

**VILLAGE OF VOLO
MINUTES OF THE BI-MONTHLY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
FEBRUARY 24, 2009**

7:30 P.M.: Meeting was Called to Order
Pledge to the Flag
Roll Call

Present: Trustee Buschick
Trustee Crow
Trustee Evans
Trustee Wagner
Trustee Wegener

Absent: Trustee Porter

President Russell declared a quorum present.

Other Staff in attendance were Village Administrator Ken Buchardt, Village Attorney Nancy Harbottle, Village Engineer Peter Stoehr, Village Treasurer Cheryl Grolle and Village Clerk Judith Rutishauser. Members of the public were also in attendance. (See attached sign in sheet.)

7:36 P.M.: Trustee Porter arrived at the meeting.

COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS

Mr. David Wall suggested the Village consider contacting other disposal companies for rates, instead of just extending the current contract with Groot Industries, Inc.

COMMENTS FROM GUESTS OUTSIDE VILLAGE

1. Presentation by Fox Lake Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Lee Rohrer of the Fox Lake Chamber of Commerce introduced himself to the group, then began a presentation inviting the Village of Volo and its businesses to join the Fox Lake Chamber of Commerce. The fee is \$90.00 for 12 months of membership.

The Village of Volo would be included in the monthly newsletter which would list any Volo businesses belonging to the Chamber, as well as describe any current events occurring within the Village of Volo. Any information to be included in the monthly newsletter

must be submitted to the Fox Lake Chamber by the 25th of the month.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Wastewater Treatment Update

President Russell reported that Volo Village had met with W.R.T. to discuss the status of our radium/barium separation. The possibility of Volo receiving stimulus funds for this project was also discussed. Village Administrator Ken Buchardt will pursue this possibility.

2. Retirement for Legislative Aide Pat Tichnor (Mark Beaubien's Aide)

On Saturday, February 21, 2009, President Russell attended a breakfast hosted by Mark and Dee Beaubien in honor of Pat Tichnor's retirement. President Russell has worked with Pat on several occasions and found her very helpful. Pat has been Mark's aide for several years and will be missed.

MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE PORTER AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE WEGENER TO ACCEPT THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND PLACE IT ON FILE. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES.

PRESIDENT RUSSELL DECLARED THE MOTION APPROVED.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR KEN BUCHARDT

1. Consideration of Contract for Groot Industries, Inc.

Village Administrator Ken Buchardt reviewed the new proposal briefly with the members of the Board. He pointed out that Groot Industries, Inc. has been servicing the Village since it's takeover of the Jensen contract with no complications or complaints as to service. The new proposal reflects a raise of 2% or approximately \$.35/ month.

Since Village Attorney Nancy Harbottle has not had an opportunity to review the current contract or the new proposal, this matter will be discussed again at next month's meeting.

Discussion followed. Mr. Frank Hillegonds of Groot Industries, Inc. responded to questions from the Board members.

ENGINEER’S REPORT – VILLAGE ENGINEER PETER STOEHR

The Board members had been provided with a memo listing current projects in which the Village is involved. Village Engineer Peter Stoehr reviewed this memo with the members of the Board at this time.

Discussion followed.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED

1. Motion to Approve an Investment Account for Water Operations

Village Treasurer Cheryl Grolle addressed the Board members to request permission to set up a “Reserve Emergency Fund” account in which to deposit funds into the Water Operations account for emergency purposes such as repairs, etc. in the amount of \$15,000.00.

MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE BUSCHICK AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE PORTER TO DIRECT THE VILLAGE TREASURER TO SET UP A RESERVE EMERGENCY ACCOUNT FOR UNEXPECTED REPAIRS TO THE VILLAGE WATER SYSTEM, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.00 WHICH WOULD ALSO PERMIT THE VILLAGE TO OBTAIN A HIGHER YIELDING INVESTMENT VEHICLE.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

TRUSTEE BUSCHICK	AYE
TRUSTEE CROW	AYE
TRUSTEE EVANS	AYE
TRUSTEE PORTER	AYE
TRUSTEE WAGNER	AYE
TRUSTEE WEGENER	AYE

AYES – 6, NAYS – 0

PRESIDENT RUSSELL DECLARED THE MOTION APPROVED.

2. Approval of Groot Industries, Inc. Contract

This matter will be scheduled for further discussion at next month’s Meeting.

3. Motion to Approve Transfer of \$20,000.00 from Impact Fees

Account to General Fund for Police Impact Fees

Village Treasurer Cheryl Grolle explained that in the 2008/2009 Budget, \$40,000.00 was budgeted to be distributed to the General Fund from Police Impact Fees. Currently, the Village does not have the full \$40,000.00, but Village Treasurer Grolle requested authorization to transfer half of the budgeted amount (\$20,000.00) to the General Fund at this time.

MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE PORTER AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE WAGNER TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF VILLAGE TREASURER GROLLE TO TRANSFER \$20,000.00 FROM THE POLICE IMPACT FEES TO THE GENERAL FUND.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

TRUSTEE BUSCHICK	AYE
TRUSTEE CROW	AYE
TRUSTEE EVANS	AYE
TRUSTEE PORTER	AYE
TRUSTEE WAGNER	AYE
TRUSTEE WEGENER	AYE

AYES – 6, NAYS – 0

PRESIDENT RUSSELL DECLARED THE MOTION APPROVED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE EVANS AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE PORTER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AS PERMITTED BY 5 ILCS 1120/2(C) (11) TO DISCUSS LITIGATION AGAINST, AFFECTING, OR ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE WHICH HAS BEEN FILED AND IS PENDING IN A COURT OR ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL OR WHICH IS PROBABLE OR IMMINENT.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

TRUSTEE BUSCHICK	AYE
TRUSTEE CROW	AYE
TRUSTEE EVANS	AYE
TRUSTEE PORTER	AYE
TRUSTEE WAGNER	AYE
TRUSTEE WEGENER	AYE

AYES – 6, NAYS – 0

PRESIDENT RUSSELL DECLARED THE MOTION APPROVED.

8:10 P. M.: Meeting went into Executive Session

MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE PORTER AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE WEGENER TO RE-CONVENE THE REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES.

PRESIDENT RUSSELL DECLARED THE MOTION APPROVED.

8:22 P.M.: Meeting was re-convened

MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE EVANS AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE WAGNER TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES.

PRESIDENT RUSSELL DECLARED THE MOTION APPROVED.

8:24 P.M.: Meeting was adjourned.

Next regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for March 10, 2009..

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY _____
Judith T. Rutishauser, Village Clerk

MINUTES APPROVED ON _____