

President Bartels calls to order the COTW meeting of the Village Board at 7:03 pm.

**ROLL CALL:**

Trustees VanOstenbridge, O'Leary, Carlini and President Bartels.  
Also in attendance are T.J. Moore and Joe Heinz.  
Trustees Ruffulo and Scarpelli arrive at 7:05 pm.  
Trustee Gorman arrives at 7:30 pm.

**CONSIDERATIONS:**

**1) Mining Discussion and Presentation by Carol Lockwood of Hinshaw & Culbertson**

Carol Lockwood of Hinshaw & Culbertson is in attendance. She has prepared a draft of an ordinance targeting licensing or permitting of businesses involved in mining, quarrying or scrap processing. Under the Village's business regulations, there are provisions for general licensing of businesses within the Village. However, her firm was asked to draft more specific ordinances that target the businesses doing mining and quarrying. She mentions that the Village does not want to run into regulations already set by the state.

She is unsure to what extent the Village wants to monitor and regulate mines and quarries and suggests that we may want to implement a Use Tax. The first step her firm took was creating a draft of an Ordinance to permit or license these types of businesses. She states that the Village can charge a license fee but not for revenue generating. Trustee O'Leary states the intent is not to generate revenue, but to know what is happening in the Village.

Ms. Lockwood feels that the Village could put more obligations upon the owners and operators through an Ordinance or the Kane County Storm Water Ordinance, which the Village has adopted. Since the Village has protections in place, maybe the Village should beef up the special use category. She also suggests separate agreements for different businesses. Creating our own reclamation Ordinance is suggested and Ms. Lockwood believes the Village can do this, however, it may have to be split through zoning or subdivision. Trustee Scarpelli suggests a special use and Ms. Lockwood agrees. She also states that she feels that a license and registration is the same, however, with a fee involved, it should probably be categorized as a license.

The Board will have discussions and forward inquires to Mr. Moore. Mr. Moore will bring these together and send all inquiries to Ms. Lockwood. He also suggests sitting down with the operators in town. Trustee O'Leary suggests meeting with Palumbo. Ms. Lockwood will again look at mining ordinances to see if there is anything out there that other municipalities have put in place.

**2) Zoning Map Update**

Mr. Heinz lays out the updated zoning map and states that the proposed changes are shown in color. There is some discussion surrounding the downtown district and R5 zoning. All agree that the M1 zoning should be removed from the downtown area. Although there is some discussion on going ahead with the changes East of Route 25, it is decided to get Vandewalle's opinion first. Mr. Moore summarizes that the consensus is to go to Vandewalle and get their opinion. If Vandewalle's opinion is clear, it will be brought back to the whole group for a decision. However, if it's unclear, there will be more discussion and possible opposition, and then we will just move forward with East of Route 25.

A representative from PAR Development is in the audience and states that they are monitoring the situation and voices their opposition and concern to the downtown area being zoned R5 for reasons already discussed.

**3) Depot Use**

Trustee Ruffulo discusses the possibility of moving the finance and building department to the Depot. This would leave only the Administrator and the Administrator's Assistant in the Village Hall. He feels that parking would be better for the residents at the Depot. Mr. Moore will estimate the cost involved for the remodeling.

Trustee Carlini states that the Depot would no longer house the Visitor's Center, however, they would try and work with the Farmer's Market. He also suggests the possibility of obtaining a small building from Santa's Village. Trustee Ruffulo would like it to be known that they are not trying to remove the Visitor's Center; the Village simply needs the space.

Mr. Moore states that the current office for the Finance Manager would be locked storage for files. The current office for the Building Inspector could possibly become a conference room. However, this does not abandon plans for a new Village Hall. Mr. Moore states that upgrades to the building would include a new solid outside door and a new countertop. His biggest concern is moving the phones. He will be looking at different opportunities but will most likely purchase a refurbished system. Also, there will be a safe and an alarm on the building.

Some are concerned since the businesses in the village built the Depot. There is agreement that the racks of informational pamphlets should be kept by the door. Mr. Moore states that they have \$25,000 in the budget for this remodel, but feels it would be much less. There is concern over the security of leaving the bathrooms open to the public. One suggestion is to have the restrooms open to the public on the weekend only as the cleaning crew comes in on Sunday night.

It is realized that the Visitor's Center may take the Farmer's Market with them. Although some show concern for this as the market brings persons to the downtown area, others are not as concerned since the market is not a true Farmer's Market.

There is consensus from the Board to move forward, however, a couple of trustees would like a report from Mr. Moore before remodeling begins.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

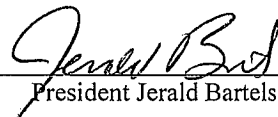
Motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting by VanOstenbridge/Gorman 9:40 pm.

Roll: 7 Ayes (O'Leary, Gorman, Carlini, Ruffulo, VanOstenbridge, Scarpelli, President Bartels), 0 Nays, Motion carries.


Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Norton

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
President Jerald Bartels

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Village Clerk Susan Norton