

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE OF THE VILLAGE OF WILLOWBROOK HELD ON  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2015 AT THE WILLOWBROOK POLICE  
STATION BUILDING, 7760 QUINCY STREET, IN THE VILLAGE OF  
WILLOWBROOK, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mistele called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Those present at roll call were Chairman Michael Mistele, Trustee Paul Oggerino, and Village Administrator Tim Halik.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) After review of the draft minutes from the October 12, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Municipal Services Committee, Trustee Oggerino made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Chairman Mistele seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. REPORT – Proposed Water Main Replacement Project, Ridgemoor West Subdivision

Administrator Halik advised the committee that recently, public works crews responded to a water main break located near the intersection of Willow Lane and Stough Street. The water main in this area is among the oldest mains in town. Upon excavation, the water main pipe was found to be in severely deteriorated condition. This is relatively common for older water mains if they are buried in corrosive type soils. This section of main was in such poor condition that repair was difficult and another break was caused nearby by merely stressing the ground with heavy equipment for the first dig. As a result of this incident, staff has considered a partial water main replacement project for this area and has solicited several proposals based on several different replacement scenarios. Halik summarized three different options to repair this main. The first including the replacement of the immediate area of deteriorated main at an estimated cost of \$8,000. The second option would consist of replacing the entire length of main to the next valve, at an estimated cost of \$26,760. The third option would be to re-route the water main and abandon this deteriorated section. Halik explained that the third option is possible given there are redundant water mains along both sides of the street. Halik further stated that he had reviewed this third option with the Village engineer to determine whether this plan would have any negative hydraulic effect. The engineer reviewed the proposal and did not have any concerns. Halik recommended that the section of main be monitored over the winter and the third option be budgeted for in FY 2106/17 and completed after May 1, 2016. The Committee was in agreement and further stated that if the section of main experienced another break before May of 2016, crews should just perform this work at that time. Halik agreed.

5. REPORT – Plumbing Ordinance Approval by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)

Administrator Halik advised the Committee that in March of this year, the Village received a letter from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) advising us of changes to the Lake Michigan Allocation Rules and Regulations. These new regulations became effective on November 18, 2014 and require that the Village adopt two (2) new provisions within our

plumbing code. The first is to add a provision requiring that new and replacement plumbing fixtures be labeled WaterSense products. The second to adopt water conservation requirements that restrict non-essential outside water use. These changes were to be made to our plumbing ordinance by September 30, 2015. Halik explained that the Village's plumbing code is an adoption of the Illinois State Plumbing Code minimum standards with several local amendments to make areas of the code more restrictive, such as in the area of protection from potable water contamination (i.e., backflow prevention). Any amendments to the ISPC first requires approval from the Illinois Department of Public Health. There is a pre-approval process that must be followed before a plumbing ordinance can be adopted locally. Halik advised that the Village submitted our proposed plumbing ordinance changes, including the IDNR required items, in August but soon after learned that the IDPH staff's interpretations of the Illinois Plumbing License Law has changed. They will no longer allow local amendments, such as our increased backflow prevention requirements, and will not allow local enforcement of plumbing regulations outside of an issued construction permit. Halik stated that these are substantial changes from the manner in which they have always viewed and enforced the statute. Staff regards these new positions by the IDPH as an overreach, as they are not derived from the language in the current statute, and unacceptable to the community. As such we have requested a compliance deadline extension from the IDNR while DMMC and some of our state elected officials we've reached out to try to engage the IDPH to reconsider their new positions relative to the local adoption of plumbing code requirements. The IDNR was well aware of the issues towns are experiencing with the IDPH and granted an extension to 12/31/15 to comply with their items. The Committee agreed with staff's position and urged that continued efforts be taken to oppose the IDPH stance in this matter. With regard to the IDNR required items, Chairman Mistele asked whether WaterSense fixtures are U.L. listed. Halik responded that he would find out.

6. REPORT – Municipal Services Department

- a. Administrator Halik reviewed the monthly permit activity report for the month of October 2015. The Village has taken in just over \$24,000 in permit revenue for the month. Halik advised that in total for the first six months of fiscal year 2015/16, the Village has received approximately 118% of the anticipated FY2015/16 budgeted revenue.
- b. Administrator Halik shared the water system pumpage report for September 2015. The report indicates that the Village pumped 32,623,000 gallons of water in the month, bringing the total amount pumped for the first five months of the fiscal year to 161,081,000 gallons. Halik stated that we have pumped about 1% more water so far this year as compared to the same time frame last year. Halik shared that we are on track so far in reaching our estimated pumpage projection for the year of 350,000,000 gallons.

7. VISITOR'S BUSINESS

(None)

8. COMMUNICATIONS

(None)

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Chairman Mistele and seconded by Trustee Oggerino. The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 PM.