

**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**  
**August 25, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 1. President DeSimone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** 2. Upon roll call by Deputy Village Clerk, Corey Williamsen, the following Board Members were present:

President DeSimone\*, Village Clerk, Nancy Quinn\*, Carmona\*, Frey\*, Lomax\*, Panicola\*, Perez\*

Absent: Franz

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: E. Summers, J. Caracci\*, J. McManus\*, D. Schulze, S. Viger\*, C. Williamsen

*\*President DeSimone, Village Clerk, Nancy Quinn, Trustee Carmona, Trustee Frey, Trustee Lomax, Trustee Panicola, Trustee Perez, Joe Caracci, Julie McManus and Scott Viger attended the meeting via electronic means.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** **Michele Eichhorn – 16W587 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Bensenville, Illinois**  
Ms. Eichhorn submitted an online Public Comment regarding the White Pines Watermain Rehabilitation Project. Ms. Eichhorn's Public Comment was read into the record by Deputy Village Clerk, Corey Williamsen.

**Paul DeMichele – 17W275 Rodeck Lane, Bensenville, Illinois**  
Mr. DeMichele addressed the Village Board regarding the White Pines Watermain Rehabilitation Project and the proposed Engineering Agreement on the agenda.

**Anastasia Asimis Katsis – 615 W. Green St. Bensenville, Illinois**  
Ms. Katsis addressed the Village Board regarding the proposed denial of variations at her property on the agenda. Ms. Katsis asked that the Village Board reconsider the Community Development Commission's recommendation.

**James Cook – 4N164 Ridgewood Avenue, Bensenville, Illinois**

Mr. Cook declined Public Comment.

**Gina Mellenthin – 4N150 Pine Grove, Bensenville, Illinois**

Ms. Mellenthin addressed the Village Board regarding the White Pines Watermain Rehabilitation Project and the proposed Engineering Agreement on the agenda. Ms. Mellenthin requested forensic audits be performed.

**Dimitre Matev – 351 N. Hemlock Ave., Wood Dale, Illinois**

Mr. Matev addressed the Village Board regarding a lien placed on his property in Bensenville. Mr. Matev submitted a letter to the Village Board. The letter has been attached to the minutes as “Exhibit A”.

**Garry Gardner – Bensenville, Illinois**

Mr. Gardner addressed the Village Board regarding the White Pines Watermain Rehabilitation Project and the proposed Engineering Agreement on the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES:**

3. The July 14, 2020 Village Board Meeting minutes were presented.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**WARRANT NO.  
20/13:**

4. President DeSimone presented **Warrant No. 20/13** in the amount of \$3,773,360.67.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the warrants as presented. Trustee Frey the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.  
37-2020:**

5. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 37-2020** entitled an **Ordinance of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois Approving a Consulting and Service Agreement with S & G Thor Consulting Corporation.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion to adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.  
38-2020:**

6. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 38-2020** entitled an **Ordinance of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois Amending Chapter Seven of Title Four of the Bensenville Village Code to Affirm a Policy of Fair Housing and Prohibit Acts in the Sale and Rental of Dwelling Units.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion to adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.  
R-60-2020:**

7. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-60-2020** entitled a **Resolution Approving the DuPage County Resolution FI-R-0418-20 Allocation of Forty-Three Million Dollars From the DuPage County Coronavirus Relief Fund to the Local Government Municipal Covid-19 Reimbursement Program.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.  
R-61-2020:**

8. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-61-2020** entitled a **Resolution Granting the Advise and Consent to the Village President's Re-Appointment of Ray King to the Community Development Commission.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.  
R-62-2020:**

9. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-62-2020** entitled a **Resolution Granting the Advise and Consent to the Village President's Re-Appointment of Robert Madura to the Bensenville Fire Protection District #2 Board.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.**  
**39-2020:**

10. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 39-2020** entitled an **Ordinance Denying Variations for Maximum Impervious Lot Coverage, Maximum Driveway Width, and Paved Parking Area Standards at 615 W. Green Street.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion to adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.**  
**40-2020:**

11. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 40-2020** entitled an **Ordinance Approving a Variation to Allow a Fence in the Front Yard at 620 W. Grove Avenue.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.**  
**R-63-2020:**

12. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-63-2020** entitled a **Resolution Approving a Letter of Intent of the Sale of Property at 840 East Green Street.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Presentation  
101 W. Main St.:**

Village Manager, Evan Summers, announced the presenter was unable to attend the meeting and requested an opportunity to present to the Village Board and Community at a later date.

