

**Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Workshop of the President and the Board of Trustees
Held on May 9, 2011
In the Boardroom**

Mayor Collins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board present: Mayor Collins, Trustee Bonuchi, Trustee Fay, Trustee Lamb, Trustee Peck, Trustee Racich, and Trustee Rippy. Others present: Brian Murphy, Administrator; Michelle Gibas, Village Clerk; Allen Persons, Public Works Director; Michael Garrigan, Planning Supervisor; Doug Kissel, Wastewater Superintendent; Traci Pleckham, Management Services Director; and John Konopek, Interim Chief of Police. There were approximately 12 persons in the audience.

Trustee Fay moved to approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Workshop held on April 25, 2011. Seconded by Trustee Lamb. Voice Vote. All in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

PRESIDENTIAL COMMENTS

Mayor Collins thanked everyone involved with the Disaster Drill that took place on Saturday.

TRUSTEES COMMENTS

Trustee Bonuchi also thanked everyone involved with the Disaster Drill.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Comments.

WORKSHOP MEETING

#1 LOWER DUPAGE RIVER WATERSHED

Ms. Andrea Cline, The Conservation Foundation, gave a presentation highlighting the Lower DuPage River Watershed Workgroup, the Watershed Plan, and future considerations for the nutrient quality of the water in the DuPage River. Ms. Cline pointed out that the Lower DuPage River watershed covers 168 square miles and encompasses portions of 13 municipalities, including the Village of Plainfield. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has identified a wide variety of problems within the watershed including high nutrient levels, sedimentation and siltation, invasive algae which can contribute to dissolved oxygen sinks. The Conservation Foundation initiated the Lower DuPage Watershed Plan in September 2009 and was completed in May 2011.

A model of the watershed was developed to estimate the amount and source of the pollutants of interest, sediment, chloride, phosphorus, nitrogen, and fecal coliform. The model evaluated the origin of the pollutants. Ms. Cline reviewed the policy recommendations including providing incentives for green infrastructure, use of annexation agreements to include best management practices, and preservation of natural resources. Ms. Cline thanked the Village Board for being proactive and pointed out that The Conservation Foundation often refers to the Village as an example of what to do.

Ms. Cline pointed out that there is always room for improvement and pointed out a “hot spot” in the Village – a residential neighborhood off of Feeny Drive. Pollutants run off the landscape into the creek and then into the DuPage River.

Trustee Fay inquired as to how the Village can prevent such run off issues. Ms. Cline suggested removal of the channelized swale. She also suggested having a community meeting to address the issues and educate the public.

Trustee Lamb stated that the Village needs to think through how to handle best management practices with this economy because they cost more to implement.

Trustee Racich thanked The Conservation Foundation for its efforts and pointed out that because of the efforts the Hickory Creek now has fish that live in it. At one point, nothing could survive in that Creek.

Ms. Cline pointed out that going forward The Conservation Foundation will formalize the structure of the group to implement the watershed plan. The completed plan gives watershed priority for funding under the IEPA 319 and Green Infrastructure Grants Program.

#2 SPECIAL EVENT PROPOSAL FOR ONE-DAY BREWERS' FEST

Mr. Steve Caton, Mr. Dale Lewis, and Mr. Kevin Herbst gave a presentation to the Board requesting permission to use Village-owned property to host a Brewers' Fest for the benefit of the Riverfront Foundation. The group has created a non-for-profit company, Midwest Brewers Fest, Inc. to run the event. All proceeds will be donated to the Riverfront Foundation for the benefit of redevelopment of Electric Park. Midwest Brewers Fest, Inc. will be solely responsible for planning, managing, execution, and clean up from the fest. The group is anticipating an annual event that donates \$40,000 or greater in cash and approved infrastructural improvements.

Chief Konopek stated that staff has worked significantly with the applicant regarding this proposal. There were some concerns, most of which have been addressed. Chief Konopek pointed out that the proposal has changed dramatically with staff's input. Chief Konopek also pointed out that in order to accommodate the event, the Village Board must approve an amendment to the Liquor Code, adding an additional Liquor License Classification to allow such brew fest type events.

Trustee Lamb indicated that he liked the concept; it makes the Village a destination. He thought the plan was ambitious and was curious to see how the event turns out.

Trustee Peck stated that he would like to get the support of the surrounding neighbors. Mr. Caton stated that they are currently working on that and pointed out that typically brew fest attendees were docile. He also pointed out that the event would end at 8:00 p.m. Trustee Peck also inquired about the credentials of the servers. Mr. Caton pointed out that everyone serving would be Bassett certified or have similar certifications. Mr. Caton requested that instead of requiring everyone to be Bassett certified that the Village consider having one person per area. They will also have 50 volunteers Bassett certified and assigned to each booth. Volunteers will be wearing safety green shirts so that

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they can be clearly identified. Trustee Peck encouraged consistency in whichever way the Board moved forward. Trustee Peck also suggested that the persons with Bassett certification wear wristbands to make them clearly identifiable.

Trustee Bonuchi asked about the carding process. Chief Konopek stated that people from Midwest Brewers will be responsible for carding patrons, and also pointed out that Police Officers will be present. Trustee Bonuchi stated that she like the Designated Driver program as identified by the applicant. She also inquired as to how food vendors would be chosen. Mr. Dale Lewis stated they are looking for restaurants that specialize in craft beers and pointed out that Plainfield has four restaurants. Trustee Bonuchi inquired about retail sales. Mr. Lewis pointed out that there will be beer related items for purchase. Trustee Bonuchi stated that she felt it was important to have the servers certified in serving alcohol. Trustee Bonuchi asked Trustee Fay as the Chairman of the Riverfront Foundation if they supported the event. Trustee Fay stated that the Riverfront Foundation does support the event.

Trustee Racich pointed out that the event was an adult-only event and encouraged the applicant to advertise the event as such. He also felt that it was important to have the servers certified in serving alcohol.

Trustee Rippy asked if the event would require extra Police Patrol. Chief Konopek stated that the Police Officers would be offered special detail and the costs would be passed on to the applicant. Trustee Rippy inquired about liability insurance. Mr. John Argoudelis, attorney, stated that the Village Ordinance requires liability insurance and Midwest Brewers, as the event coordinator, will provide the Village with a certificate of insurance naming the Village as Additional Insured. Additionally, the contract with the vendors requires that each vendor provide a certificate of insurance naming Midwest Brewers Fest, Plainfield Riverfront Foundation, and the Village of Plainfield as Additional Insured.

Administrator Murphy stated that staff will bring the Ordinance to the Board for formal adoption.

Mayor Collins read the reminders.

Trustee Fay moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Racich. Voice Vote. All in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Michelle Gibas, Village Clerk