

Public Services & Safety Committee

Minutes of the Meeting on
September 5, 2018

**Village of Homer Glen
14240 W 151st Street, Homer Glen, IL 60491
Village Board Room**

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:17 p.m. by Trustee Keith Gray.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Roll Call.

Members present at 6:17 were Chairman Keith Gray, Will County Sheriff's Department Lt. Jim Holuj, Homer Township Highway Commissioner Mike DeVivo, EMA Director John Robinson, Northwest Homer Fire Protection Deputy Chief Todd Fanfara, Development Services Director Mike Salamowicz, and Chief Building Official Joe Baber. Also present was Mokena Assistant Fire Chief Joe Cirelli.

4. Approval of Amendments to the Agenda.

5. Minutes.

a) August 1, 2018

Trustee Keith Gray stated that the minutes from the August 1, 2018 Public Services & Safety Committee meeting were being presented for approval. Mike DeVivo made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 1, 2018 meeting; seconded by Todd Fanfara. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Reports and Communications.

a) Chairperson Report.

None

b) Fire District Reports-

None

c) Will County Sheriff Report-

Lt. Jim Holuj reported a meeting with Bengston's and Konow's will be occurring prior to their festivals with representatives from the Village, Fire, Police and Highway Departments attending. Lt. Holuj also reported there has been a number of break ins of vehicles which have been left unlocked. Also increased patrols have been occurring in the area of the Chickasaw subdivision due the increased traffic associated with the culvert replacement on Parker.

d) Emergency Management Agency Report-

John Robinson reported EMA assisted with a road closure associated with a car into an electric pole event which occurred on August 23rd. 151st between Arboretum and Eagle Ridge was closed for a period of time.

e) Homer Township Highway Department Report-

Mike DeVivo reported the replacement and repairs of the Parker Rd. culvert will have the road closed for about another week depending on the weather. The road patching and guardrail replacement still need to occur. They have not received their salt allotment but have been told it will be arriving soon.

f) Development Services Director Report

Mike Salamowicz reported work has started on the 159th St. water main and sanitary sewer has started and should be completed and should take about 6 to 8 weeks with the sanitary work being done in two phases commencing in the spring.

g) Building Official Report-

Joe Baber reported on a speeding complaint he receives almost weekly from a resident on Woodland Dr.

7. Public Comments –

Resident John Reinche presented a petition signed by a number of Crystal Lake Dr. residents requesting installation a stop signs at the intersections of Crystal Lake Dr. and Rycon Dr. and Crystal Lake Dr. and Crystal Lake Ct. Discussion occurred with the committee regarding this request. Jerry Gianfranciso also commented on the same topic and request. Rene Zimecki commented on the speeding which is occurring on Woodcrest and this also was discussed by the committee.

8. Old Business-

a) Code Update to Village's Wireless Communication Facilities Regulations

Mr. Stu Chapman highlighted the changes to the Village Code as it relates to wireless communication facilities. It included the discussion on the small wireless equipment and there potential locations for installations. The added requirement for the co-location of emergency responder equipment on towers was also discussed. Additional language and review will occur between Mr. Chapman and Planner Vijay Gadde. The committee supported the proposed changes to the Village code regarding this topic.

b) Monthly Public Safety Awareness Program – National Preparedness

Joe Baber commented that information for the Village's web sites has been forwarded to Sue Steilen for posting.

c) Woodcrest Ave. & Meath Dr. Traffic Updates

Joe Baber presented data on these two locations and additional discussion occurred among the committee. Lt. Holuj commented the WCSD will continue to focus on these areas as much as possible.

9. New Business

a) Heritage Circle Speed Limit

Discussion occurred regarding the lowering of the Heritage Circle speed limit from the current 25mph to 15mph. All agreed and were in favor of this proposal due to activities which will be occurring in the Heritage Park area and the parking configuration.

b) Gated properties

Joe Baber asked as policy clarification the required width for emergency vehicles to access properties which have pillars and gates at their entrances. Todd Fanfara stated this width should be 20 feet and have a clear access opening.

c) Storm water Management on Agricultural Properties

Joe Baber requested support from the committee for the investigation regarding changes to the storm water management portion of the Village code. He explained a number of issues have occurred on agricultural properties not being used for agricultural purposes and adjustments being made to the landscape and water issues now arising from these changes.

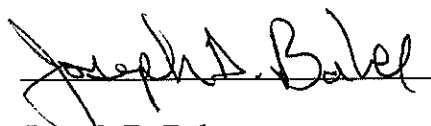
d) Sidewalk Inventory

A listing and map of the sidewalk, curb and ditch inventory in the Village was presented to the committee. Discussion occurred regarding the potential use of this information for cost estimates and grant monies to be used for improvements.

10. Adjournment

Motion by John Robinson, seconded by Mike DeVivo. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted:



Joseph D. Baber
Chief Building Official