



**VILLAGE OF BARTLETT**  
**BOARD MINUTES**  
**March 7, 2023**

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1. CALL TO ORDER

President Wallace called the regular meeting of March 7, 2023 of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bartlett to order on the above date at 7:06 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski and President Wallace

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Village Administrator Paula Schumacher, Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki, Economic Development Coordinator Tony Fradin, Sr. Management Analyst Samuel Hughes, Management Analyst Joey Dienberg, Finance Director Todd Dowden, Asst. Finance Director Matt Coulter, Public Works Director Dan Dinges, Assistant Public Works Director Tyler Isham, Public Works Engineer Bob Allen, Planning and Development Director Kristy Stone, Head Golf Professional Phil Lenz, Grounds Superintendent Matt Giermak, Food & Beverage Manager Paul Peterson, Police Chief Geoff Pretkelis, Deputy Chief Jim Durbin, Deputy Chief Will Naydenoff and Village Clerk Lorna Giles.

3. INVOCATION – Pastor Jim DiPalma from Encounter Church gave the invocation.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. CONSENT AGENDA

President Wallace stated that all items marked with an asterisk on the agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. He further stated that there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member so requests, in which event, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered at the appropriate point on the agenda. He asked if there were any items a Board member wished to remove from the Consent Agenda, or any items a Board member wished to add to the Consent Agenda.

There were no additions or subtractions to the Consent Agenda.

President Wallace then recited each item that was on the Consent Agenda, including the nature of the matters being considered and other information to inform the public of



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matters being voted upon. He then stated that he would entertain a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda, and the items designated to be approved by consent therein.

Trustee Deyne moved to Approve the Consent Agenda and that motion was seconded by Trustee Suwanski.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEMS THEREIN**

**AYES:** Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
**MOTION CARRIED**

6. MINUTES – Covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.
7. BILL LIST – Covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.
8. TREASURER’S REPORT - None
9. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Wallace stated that with the advice and consent of the Village Board, he appoints Jay Doherty to serve a 2-year term on the Bike and Run Plan Advisory Committee beginning March 21, 2023 and expiring March 21, 2025.

Trustee Deyne moved to Concur to the Appointment of Jay Doherty to the Bike and Run Plan Advisory Committee for a 2-year term and that motion was seconded by Trustee LaPorte.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPOINT JAY DOHERTY TO A 2-YEAR TERM ON THE BIKE AND RUN PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**AYES:** Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
**MOTION CARRIED**

10. QUESTION/ANSWER: PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES

Trustee Hopkins asked for an update on Route 59 and West Bartlett Roads.



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Public Works Director Dan Dinges stated that the traffic is from NPL relocating gas lines for NICOR. He has been informed by IDOT that the underground storm sewer and water main will be relocated in the next couple of weeks. They will start with this since the pipeline is on the north side and hopefully by the time they are ready to go to the north side the pipeline will be done. The intersection work is starting and we can expect closures, traffic and all that fun stuff starting any day now.

Trustee Hopkins asked if they would finish by the end of the year.

Mr. Dinges stated that he didn't think it would be one hundred percent complete. They are hoping that the lane improvements and widening portion will be done, leaving just restoration type stuff next spring. They are hoping the bulk of it would get done this construction season.

Village Administrator Paula Schumacher stated that they are also going to have further information in the Bartletter which comes out in April. The Police Department has been working on their enforcement and some of the obvious cut through areas.

Trustee Hopkins thanked President Wallace for going to a Roundtable with Cook County Representative Toni Preckwinkle. He was aware that they talked about Naperville Road and wondered if there was any traction with any type of meetings to help to reduce speeds or truck traffic.

Ms. Schumacher stated that miraculously after their meeting at the Roundtable, they got a response from Cook County Department of Transportation recognizing what the village has asked them to do. They are looking at the counts and re-evaluating once the construction starts.

Mr. Dinges stated that once construction begins they will look at speed limit reductions, etc.

Ms. Schumacher stated that they agreed to do the monitoring we asked them to do. They originally got a "no way" response but she believes that the pressure from the commissioner and presidents office changed their mind.

President Wallace stated that it was immediate results after meeting with Toni Preckwinkle. He stated that staff should reach out to the residents that came before the board.



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Trustee LaPorte stated that the police and the village do a great job on social media so he would like them to be proactive about the construction concerns on Route 59 and West Bartlett Road with the residents.

Trustee Suwanski asked if they anticipated people detouring through different parts of the village.

Police Chief Geoff Pretkelis stated that they are ready. They have already put speed counters out on Park Place and Naperville Road. They will also be on Oak and North and Western and potentially on Spaulding. They want to get ahead of everything before things get really bad. The traffic pattern is beginning to change already with the lane reductions.

Trustee Deyne recognized staff birthdays and anniversaries.

He talked about an ex-Trustee Jim Herbison who passed away recently. He expressed his regrets.

#### 11. TOWN HALL

**Robert Doeringsfeld, 694 Foster Avenue**

Mr. Doeringsfeld talked about the ice storm last week and stated that the village did not pick up all the brush on Foster Avenue.

Trustee Deyne stated that the brush pick-up required a phone call to Public Works but he didn't think everyone got the message.

Mr. Doeringsfeld asked how people were to know that they had to call. When neighbors see other neighbors putting out their brush, they do the same. He thought this policy should be reviewed. Secondly, he stated that he lives at a very dangerous intersection. The Sycamore Lane and Foster Avenue intersection is very dangerous. He has had interaction with Trustee Gandsey and a half dozen other police officers. They have started to enforce the no parking at the student drop off, which is improvement. However, they are not enforcing most of the traffic violations there. Every day he sees illegal passing, illegal left turns and it is not getting any better. This morning in a ten-minute time frame there were fifteen violations at that intersection. He would like to see the village take a more serious action and ticket people.

