

**Village of Bensenville**  
**Board Room**  
**12 South Center Street**  
**Bensenville, Illinois 60106**  
**Counties of DuPage and Cook**

**MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**February 10, 2015**

- CALL TO ORDER:** 1. Alexandra Kania, Fenton High School Senior, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

*President Soto introduced Student Government Participates Alexandra Kania, Fenton High School Senior and Kaitlyn Zavalan, Blackhawk Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> Grader.*

- ROLL CALL:** 2. Upon roll call by Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo, the following Board Members were present:

Janowiak, Jarecki, O'Connell, Ridder, Wesseler

Absent: Bartlett

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: Village Attorney, Pat Bond, Cassady, Caracci, DiSanto, Finner, F. Kosman, Ribando, Schaeffer, Schultz, Sloth, Thakkar, Viger, Williamsen

*President Soto requested to move Presidential Remarks to this portion of the meeting. There were no objections from the Village Board.*

**PRESIDENT'S  
REMARKS:**

President Soto presented certificated to Student Government Participates Alexandra Kania, Fenton High School Senior and Kaitlyn Zavalan, Blackhawk Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> Grader.

Police Chief, Frank Kosman, read a proclamation into the record Honoring the Memory of the Late Mark Selvik with the Honorary Street Designation of the 200 block of Mohawk Drive as Sergeant Mark Selvik Street.

Emergency Management Coordinator, Don Schultz, presented the President's Volunteer Service Award to Phil Jaffe, Kyle Murray, Jake Lichty, William Spradling, Ramona Westfall, Eric Focht, Angel

Ramirez and Douglas Phillip.

Kaitlyn Zavalan, Blackhawk Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> Grader, read a proclamation into the record recognizing Douglas Phillip, Phillip Jaffe and Cody Moutvic for their actions taken saving the life of another.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Paul Demichele – 17W275 Rodeck Lane**

Mr. Demichele addressed the Village Board with his concerns of lost businesses in Bensenville due to the taking of land as part of the Elgin/O'Hare Western Bypass Project.

**Garry Gardner – 17W131 Woodland**

Mr. Gardner addressed the Village Board regarding previous Village Board minutes and asked why the December 9, 2015 Village Board Minutes were not posted to the Village's website.

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION:**

Village Attorney, Pat Bond, called for an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending, probable, or imminent litigation, acquisition of real estate property, personnel, and collective negotiating matters. Actions will take place as a result of the discussions.

**Motion:**

Trustee Ridder made a motion to recess the meeting and go into Executive Session. Trustee Janowiak seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

President Soto recessed the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

President Soto called the meeting back to order at 7:42 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Upon roll call by Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo, the following Board Members were present:

Janowiak, Jarecki, O'Connell, Ridder, Wesseler

Absent: Bartlett

A quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES:**

3. The January 27, 2014 Village Board Meeting minutes were presented.

Motion: Trustee Ridder made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee O'Connell seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**WARRANT NO.  
15/03:**

4. President Soto presented **Warrant No. 15/03** in the amount of \$2,530,171.72.

Motion: Trustee O'Connell made a motion to approve the warrant as presented. Trustee Janowiak seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Janowiak, Jarecki, O'Connell, Ridder, Wesseler

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carries.

Motion: 5. Trustee Wesseler made a motion to set the Consent Agenda as presented. Trustee Ridder seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.  
10-2015:**

**Ordinance Approving the Village of Bensenville's Entry into an Agreement with Green Street Tap House & Grill, LLC, for the Redevelopment of the Property Known as 120 W. Green Street, Bensenville, as a Family Restaurant and Bar Combination. (Consent Agenda)**

Motion: Trustee Wesseler made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Trustee Ridder seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Janowiak, Jarecki, O'Connell, Ridder, Wesseler

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**MANAGERS  
REPORT:**

**Ordinance No.  
11-2015:**

6. Village Manager, Michael Cassady, gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 11-2015** entitled **An Ordinance authorizing, through adoption of an Intergovernmental Agreement, the acquisition of property commonly known as the Silver Creek Forest Preserve from the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County for Corporate Purposes.**

