

SALES TAX REFERENDUM – Trustee Huemann moved to approve Ordinance 15-16-34 An Ordinance Imposing a Non-Home Rule Municipal Occupation Tax, a Non-Home Rule Municipal Service Tax and a Non-Home Municipal Rule Use Tax, Each in the Amount of 1/2 Percent, Pursuant to the March 15, 2016 Referendum Results. Trustee Curry seconded the motion. Trustees Huemann, McEvoy, Curry, Frost and Hutchinson voted aye. Motion carried.

REMINGTON GROVE – Trustee McEvoy moved to approve Ordinance 15-16-29 Amending Ordinance 04-05-29 to remove a partial restriction on rental units for Phase III Remington Grove of Johnsburg Subdivision. Trustee Huemann seconded the motion. Trustee Frost asked for clarification regarding the language related to third party purchasers. Mr. Brown explained that third party purchases by future users would only be limited to renting one unit even if they own more than one. He further explained that the language is not intended to accommodate investors. Trustees Huemann, McEvoy, Curry, Frost, Hutchinson and President Hettermann voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Curry moved to approve Ordinance 15-16-32 Authorizing the Execution of a Third Amendment to Annexation Agreement for Remington Grove of Johnsburg Subdivision. Trustee McEvoy seconded the motion. Trustees Huemann, McEvoy, Curry, Frost, Hutchinson and President Hettermann voted aye. Motion carried.

WHITE LIGHTING SOCCER - Henry Schmidt of White Lightning Soccer was in attendance regarding a transition occurring with the soccer club. He explained that the club is formalizing an informal situation that has been going on for years between the communities of Johnsburg, McHenry, Richmond and Spring Grove. Within the Illinois Youth Soccer and the Soccer Federation changes are occurring related to the number of players required for teams. Mr. Schmidt explained that our school enrollments are shrinking making it harder and harder to field soccer teams therefore the pooling of teams from adjacent towns into one league is being pursued. He explained that he does not want the impression that the league is now made up of outsiders coming into the community as the members are children from local communities playing together.

Mr. Schmidt explained that the new requirements dictate the need to have children of like age playing on each team, similar to school requirements. In the past if there were not enough children of a certain age to field a team, younger children would be moved up to properly field the team which creates a potential liability. Mr. Schmidt stated that as many as 150 to 200 children make up the Johnsburg league yet you need 750 kids to have a program truly work therefore, to try and create additional opportunities for the children, the leagues have decided to merge. In the new arrangement, if the majority of the kids playing on a team are from Johnsburg, they will use Johnsburg fields, if they are from McHenry, they will use McHenry field. Mr. Schmidt explained that they will remain non-profit and a board will be established that will initially be evenly represented by all communities. A naming contest is taking place to determine the name. Once the choices are narrowed to three, they will ask the Village to send out an eblast to solicit votes to determine the name.

Trustee Curry questioned the time frame for the merger. Mr. Schmidt stated that tryouts that occur in May will be for the merged soccer club.

Trustee Curry stated that Mr. Schmidt mentioned they are formalizing an informal situation. He questioned if the swamping of players was going on in the past. Mr. Schmidt stated that it has been going on for a long time.

Trustee Hutchinson questioned what objections have been received regarding the merger. Mr. Schmidt stated that they have held town hall meetings at which the early concerns were related to making sure they were not cutting out opportunities for the kids. He explained that the league is currently losing kids to

Crystal Lake and Libertyville or other areas that provide more growth and challenge opportunities. He added that finances were also of concern.

Trustee Huemann questioned how they plan to balance out each team and all of the assets from each community. Mr. Schmidt stated that he does not see changes in that regard. He explained that McHenry has a lot of fields. Trustee Huemann question if more fields in Johnsburg will be needed. Mr. Schmidt stated that he doesn't believe it will change anything but he won't know for certain for a couple weeks. He explained that they use Sunnyside Park fields five days a week and Hiller Park is used for kiddie kickers and recreational soccer or if there are problems with the Township fields.

Trustee Curry stated that the Village is aware of the lack of fields available for football. He explained that the high school fields are in poor condition therefore the School needs to work on their fields and Jr. Skyhawks is trying to not burden those fields for a while. He stated that Jr. Skyhawks has players that are Johnsburg residents and District 12 residents that are in need of fields and there are organizations coming in with kids from outside of the community getting field time on Johnsburg fields.

Mr. Schmidt discussed some complications with the field reservations this year. President Hettermann explained that it is his understanding that football submitted their schedule to utilize fields in Hiller Park and Soccer submitted their schedule for Hiller Park after the deadline. He stated that soccer and football do not work well utilizing the same fields therefore we need to determine a solution. He suggested that we keep soccer at Sunnyside Park and football at Hiller Park and if more fields are needed for soccer we can look to develop more at Sunnyside Park.

Mr. Schmidt stated that they would need to be able to play games at Sunnyside Park. Neighbors originally wanted it only for practice. He stated that if the Village is willing to allow games to be played at Sunnyside Park, they are committed to that change. President Hettermann and Trustee Huemann expressed that they do not think it would be an issue any longer as the neighbor's concerns were related to the impact of the lights. Mr. Schmidt stated that he can come up with a cost estimate to develop additional fields to understand the impact. President Hettermann suggested that the Village will work to establish a timeline for possible field improvements. Mr. Hartnett asked Mr. Schmidt to provide him information regarding the number of fields needed and he can work on some concept plans.

ADJOURNMENT – Trustee Huemann moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee McEvoy seconded the motion. All Trustees present voted aye. Motion carried at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Claudett E. Peters
Village Administrator