Chief Pretkelis stated that they have been out there and have put up signage. He stated that it is not illegal to pass over there per the Illinois vehicle code, which they have to follow.



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Mr. Doeringsfeld stated that he is wrong, he is a municipal engineer and covers traffic. You cannot pass within one hundred feet of an intersection or within a posted urban school zone or pass any car stopped at a crosswalk. All three of those occur in the morning and in the evening. Now that the weather is better, it is less cars. When the weather gets bad, two to three dozen cars will make illegal passing actions.

President Wallace stated that they will look into it.

## 12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

### A. BUILDING & ZONING COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN HOPKINS

Trustee Hopkins stated that there was no report.

### B. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN GANDSEY

Trustee Gandsey stated that attracting a second grocery store to the village has been the top economic development priority for the past nine years since Dominick's Finer Foods closed. Staff has engaged with over a dozen grocers including Aldi for many years in an effort to attract a store to town, culminating in a series of meetings and communications throughout 2022. In a meeting with Aldi executives, Village President Wallace and the economic development team, agreed on the attached incentive package to attract a freestanding prototype store to the Streets of Bartlett in downtown. The Incentive Agreement consists of a \$250,000 infrastructure grant for site development, a waiver of all of the village's customary fees (valued at \$30,000), and a sales tax rebate of 50% of the sales tax revenues collected by the village until the sum of \$220,000 has been rebated. The Economic Incentive Agreement details the conditions and expectations by both the village and Aldi, Inc. to bring this highly successful grocery store to downtown Bartlett this year.

Trustee Gandsey moved to approve Resolution 2023-17-R, a Resolution Approving of an Economic Incentive Agreement between the Village of Bartlett and Aldi for an Aldi grocery store and that motion was seconded by Trustee Deyne.

Aldi Director of Real Estate Chris Stair stated that this store will be the latest, greatest prototype. The store will be very economically efficient. It will include curbside pickup like DoorDash, Instacart and self-checkout, which they are piloting as well. This store will offer everything that they carry. They are looking forward to being here. They want to get started as soon as they can and get through the permitting process. The goal is to start this summer at the latest and open this year. Transformers are about a year out to get but will push as hard as they can to make it happen.



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Trustee Suwanski asked if the waiver of fees is capped at \$30,000.

President Wallace stated that is about what it averages.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-17-R APPROVING AN  
ECONOMIC INCENTIVE AGREEMENT WITH ALDI FOR A GROCERY STORE**

AYES: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**C. FINANCE & GOLF COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN DEYNE**

Trustee Deyne stated that there was nothing to report.

**D. LICENSE & ORDINANCE COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN GUNSTEEN**

Trustee Gunsteen stated that there was nothing to report.

**E. POLICE & HEALTH COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN SUWANSKI**

Trustee Suwanski stated that there was nothing to report.

**F. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN, CHAIRMAN LAPORTE**

Trustee LaPorte stated that Resolution 2023-18-R, a Resolution Approving of a Professional Services Agreement Between the Village of Bartlett and Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. for the Country Creek Streambank Stabilization Phase 1 Engineering; Resolution 2023-19-R, a Resolution Approving of the Pipeline License Agreement for a Sanitary Sewer Connection Between Metra and the Village of Bartlett; Resolution 2023-20-R, a Resolution Approving of the Pipeline License Agreement for a Watermain Connection Between Metra and the Village of Bartlett were covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

**13. NEW BUSINESS**

President Wallace stated that On the Rocks by Bobby has applied for a Class A liquor license.

He stated that if there were no objections from the Board he would issue the Class A



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liquor license.

**14. QUESTION/ANSWER PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES**

Trustee Suwanski stated that once Aldi is completed, are we anticipating a lot of increased traffic at the corner of Devon and Main.

Ms. Schumacher stated that the average daily trips is seven hundred per day and that is their anticipated increase.

Trustee Suwanski asked if the intersection would accommodate that or will it be addressed as we go along.

Planning and Development Director Kristy Stone stated that they are county roads and have a higher capacity. It will handle that without a problem.

Trustee LaPorte stated that he saw some concerns on social media and his first thought was that Gorski's was there for multiple years. The complex is built for a grocery store.

Trustee Gunsteen stated that increased traffic will stimulate more growth in the downtown. He was confident of that.

Trustee Hopkins spoke about outages and some residents that were out of power for over 30 hours after the last ice storm. He would like ComEd to answer if Bartlett is on par with capital improvements in our village compared to other municipalities they serve. His thought is that some of the issues are with antiquated with power lines and the durations of those power outages are too long for our residents. He would like them to come before the board and answer these questions.

President Wallace agreed that it must have something to do with antiquated equipment. Across the street from his home, his neighbors have outages all the time. It must have something to do with the equipment or not enough tree trimming, etc.

Trustee Hopkins asked when the franchise expires.

Ms. Schumacher stated that they are long term greements (50 years).

President Wallace asked for feedback on equipment updates, etc.

Trustee Laporte stated that the village gets beat up for a lot of things that they are doing incorrectly. It goes back to communicating with residents (like the situation on Naperville



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Road with Cook County and the power outage with ComEd). We are the purveyors of these organizations and need to make them accountable to the residents.

Trustee Gandsey stated that she received an email from a resident asking about bike racks by the new Aldi.

Ms. Stone stated that in their review letter, they are required to install 4-6 bicycle racks and she has heard from their engineer that this will be included.

15. ADJOURN

President Wallace stated that the Board will adjourn and there will be a Committee of the Whole meeting immediately following.

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Suwanski moved to adjourn the regular Board meeting and that motion was seconded by Trustee Hopkins.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO ADJOURN

AYES: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Lorna Gilles  
Village Clerk