

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GURNEE VILLAGE BOARD  
GURNEE VILLAGE HALL  
DECEMBER 1, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Mayor Rudny.

Roll Call, Present: Kovarik, Damijonaitis, Chamberlain, Balmes, Thoma, Wasser  
Absent: None.

Other officials present: James T. Hayner, Village Administrator  
Rudolph Magna, Village Attorney  
Brad Burke, Assistant Village Administrator  
Patricia Wesolowski, Director of Finance  
Robert Jones, Chief of Police  
Fred Friedl, Fire Chief  
Tim Tanner, Fire Captain  
John Kavanagh, Firefighter

Mayor Rudny led the Pledge of Allegiance.

From the audience, Ms. Katie Spies, President of the Lake County Chamber of Commerce, stated she had posters to distribute regarding the Holiday Train stopping in Gurnee again this year. This event was such a success last year, the train is stopping again. This event benefits the Northern Illinois Food Bank, which supports food pantries throughout Lake County. She thanked the Village of Gurnee for its support of this event.

From the audience, Mr. Edwin Nowikowski, 4149 Oglesby, asked why the brush pickup could not be extended?

The Village Administrator stated the contract with Waste Management is up for renewal and that is one of the items that will be discussed.

Mr. Nowikowski stated southbound traffic makes a U-turn around the island on Greenleaf even though the sign states no U-Turns are allowed.

The Village Administrator stated that intersection was part of a federally funded project requiring the island.

Trustee Damijonaitis stated the island is there because of dual left turn lanes on the northbound side of Greenleaf.

Mr. Nowikowski stated there should be a left turn lane for southbound traffic.

From the audience, Ms. Nancy Nowikowski stated even the ambulances make a U-turn on Greenleaf to get to the doctor's offices.

Mayor Rudny stated Village staff will take a look at the problem.

Wasser moved, seconded by Thoma, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call, Aye: Kovarik, Damijonaitis, Chamberlain, Balmes, Thoma, Wasser  
Nay: None.  
Absent: None. Motion Carried.

The Village Administrator read the consent agenda for an omnibus vote as follows:

1. Approval of Ord. 2003-87 abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2003 to pay debt service on \$4,400,000.00 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2000 of the Village of Gurnee, Lake County, Illinois, and to publish in pamphlet form, and

2. Approval of Ord. 2003-88 abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2003 to pay debt service on \$1,635,000.00 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2002 of the Village of Gurnee, Lake County, Illinois, and to publish in pamphlet form, and
3. Approval of Ord. 2003-89 abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2003 to pay debt service on \$10,000,000.00 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2002B of the Village of Gurnee, Lake County, Illinois, and to publish in pamphlet form, and
4. Approval of Ord. 2003-90 abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2003 to pay debt service on \$1,775,000.00 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2003 of the Village of Gurnee, Lake County, Illinois, and to publish in pamphlet form, and
5. Approval of Ord. 2003-91 rezoning property from the R-2 district to the R-3 district on the petition of Robert Kofler (3659 Sherman Avenue), and to publish in pamphlet form, and
6. Approval of proposed 2004 Village Board meeting schedule, and
7. Approval of proposed transfer of up to \$800,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund to the Police Station Construction Fund, and
8. Approval of pay request from Boller Construction in the amount of \$1,032,658.69 for work on the Police Station, and
9. Approval of Payroll for the period ending November 20, 2003 in the amount of \$499,178.14, and
10. Approval of Payroll Transfer Journal for the period ending November 20, 2003 in the amount of \$526,084.75.

Thoma moved, seconded by Balmes, to approve the consent agenda for an omnibus vote as read.

Roll Call,	Aye:	Kovarik, Damijonaitis, Chamberlain, Balmes, Thoma, Wasser
	Nay:	None.
	Absent:	None.

Motion Carried.

Mayor Rudny, Fire Chief Fred Friedl, Captain Tim Tanner and Firefighter John Kavanagh presented certificates of completion to the members of the Gurnee Citizens Fire Academy Class of 2003. The Class of 2003 presented the Fire Department with a plaque, photo album and gift certificates. They thanked the Fire Department for teaching the class with knowledge and humor.

The Village Administrator stated the Village had received a request from the Gurnee Days Corporation for \$25,000.00 in funding for fireworks and entertainment for Gurnee Days 2004. This request is consistent with the Village's support over the past few years. This is not a final commitment until approved as part of the 2004-2005 budget.

Chamberlain moved, seconded by Wasser, to approve including the request from Gurnee Days Corporation for \$25,000.00 in funding for fireworks and entertainment for Gurnee Days 2004 in the 2004-2005 budget.

Roll Call,	Aye:	Kovarik, Damijonaitis, Chamberlain, Balmes, Thoma, Wasser
	Nay:	None.
	Absent:	None.

Motion Carried.

Mayor Rudny stated the Holiday Train would be stopping in Gurnee on December 9, 2003, at 6:45 p.m. There will be pre-train activities in Viking Park. He encouraged citizens to participate in this event for a worthy cause.

Trustee Thoma stated she wished to thank Connie Dinsmore of the Building Department for organizing the 5<sup>th</sup> annual LaCASA gift drive. The gifts were delivered this morning.

The Village Administrator stated the Village received a grant in the amount of approximately \$117,000.00 from FEMA for exhaust systems in both fire stations. The grant should cover 90% of the costs of installing the systems.

The Village Administrator stated the Village Board received a copy of a memo from the Director of Finance regarding a review of the cost proposal for \$5,000,000.00 in additional umbrella insurance coverage. The minimum premium for five months of coverage is \$25,000.00. The cost at renewal in May is \$25,000.00 for twelve months. The Village Administrator stated this is expensive coverage. The coverage can't extend for a longer period of time because the underlying policy renews in May.

The consensus of the Village Board was to wait until renewal in May to acquire the additional coverage.

Wasser moved, seconded by Chamberlain, to adjourn the meeting into Executive Session in reference to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6) The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body, and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) Litigation when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting, and to invite the Village Administrator, the Village Attorney, and the Chief of Police to attend.

Roll Call,     Aye:             Kovarik, Damijonaitis, Chamberlain, Balmes, Thoma, Wasser  
                   Nay:             None.  
                   Absent:          None.                             Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned into Executive Session at 8:02 p.m. by Mayor Rudny.

The meeting was recalled to order at 9:10 p.m. by Mayor Rudny.

Roll Call,     Present:        Kovarik, Damijonaitis, Chamberlain, Balmes, Thoma, Wasser  
                   Absent:        None.

Other officials present:   James T. Hayner, Village Administrator  
                                   Rudolph Magna, Village Attorney  
                                   Robert Jones, Chief of Police

Mayor Rudny stated the executive session had been in reference to the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council Gurnee Lodge No. 266 agreement, the sale of Village property and litigation.

Damijonaitis moved, seconded by Chamberlain, to approve Ord. 2003-92 approving an agreement between the Village of Gurnee and the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council Gurnee Lodge No. 266, and to publish in pamphlet form.

Roll Call,     Aye:             Kovarik, Damijonaitis, Chamberlain, Balmes, Thoma, Wasser  
                   Nay:             None.  
                   Absent:          None.                             Motion Carried.

Thoma moved, seconded by Chamberlain, to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call,     Aye:             Kovarik, Damijonaitis, Chamberlain, Balmes, Thoma, Wasser  
                   Nay:             None.  
                   Absent:          None.                             Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m. by Mayor Rudny.

Mary Jo Kollross,  
 Village Clerk