

MINUTES OF THE CONTINUED WORKSHOP MEETING
HELD BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ON THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2015

TRASH AND RECYCLING

CALL TO ORDER

Village President Billie D. Roth called the Workshop to order at 7:48 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee William Harper	Present	Trustee Mary Thon	Absent
Trustee Guy Patterson	Present	Trustee William Carlson	Present
Trustee Michael Baumer	Present	Trustee James Cecille	Present
President Billie D. Roth	Present		

All those answering “present” were physically present at the meeting.

Also present was Village Manager Gary O’Rourke, Public Works Director Matt Mann, Community Development Director John Peterson, Village Attorney Tom Bastian, Fire Chief Chris Clark, Police Chief Jim Gremo, Village Clerk Kittie Kopitke, Planning/HR Director Sharon Caddigan, Finance Director Mary Johnson, Assistant Finance Director Josh Peacock. Guest from Advanced Disposal Bob Pfister.

The initial workshop discussion took place on Thursday, February 26, 2015.

Mr. Bob Pfister of Advanced Disposal presented information regarding a possible transition to trash and recycling collection carts for Streamwood. He reviewed the roll out program which would take approximately 12 weeks, ideally in the summer months. The program includes a Communication Plan where Advanced would be working with Village staff to determine the type of communications with the residents, staging locations for the cart delivery and a timeline. He also reviewed the Outreach Plan that provides the residents specific information, introduces the available cart sizes, and allows them to request specific cart sizes or to “opt out” of the cart program. Mr. Pfister also stated that if a resident needs to change the size they’ve been given or selected, there is an allowed time frame to do so within the first several months of the rollout. There is also a time frame for those who initially “opt out” and then choose to “opt in.”

Assistant Finance Director Josh Peacock reviewed the results of a Northwest Municipal Conference Survey of 21 area municipalities’ trash and recycling services. Most are similar to Streamwood with “take all” service. Yardwaste collection is more often kraft bags with municipality specific stickers that must be purchased. The average cost per sticker to affix to a bag is \$2.30. The use of carts is “mandatory” in 15 communities, “optional” in 5 and “opt out” in one community. Streamwood is currently an optional community where the resident has the choice to rent carts from Advanced.

Mr. Peacock also reviewed average costs for trash/recycling services with carts for the survey respondents, noting that their single family price average is \$20.40 (Streamwood is \$18.46) and multi-family price average is \$16.94 (Streamwood is \$17.90/\$17.33). Streamwood’s housing mix is 60% single family and 40% multi-family units.

The Board and staff generally discussed the current collection program and also the potential to keep the “take all collection” while adding carts on an “opt out” basis. The current contract with Advanced allows for term extension, or the Board could direct staff to prepared an RFP. In review, in 2010 the Board requested an RFP and the pricing structure, even from the low bidder Advanced, was still higher than what had been discussed without preparation of the RFP. Attorney Tom Bastian confirmed that the Village has the ability, under the current contract, to negotiate a one, or up to three year extension.

Trustee Patterson asked specifically for cost estimates. Mr. Pfister stated costs will increase if the Village chooses NOT to use carts, and could very well stay at the current price with the addition of carts provided to all residents.

Trustee Cecille asked about those who are currently renting carts. Mr. Pfister stated that if the Village chose to contract with carts included for trash and recycling, all residents would be provided with a new trash and recycling cart of their size choice. Old carts would be removed, and recycled. Mr. Pfister also noted that if a cart is stolen, damaged, or taken when a resident moves, new carts are provided as well.

Trustee Carlson expressed concerns for the width of the carts and ability to use a garage service door. The carts were measured, and the 65 gal. cart (mid-size) is 24 inches wide and would fit through a standard service door.

Trustee Harper discussed ways for residents to individually identify “their” carts other than by the serial numbers. He also confirmed that if a resident has existing trash cans (not carts) that if they wish to dispose of them, they would be taken as trash. Mr. Pfister stated if they are clearly labeled as trash, they would be taken and recycled, depending on the material.

The Board briefly discussed yardwaste and the preference to stay with the current kraft bag or “yellow sticker on a can” system.

After additional discussion, the Board asked that staff work with Advanced for a possible contract extension, adding in the trash and recycling carts on a “opt out” basis. Staff indicated this was their recommendation to the Board as well.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Patterson moved to adjourn. Trustee Cecille seconded the motion. A voice vote approved the adjournment. The Village Board adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Billie D. Roth
Village President

Kittie L. Kopitke
Village Clerk

Approved this 19th day of March 2015.