

VILLAGE OF BARTLETT PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES November 21, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Wallace called the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing to order on the above date at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustee Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Hopkins, Gabrenya, Reinke, and

President Wallace

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Village Administrator Paula Schumacher, Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki, Finance Director Todd Dowden, Community Development Director Jim Plonczynski, Director of Public Works Dan Dinges, Public Works Engineer Bob Allen, Building Director Brian Goralski, Head Golf Professional Phil Lenz, Chief Patrick Ullrich, Deputy Chief Chuck Snider, Deputy Chief Geoff Pretkelis, Village Attorney Bryan Mraz and Village Clerk Lorna Giless.

Finance Director Todd Dowden stated that this public hearing is for public input on the 2017 Village of Bartlett property tax levy. We have been discussing the tax levy at the last Committee meeting. The proposed Village of Bartlett property tax levy totals \$10,933,187. The General Corporate levy is flat from the prior year. Combined with the Police Pension levy, the General Corporate and Police Pension levy have decreased 0.20% from the 2016 extension. The debt service levy has increased 6.20%. In total, the levy has been increased \$167,009 or 1.55% from the 2016 extension.

2017 tax rates from Cook, DuPage and Kane Counties will be determined in the spring of 2018 when both counties finalize EAV's for the 2017 tax levy.

This levy that is presented to the Village Board on December 19th for final approval and the levy will be filed with each county clerk no later than December 26, 2017.

President Wallace asked if any member of the public wished to offer written or oral testimony.



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3. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Hopkins to adjourn the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing and was seconded by Trustee Camerer.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO ADJOURN

AYES: Trustees Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Gabrenya, Hopkins, Reinke

NAYS: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Lorna Giless Village Clerk



1. CALL TO ORDER

President Wallace called the regular meeting of November 21, 2017 of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bartlett to order on the above date at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustee Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Hopkins, Gabrenya, Reinke, and

President Wallace

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Village Administrator Paula Schumacher, Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki, Finance Director Todd Dowden, Community Development Director Jim Plonczynski, Director of Public Works Dan Dinges, Public Works Engineer Bob Allen, Building Director Brian Goralski, Head Golf Professional Phil Lenz, Chief Patrick Ullrich, Deputy Chief Chuck Snider, Deputy Chief Geoff Pretkelis, Village Attorney Bryan Mraz and Village Clerk Lorna Giless.

- 3. INVOCATION Pastor Jim Dipalma from Encounter Church of Bartlett gave the invocation.
- 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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.

Trustee Reinke stated that he would like to add items 1 and 2 under the Public Works (Resolution 2017-147-R, a Resolution Approving the Agreement Between the Village of Bartlett and Metra and 2017-148-R, a Resolution of Support for the Submittal of an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant for the Renovation of the Existing Downtown Crosswalks and Curbs for ADA Compliance, Additional Mid-Block Crossings and Pedestrian Signage) to the Consent Agenda.



Trustee Hopkins moved to amend the Consent Agenda to add items 1 and 2 under the Public Works (Resolution 2017-147-R, a Resolution Approving the Agreement Between the Village of Bartlett and Metra and 2017-148-R, a Resolution of Support for the Submittal of an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant for the Renovation of the Existing Downtown Crosswalks and Curbs for ADA Compliance, Additional Mid-Block Crossings and Pedestrian Signage) and that motion was seconded by Trustee Camerer.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO AMEND THE CONSENT AGENDA

AYES: Trustees Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Gabrenya, Hopkins, Reinke

NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED

President Wallace then recited each item that was originally on the Consent Agenda and each item that was added to the Consent Agenda, including the nature of the matters being considered and other information to inform the public of matters being voted upon on the Amended Consent Agenda. He then stated that he would entertain a motion to approve the Amended Consent Agenda, and the items designated to be approved by consent therein.

Trustee Camerer moved to approve the Amended Consent Agenda, and all items designated to be approved by consent therein as amended, and that motion was seconded by Trustee Hopkins.

