

**VILLAGE OF JOHNSBURG
AUGUST 2, 2022, REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

President Hettermann called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Attendees

Trustee Tom Curry
Trustee Beth Foreman
Trustee Kyle Frost (absent)
Trustee Josh Hagen
Trustee Greg Klemstein
Trustee Scott Letzter
Village Administrator Claudett Sofiakis
Assistant Administrator Vinny Lamontagna
Special Projects Coordinator Rick Quinn
Chief Keith VonAllmen

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – Don Peoples 1401 Sunnyside Beach attended and questioned if the amount of the bonds issued for SSA 33 is capped and if the Village is still going to proceed with the road. President Hettermann confirmed that the amount the residents will pay is capped and the project will get done. He explained that there have been delays in moving the project forward because some of the residents who previously committed to providing stormwater easements are now not providing the easements therefore the Village has had to try to find alternative easements and may have to direct stormwater down to the Village’s boat launch which has resulted in having to look into cost savings measures such as eliminating the gate. Special Projects Coordinator Rich Quinn added that some of the easements being sought were to provide an area for trucks to turn around such as the refuse and recycling truck, UPS, etc and now that those easements are not occurring, an alternative needs to be provided for passage for those vehicles. President Hettermann added that the Village has already approached the garbage company about providing a key to their drive to open the gate if it is installed and proceed along Riverview Drive rather than trying to turn around at the end of the road. Mr. Hartnett reported that he had recent meetings with other residents on the road who have agreed to help out and provide the easements needed for the stormwater. Mr. Quinn pointed out that the residents were very fortunate to get the rate they received on the bonds as interest rates have increased considerably.

Robert Denley of 1407 Sunnyside Beach Drive attended and questioned if the SSA should have been established and prepaids accepted before the easements were finalized. Mr. Quinn explained that the SSA needed to be established to cover the cost of the engineering necessary to design the road and determine where the easements were needed. Mr. Denley questioned if additional costs will be incurred by the residents? President Hettermann stated that the amount the residents will pay is already set.

Cheryl Markunas of 1310 Hayden Drive questioned why Captain Rod and others use the Village’s boat launch for commercial purposes and they do not have Village stickers on the vehicles launching. She remarked that they back up the launch for an hour and prevent residents from launching their boats. President Hettermann directed Chief VonAllmen to follow up on the matter..

OMNIBUS AGENDA - Trustee Hagen moved to approve the Omnibus Agenda. Trustee Letzter seconded the motion. All Trustees voted aye on the roll. Motion carried.

- Move to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2022 meeting of the President and Board of Trustees

- Move to approve Pay Request #12 in the amount of \$59,949.03 to Manusos General Contracting for the David G. Dominguez Municipal Center Project.
- Move to approve Ordinance 22-23-07 Amending Chapter 43.10 Noise of the Johnsburg Municipal Code
- **DISBURSEMENTS**
- General Fund \$ 195,393.13
- Motor Fuel Fund \$
- Waterworks & Sewage Fund \$ 4,146.35
- Golf Course Fund \$
- Land & Building Fund \$ 59,949.03
- Debt Service/SSA Fund \$ 1,780.00
- Total All Funds \$261,268.51

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – President Hettermann reported on upcoming events such as Party in the Burg scheduled for August 5th, Johnsburg Lions Club’s Cart Cruise for Charity on August 27th, and the Jr. Skyhawks Steak Fry on August 14th. He asked the Trustees to advise Mr. Lamontagna if they will be participating in the Saufen und Spiel Parade.

PURCHASE AGREEMENT - Trustee Hagen moved to approve a Purchase Agreement for the Sale of Surplus property to Redwood USA, LLC. Trustee Foreman seconded the motion. Village Attorney Michael Smoron reviewed Redwood’s proposal which offer is subject to useable acreage and does not include compensation for wetlands, public roads, and property in the flood plain. He added that they are proposing an extended due diligence period to accommodate zoning and engineering design which consists of 270 days plus two 90 day extentions. Mr. Smoron clarified that the earnest money is refundable if they do not get an approval provided they do not default which would be difficult to do based upon the language in the agreement. He suggested that once the survey is prepared, the board should memorialize any action through an ordinance. Village Administrator Sofiakis explained that the due diligence period not unreasonable given that they are looking to obtain zoning for the proposed development and complete engineering design before closing. The Board discussed whether the property was impacted by wetlands or floodplain and agreed that those impacts, if any, should be determined before acting on the proposed agreement. The Board also questioned if there are contingencies in the other contracts that could impact the Village’s terms. Ms. Sofiakis and Mr. Hartnett agreed to follow up on those matters and report back to the Board. Trustee Foremann moved to table the matter to the next board meeting. Trustee Curry seconded the motion. All Trustees present voted aye on the roll. Motion carried.

JOHNSBURG LIONS PARK PROPOSAL - Lions President Ellen Cravens attended regarding the Johnsburg Lions Club’s offer to sponsor park improvements at the fishing pond in Springdale Estates and asked that in return the park be named after the Club. She explained that the Club has approved moving forward it it is agreeable to the Village. She explained that the cost of the improvements would be about \$40,000 which the Club proposes to fund by paying the Village \$8,000 annually over 5 years. Ms. Cravens stated that the Club proposes to pursue a grill, an aerator for the pond, a fire pit, and picnic tables. She added that it is her understanding that the pond may need to be dredged as well. Mr. Cravens stated that the Club will pursue special fund raising events to cover the cost and would rather pay for the improvements sooner rather than later but because of current economic conditions would prefer the option to reimburse the Village over time. If the Board is agreeable, Ms. Cravens suggested that the project be discussed with the adjacent residents before pursuing any improvements. President Hetter requested the concensus of the Board to provide Mr. Cravens some feedback. All trustees presents expressed their support of the proposal.

RIVERSIDE DRIVE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – Trustee Foremann move to approve the Professional Service Agreement with HR Green for Phase II Engineering for the Riverside Drive Road Improvement Project. Trustee Hagen seconded the motion. Village Engineer, Tim Hartnett reviewed the project and explained that engineering cost increases are being experienced because of additional requirements being placed on the design by IDOT. He discussed the culverts needing to be replaced due to a complete failure of what is in place and explained that he originally anticipated in kind replacement however several agencies are now adding additional standards. Mr. Hartnett added that they were planning to utilize water models from the Walmart, Running Brook Farm and Remington developments however IDOT is requiring the models to be updated and recalculated. Mr. Hartnett pointed out that the culvert under Riverside Drive drains over 7 square miles of area and therefore a tremendous amount of additional area needs to be calculated resulting in the significant increase in Phase II engineering. All trustees present voted aye on the roll. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT – Trustee Curry moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Letzter seconded the motion. All Trustees voted aye. Motion to adjourn was carried at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

*Claudett Sofiakis
Village Administrator*