**Ordinance No.  
41-2020:**

13. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 41-2020** entitled an **Ordinance of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois Amending Chapter Seven of Title Eight of the Bensenville Village Code Regarding Collection of and Liability for Water and Sewer Charges.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.  
42-2020:**

14. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 42-2020** entitled an **Ordinance of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois Approving the Fourth Amendment to an Agreement with Red Speed Illinois, LLC for Traffic Law Enforcement System.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.**  
**R-64-2020:**

15. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-64-2020** entitled a **Resolution to Extend the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Addison for Police Dispatch Services until April 30, 2023.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.**  
**R-65-2020:**

16. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-65-2020** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing a Notice of Intent to Award and Eventual Award of a Construction Contract for the White Pines Watermain Rehabilitation Project to John Neri Construction Company, Inc in the amount of \$5,785,985.25 Contingent on the Approval of a loan through Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Public Water Supply Loan Program (PWSLP).**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.**  
**R-66-2020:**

17. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-66-2020** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Engineering Service Agreement with Civiltech Engineering, Inc for the White Pines Watermain Rehabilitation Project to in the not-to-exceed amount of \$672,687.00 Contingent on the Approval of a Loan through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Public Water Supply Loan Program (PWSLP).**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.**  
**R-67-2020:**

18. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-67-2020** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Facility Rental Use Agreement between the Village of Bensenville and the Hinsdale Swim Club.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S**  
**REMARKS:**

President DeSimone expressed his deepest sympathy to Trustee Franz regarding the passing of her Mother.



President DeSimone announced the United States Census Bureau is going to have enumerators (employees) in the Bensenville area going door-to-door until October 31st, 2020. President DeSimone announced the enumerators are going to follow-up with households that have yet to responded to the census questionnaire that was in the mail and that proper identification will be worn. President DeSimone stated workers will never enter the home.

President DeSimone asked all to continue to follow CDC Guidelines related to COVID-19.

President DeSimone announced VNA Health Care is still offering COVID-19 testing by appointment only; all information can be found on the Village's website.

President DeSimone announced the next brush pick-up is scheduled for the week of September 8<sup>th</sup>; all items must be placed on the curb no later that 7:00am on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

President DeSimone announced the Fall Community Yard Sale is September 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>; additional information can be found on the Village's website.

**MANAGERS  
REPORT:**

Village Manager, Evan Summers, thanked the Multimedia Team for the hard work in adjusting on electronic meetings for the Village.

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY  
REPORT:**

Village Attorney, Joseph Montana, had no report.

**UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS:**

There was no unfinished business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business.

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION:**

Village Attorney, Joseph Montana, stated there was not a need for Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Trustee Lomax made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

President DeSimone adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Nancy Quinn  
Village Clerk

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 8th day, September 2020

Dimitre Matev  
401 S Miner St.  
Bensenville, IL 60106

EXPLANATION OF THE GRASS IN THE EMPTY LOT  
401 S MINER ST.

What do I know about grass maintenance.

The grass was cut on April 22 by my son.

He flew to Bulgaria on 23 of April.

From that date to the date of the note...I guess is around July 1 ...they are 69 days.

In that period I cut the grass minimum 2 times , contractor did that one time.

If we divide them proportionally we have a period of 20 days during which the grass grows.

According to information from google....you showed me a picture of the place from google,

How fast does grass grow in a day?

The rate of **grass** growth depends on the type of **grass**, weather, amount of sun, water and other factors. Generally, **grass grows** at a rate of 2 to 6 inches a month.

Or... the possible height of the grass for the period of 20 days can be maximum 4 inches.

If we figure a period of 69 days ...we have to have 13.8 inches.

I remember an accusation years ago from the inspector whose office was in the fire department building. The accusation was ..that I was selling sandwiches on the lot. Without evidence ...only a complaint from a neighbor. Revealed that there was no such thing

A few years ago the city used my lot to put pipes and equipment for some project .....  
Without anyone notifying me. May I ask...is anyone punished for this offense?

For 20 years from year 2000 for which I own the lot, maintain it and pay my taxes properly.

Did I deserve this in perhaps the worst year since year 2000.

I have no notification of the tall grass, there was a note on the stick.

We go through Washinton St. 2 or 3 times per week in month june and july.

My wife and I have no seen the notice , we have not seen grass 20 inches high.

Best regards,  
Dimitre Matev

08-25-2020



In ideal conditions, most grass will grow within 10 days after sowing and will be fully established in 6-8 weeks (full coverage across the lawn - no patches). When it is fully established at the 6-8 week mark, you are free to walk, play and frolic on it as much as you see fit!



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