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

AYES: Trustees Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Gabrenya, Hopkins, Reinke

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

Village Treasurer/Finance Director Todd Dowden stated that this was the September Treasurer's Report. Motor Fuel Tax distribution through July, 2017 totaled \$89,970. That is \$437 over July of last year. He then presented the Municipal Sales Tax Report through



July, 2017, and stated it totaled \$224,268 which is up \$13,000 from the prior year or 6%. Next month, he will present the six month review.

9. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Wallace read a Proclamation for National Impaired Driving Prevention Month in December, 2017.

10. QUESTION/ANSWER: PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES - None

11. TOWN HALL

George Koziol, 654 Hazelnut Court

Mr. Koziol stated that at the last Village Board/Committee of the Whole meeting, he couldn't help but be interested in the discussion about one suggestion put forth in the TOD project that will be implemented with a grant covering at least a part and maybe all of the cost. I had to say, "job well done" to staff for locating the grant money.

Another topic was discussed and he was very interested in this topic. The item that was mentioned is the relocation of the west bound train station from the west side of Oak Avenue to the east side of Oak Avenue, directly across from the actual train station of today. A number of things concerned him. There was a study done and public meetings were held. A final report and proposal happened in August of 2009. There was a consensus of resident, commuters, business owners and Metra which resulted in what we have today, the split platform. People wanted the split platform for a few reasons. With the train having cleared Oak Avenue, it would be possible to raise the crossing gate and get traffic moving sooner. This is what the business owners and residents wanted to see happen. Now they say that they don't like the result because people have to walk too far to get to where their cars are parked. In addition, the riders now have to cross Oak Avenue, traffic is now flowing and they must wait for a break in traffic. This is a danger to both drivers and pedestrians. If the train station platform were to move to the east, it is very likely that commuters would be disappointed in the long walk to the far west parking lot. How do we make everyone happy?

Costs were and still are a big concern to me and should be to everyone involved. It was stated that with no grant money, the relocation of the platform could cost \$4,000,000, all from Bartlett. With funds from a grant at 50%, the cost to Bartlett might be approximately \$2,000,000. Does the Village of Bartlett have this kind of money available and not needed elsewhere? I don't think so. He went to the TOD Plan final report looking for additional information. On pages 14 - 16, there is a section called Study Area Overview - Metra Rail Ridership. Read this section of the TOD, it tells you a lot of the reality and history of the train station and surrounding area.



Here I found some ridership numbers:

1983	669 riders
1995	1,213 riders
2006	1,064 riders
2014	1,081 riders

If the cost of relocation was passed along to the riders, the actual per user, it would look like this based on a ridership of 1,200:

# Riders \$4,000,000 \$2,00	,000,000
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2014 1,200 \$3,333 / rider \$1,667 / rider

Would the riders, a rather small number, compared to the total population of Bartlett (41,945 as of 7-31-17), be willing to pay for this project out of their own pockets? I don't think this would happen. If the riders are not willing to fund the project, where will the money come from? Are we willing to ask all residents of the Village if it is okay to raise taxes by some amount for a period of time to make the Metra riders happy by moving the platform? It is possible that the vast majority of residents might just say "no" to a tax increase to fund the moving of the train platform a few feet, from the west side of Oak Avenue to the east side of Oak Avenue. Maybe, just maybe, there is a project, like sewers, that might be a better, more needed place to spend the hard earned tax dollars of our citizens. I think we need to look long and hard at a project such as this when there are other, more urgent projects that require funding.

Jim Lemberg, 807 Redwood

Mr. Lemberg stated that back in 1979, Trustees worked very hard for a year coming up with the present Plan Commission and Zoning Board. The composition of the Plan Commissioners reflects a range of experience, perspective and opinion. The residents on these commissions play a vital role in shaping our community. They have all given of their time and effort and for some, a very long time. He stated that he has been on the Plan Commission for +38 years. It is their work, in part, that the Plan Commission played, that has brought us where we are today.

Robert Hansen, 74 First Avenue

Mr. Hansen stated that there is a Goodwill store in town that is not actually a charity. It takes in about \$2 million dollars in annual revenue from the goods donated by our citizens. His thought is to open up a store that will help people locally this these proceeds that our town is generously giving. He spoke to several police officers who told him that most of their calls were of a domestic nature. He stated that there are a lot of women that don't know how to leave with their children as well as homeless people. He stated that Goodwill channels most of the money they receive to Wisconsin. He felt that the money that is generated could be used for our town and a better community. His concept is to open up a store anywhere in town and offered to set up concerts to fund the initial phase. He was looking for assistance on the idea of how to get this revenue to the people in need.