Mr. Cassady stated the Forest Preserve of Du Page County owns ten non-contiguous parcels totaling approximately 4.2 acres along the Silver Creek. Mr. Cassady stated the Village also owns several noncontiguous parcels along the creek. Mr. Cassady stated both the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy and the Comprehensive Plan envision an open space amenity and pathway along the Creek. Mr. Cassady stated the first step in realizing that vision is to unify the ownership of properties along the creek. Mr. Cassady stated to that end the Village and Forest Preserve have negotiated an Intergovernmental Agreement that conveys the Forest Preserve properties to the Village. Mr. Cassady stated in the Intergovernmental Agreement the Forest Preserve agrees to convey their properties and assign their easement rights to the Village for \$10.00. Mr. Cassady stated the Village will own and maintain the properties. Mr. Cassady stated Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance.

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Wessler made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Ridder seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Janowiak, Jarecki, O'Connell, Ridder, Wessler

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Elgin/O'Hare  
Western Access  
Bike Paths:**

7. Mr. Cassady stated on October 21, 2015 the I&E Committee

considered several design enhancements to the Elgin-O'Hare Western Access Project. Mr. Cassady stated the Committee supported signage enhancements on the project bridges and LED illuminated street signs, however staff was directed to bring back more information on shared use paths. Mr. Cassady stated this agenda item presents staff's recommendation for the Village to fund enhanced shared use paths in the project area. Mr. Cassady stated these paths would help Bensenville connect to regional paths. Mr. Cassady stated the cost for all the enhancements, including signage, is \$259,569.50. Mr. Cassady stated the Village can use "credits" towards these improvements received from acquisition of Village owned parcels in the corridor. Mr. Cassady stated no formal action or expenditure is required at this time, however staff seeks direction from the Village Board on whether or not to pursue these enhancements.

Trustee Wessler asked Staff to seek other options the credits can be used for.

*Consensus from the Village Board directed Staff to pursue the enhancements for the Elgin/O'Hare Western Access bike paths.*

**Resolution No.  
R-11-2015:**

8. Village Manager, Michael Cassady, gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-11-2015 entitled **A Resolution Approving a Wayside Horn License Agreement with the Commuter Rail Division of the Regional Transportation Authority (Metra) for the Bensenville Quiet Zone.****

Mr. Cassady stated the Village is in the process of establishing a train horn Quiet Zone in Bensenville by installing a wayside horn at the York Road crossing. Mr. Cassady stated in order to install the horn; a right-of-entry permit is required from Metra. Mr. Cassady stated the Village was recently were told by Metra that in order to acquire the permit, the Village must enter into an agreement to cover the responsibilities (both maintenance and financial) of the installation and ongoing maintenance. Mr. Cassady stated per the agreement, the Village is responsible for the installation and maintenance of the Way Side Horn and the removal and modification of the pedestrian crossing/platform. Mr. Cassady stated the estimated costs of these two Metra performed projects are \$39,428 and \$64,678 respectively. Mr. Cassady stated Staff recommends approval of this top priority in the Bensenville Strategic Plan. There were no questions from the Village Board.

**Motion:**

Trustee Ridder made a motion to approve the resolution as

presented. Trustee Wesseler seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Janowiak, Jarecki, O’Connell, Ridder, Wesseler

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci introduced newly hired Public Works Employee – Facility Maintenance Technician, John Herwald, to the Village Board and Community.

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY  
REPORT:**

Village Attorney, Pat Bond, has no report.

**UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS:**

Trustee Ridder announced Village Staff will be playing Fenton High School Staff in the annual charity basketball game to help raise funds to send the Special Olympics basketball team to State. The game will be held on February 11, 2015 at 6:15p.m. at Fenton High School.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Trustee Wesseler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Ridder seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

President Soto adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo  
Village Clerk

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 24th day, February 2015