

MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING
HELD BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2015

TRASH AND RECYCLING

CALL TO ORDER

Village President Billie D. Roth called the Workshop to order at 6:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee William Harper	Present	Trustee Mary Thon	Arrived 6:35 p.m.
Trustee Guy Patterson	Present	Trustee William Carlson	Present
Trustee Michael Baumer	Present	Trustee James Cecille	Arrived 6:45 p.m.
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, Code Enforcement Supervisor Deborah Carrion, Village Attorney Tom Bastian, Fire Chief Chris Clark, Police Chief Jim Gremo, Village Clerk Kattie Kopitke, Planning/HR Director Sharon Caddigan, Finance Director Mary Johnson, Assistant Finance Director Josh Peacock, Senior Accountant Lori Frankenthor. Guests from Advanced Disposal were Bob Pfister and Chris Rooney.

Staff provided the Board a brief verbal update of current events in their respective departments.

A brief recess was taken from 7:20 p.m. to 7:38 p.m.

Assistant Finance Director Josh Peacock reviewed the historical trash collection information in the Village, noting that recycling started 25 years ago, and that the current vendor has been with the Village for the past 10 years (originally Onyx, then Veolia and now Advanced Disposal – same company with name changes). With this vendor in 2005, the Village transitioned to four pickup days with a quadrant of the Village being collected on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Mr. Peacock noted that 25% of the residential customers currently rent trash and/or recycling totes from Advanced Disposal.

Bob Pfister from Advanced Disposal reviewed the existing collection programs offered by Advanced, and noted that Streamwood is a “take all” program; all trash and recycling left at the curb for collection is removed whether it is in a container, bags, toter, etc. and that no additional stickers are required. Mr. Pfister also reviewed the yardwaste collection program and noted that Streamwood’s current program works well with the use of basic paper yardwaste bags or the

optional \$1 Village “yellow sticker” that is affixed to a 33-gallon trash can and is reusable for an unlimited amount of time.

Mr. Pfister stated the advances within the trash collection industry and the move toward using toters for trash and recycling. He noted the advantages of using the toters, including the reduced costs for the company as well as less injuries, lifting issues, and wear and tear on the street surfaces. Mr. Pfister stated their industry experience has shown that households tend to recycle more with the toter than with a small bin. He reviewed the actual toters, showing a 35, 65 and 95 gallon size toter, and noted that most single family households would be well served with a 95 gallon toter for trash, and a 65 gallon toter for recycling needs. Mr. Pfister discussed potential options including an “opt out” program where residential customers would be provided one trash and one recycling toter and would be able to request the size suitable for their household needs and storage capabilities.

The Board generally discussed the opt out program possibilities, and differing needs for the various neighborhoods within the Village. Mr. Pfister concurred there are some unique situations where the toter program will not be the best option, and that those situations can be addressed individually within the contract language. They also discussed the ability to rent additional toters if wanted, or even the purchase of a toter for use in a household. Mr. Pfister stated Advanced is willing to structure any requests into their contract with the Village.

The Board discussed their concerns for trash that is spilled during collection and the responsibility for cleaning up. Mr. Rooney stated the drivers have, or should have, the necessary equipment in their truck to clean up and anything they have spilled during collection is to be cleaned. Mr. Pfister asked to be informed with specifics if this should occur and it would be addressed.

Additional discussion for staff recommendations will be addressed at a future meeting date.

Trustee Patterson moved to adjourn. Trustee Harper seconded the motion. The Village Board adjourned the Workshop at 9:11 p.m.

Billie D. Roth
Village President

Kittie L. Kopitke
Village Clerk

Approved this 19th day of March 2015.