President Wallace stated that he will have the Community Development team reach out to him and brainstorm some ideas.

Jerry Kallas, 1040 Lakewood Drive

Mr. Kallas stated that he was a Trustee in 1978-79 and worked on setting up the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. They worked sometimes 6 to 7 days a week to get this going. He believed that the people that are commission members are good at what they are doing. He doesn't understand why they want to combine these commissions. He stated that the people on the Plan Commission are very thoughtful individuals. If the Board chooses to combine these commissions, are you going to get rid of people in order to have a smaller amount of commissioners? It did not make sense to him. He stated that he has been on the Plan Commission for over 25 years and he loves what he is doing and thinks he does a good job. He hoped that they would decide to keep the commissions separate.

John Eallonardo with the Frederick Quinn Company

Mr. Eallonardo gave the following update on the new police facility. He stated that the plan that they put together last month is being executed. They continue to work on the structure of the building, the steel, the masonry stairs and elevator towers and the concrete basement foundation walls over the course of the next couple of weeks and will continue in the same manner. The balance of the building structural steel will get set on Monday next week and hopefully we'll see the roof trusses and the roof assembly go together by the end of next week and they will work on getting the building enclosed.

12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN HOPKINS

Trustee Hopkins stated that there was no report.

B. BUILDING COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN GABRENYA

Trustee Gabrenya stated that there was no report.

C. FINANCE & GOLF COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN DEYNE

Trustee Deyne presented the 2017 Estimated Property Tax Levy and asked the Finance Director to proceed.

Finance Director Todd Dowden stated this is a procedural item where they need to establish the estimated levy before they could pass the levy ordinance. The estimated property tax levy for 2017 totals \$10,933,187.



Trustee Deyne moved to approve the 2017 estimated property tax levy of \$10,933,187 and was seconded by Trustee Hopkins.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE ESTIMATED 2017 PROPERTY TAX LEVY OF \$10,933,187

AYES: Trustees Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Gabrenya, Hopkins, Reinke

NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Deyne stated that Resolution 2017-149-R, a Resolution Approving of the Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Illinois Office of the Comptroller and the Village of Bartlett Regarding Access to the Comptroller's Local Debt Recovery Program was covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

D. LICENSE & ORDINANCE COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN CAMERER

Trustee Camerer stated that there was no report.

E. POLICE & HEALTH COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN CARBONARO

Trustee Carbonaro stated that there was no report.

F. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN REINKE

Trustee Reinke stated that Resolution 2017-147-R, a Resolution Approving the Agreement Between the Village of Bartlett and Metra; Resolution 2017-148-R, a Resolution of Support for the Submittal of an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant for the Renovation of the Existing Downtown Crosswalks and Curbs for ADA Compliance, Additional Mid-Block Crossings and Pedestrian Signage; the purchase of one Utility Service Van and Ordinance 2017-150, an Ordinance Accepting the Public Improvements for Exeter – Lot 9C1 in Brewster Creek Business Park were covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

13. NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Camerer commented that the Christmas lights looked nice and things are starting to look festive.

Administrator Schumacher stated that the tree lighting will be on December 1.

Trustee Deyne asked if anyone looked at the quality of that tree.



Administrator Schumacher stated that they were talking about that tree in staff today and it is getting a little sparse. They will have the arborist take a look at it and will most likely be on the hunt for a new tree.

14. QUESTION/ANSWER: PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES

President Wallace stated that the golf simulator is open and ready for use so plan your parties over the holidays. He asked if there were any leagues this year.

Head Golf Professional Phil Lenz stated that there is a league of 8 people that will be there a couple of nights a week playing and they are doing promotions to get additional people there in the evening.

15. ADJOURNMENT

President Wallace stated that upon adjournment of this meeting, the Board will be moving into the Committee of the Whole meeting.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE TO ADJOURN

AYES: Trustees Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Gabrenya, Hopkins, Reinke

NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Lorna Giless Village Clerk