, with the increase of residents due to the 2020 census this number had an increased. Discussion of an estimate of sales tax from Dunkin Donuts and other tenant is too soon. Discussion the Village's largest expense is Lake County Sheriff. Landscaping cost and HOA program for qualified improvements to the HOA property is very popular shared reimbursement. Discussion of cost added to the tennis courts. Discussion for more tree plantings, types of trees and maintenance of trees. Added funds for Barn maintenance, safety, deck and ADA doors. Discussion of adding a place holder for sustainability for \$20,000.

Village President Rusteberg

Committee agreed to change the order of agenda to allow Trustee Reiser to speak first.

Village Trustee Reiser – HOA Meeting Update

Village Trustee Reiser attended the Squires HOA meeting. The HOA filed a concern with Village Staff for a stop sign on the Pheasant Trail and Mallard. The Village would be required to study the traffic to warrant a stop sign. HOA is concerned about the weeds and it seems that has already been addressed. Groot discussion in public comments at Board Meeting, Village Administrator will call Groot to discuss.

Village President Rusteberg

Village President Rusteberg and Committee discussed the efforts of other municipalities to attract commercial and new residents to Deer Park. Bring more events and business to the Village. Three upcoming increases to budget engineering, legal and the Sheriff’s contract are up in 2 years. Discussion to bring items for discussion to the Village Administrator to allow staff to prepare.

Old and/or New Business

Consideration of Motion to adjourn to Executive Session - If needed

Adjourn

Motion: Trustee Olson moved and Trustee Zimmerman seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

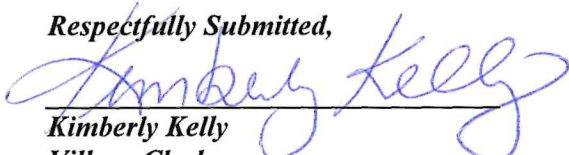
Upon Roll Call:

Ayes: Reiser, Oakley, Olson, Zimmerman and Psarakis

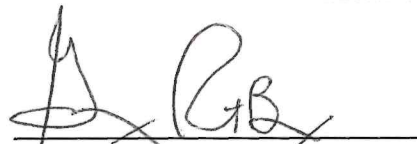
(5) Ayes / (0) Nays/ (1) Absent

Motion Carried 5/0

Respectfully Submitted,



Kimberly Kelly
Village Clerk



Greg Rusteberg
Village President