

**REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF NORTHFIELD
Monday, September 17, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.**

As provided for by public notice, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Northfield met in the Council Chambers of the Village Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 17, 2018 for the Regular Board meeting. The meeting was called to order by President Joan Frazier. The Village Clerk took the roll call.

PRESENT: President Joan Frazier

 Trustees Tom Roszak
 Allan Kaplan
 Greg Lungmus
 Thomas Terrill
 John Goodwin

ABSENT: John Gregorio

ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Everette M. Hill, Jr.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Approve the Report of Proceedings from the August 21, 2018 Village Board meeting.

2. Approve the Bills and Disbursements from 8/2/18 to 9/5/18:

General Fund	\$224,401.35
Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Fund	1,787.43
Water and Sanitary Sewer Fund	243,019.50
Storm Sewer Improvement Fund	1,270.50
Capital & Equipment Fund	92,705.92
2017 Go Bond Project Fund	26,402.76
Rolling Ridge SSA Project Fund	<u>223,359.04</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 823,946.50</u>

3. Approval of the following Commission re-appointment:

<u>Plan & Zoning Commission – Term: 4 years</u>	<u>Term</u>
Steven Hirsch, re-appointment	9-1-18 to 9-1-22

Trustee Lungmus made a motion, seconded by Trustee Roszak, to approve Consent Agenda items 1 through 3.

Upon the following roll call vote, a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 1 through 3 was approved.

AYES: Roszak NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: Gregorio

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CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL USE ORDINANCE TO ALLOW STORAGE OF VEHICLES IN CAR STORAGE AT 190-B NORTHFIELD ROAD

Trustee Lungmus made a motion, seconded by Trustee Roszak, to approve an ordinance to allow storage of vehicles in car storage at 190-B Northfield Road.

Community Director Steve Gutierrez indicated that KSDC, LLC is the contract purchaser of the 9,600 square foot commercial space at 190-B Northfield Road. They are seeking a special use in order to store company and personal vehicles in the facility. The parking of vehicles is considered a parking structure which requires a special use in this zoning district. The Plan & Zoning Commission voted 8-0 to recommend approval of the requested special use. The applicant, Steven Blumenthal, was available to answer any questions.

President Frazier then requested a roll call vote to approve an ordinance to allow storage of vehicles in car storage at 190-B Northfield Road.

AYES: Roszak NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: Gregorio
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CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDMENT TO SPECIAL USE ORDINANCE 13-1574 TO ALLOW FOR "IMMEDIATE CARE" AT THE EXISTING NORTHSORE UNIVERSITY HEATHSYSTEM LOCATED AT 211 WAUKEGAN ROAD

Trustee Terrill made a motion, seconded by Trustee Goodwin, to approve an amendment to Special Use Ordinance 13-1574 to allow for "immediate care" at the existing NorthShore University HealthSystem located at 211 Waukegan Road.

Director Gutierrez said that in 2013, NorthShore University HealthSystem was granted a special use to open and operate a primary care medical office at 211 Waukegan Road. They now wish to amend the special use in order to add immediate care to the services provided at the facility, to add a small X-ray facility and to expand their operating hours. The existing special use limits their services to primary care and their current hours of operation are 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturdays. They are requesting to extend their hours on Saturday to 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and add Sunday hours from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Plan & Zoning Commission voted 8-0 to recommend approval of the requested amendment to the special use with the condition that staff monitor their parking

lot for one year to insure that there is adequate parking. They did not need a variation for parking; however, the lot is well used. The applicant, Jerry Hall, is present.

Trustee Roszak asked if this is the only facility like this in Northfield. Director Gutierrez said he believed so.

President Frazier then requested a roll call vote to approve an amendment to Special Use Ordinance 13-1574 to allow for “immediate care” at the existing NorthShore University HealthSystem located at 211 Waukegan Road.

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CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL USE ORDINANCE TO ALLOW FOR A DENTAL OFFICE AT 191 WAUKEGAN ROAD, SUITE 106

Trustee Lungmus made a motion, seconded by Trustee Goodwin, to approve a Special Use ordinance to allow for a dental office at 191 Waukegan Road, Suite 106.

Director Gutierrez indicated that Dr. James Toraason, who is present, is seeking a special use in order to establish a dental practice at 191 Waukegan Road. The Plan & Zoning Commission voted 8-0 to recommend approval of the requested special use.

President Frazier then requested a roll call vote to approve a Special Use ordinance to allow for a dental office at 191 Waukegan Road, Suite 106.

AYES: Roszak NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: Gregorio
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CONSIDERATION OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PLAT OF DEDICATION AND ABROGATION FOR WINTRUST BANK LOCATED AT 1852 WILLOW ROAD

Trustee Terrill made a motion, seconded by Trustee Roszak, to accept a Plat of Dedication and Abrogation for Wintrust Bank located at 1852 Willow Road.

Director Gutierrez indicated that in April, 2018, Wintrust Bank was granted a special use to operate a bank branch at 1852 Willow Road. The approved plan included a public vehicular connection between Alice Place and Northfield Road. It has been in the Village’s plan for some time and as recently as the Northfield Road Corridor study which called for this type of connection. To insure the perpetual nature of this connection, the owner has agreed to dedicate the land for the roadway as well as the landscaped area to the south and west of the paved

roadway to the Village. The acceptance of the Plat of Dedication would insure that this access remains in place even after the bank's lease has run its course. The tenant, Wintrust, will maintain the landscaped areas, including the plantings in this dedicated parcel. The Village will be responsible for maintaining the roadway area for any third party negligent acts as well as acts of God. In order to make this final, the Board must accept this proposed Plat of Dedication and Abrogation. There is also a Maintenance Agreement which is included and attached to the Resolution. A representative from Wintrust Bank is present.

Hal Franke, attorney from the firm of Meltzer, Purtil & Stelle, LLC, is present on behalf of Northbrook Bank & Trust Company which is a Wintrust Community Bank. He said as Director Gutierrez explained, they were before the Board in April for the consideration and approval of a special use to operate a bank at 1852 Willow Road with a drive through facility. It was a condition of approval that a connection be made from Alice Place to Northfield Road over the property so traffic could go back and forth to the townhomes. He said it is important to remember that this development is going to be undertaken pursuant to a ground lease so the current owner of the property is going to continue to own the property, but it will be subject to the ground lease with Northbrook Bank & Trust. The dedication requires the cooperation of multiple parties, not just the bank but also the owner of the property. It was also discussed and reviewed that it would be beneficial for all, including the Village, to also dedicate the small parcel south of the roadway parcel. The Bank will be responsible for the maintenance on the main parcel and the dedicated parcel, subject to the Maintenance Agreement. They would like to get started with construction as soon as possible. John Regan, the Senior Vice President at Wintrust Financial, is present to answer any questions and Brian Wagner from Myefski Architects is also present.

President Frazier indicated that the Board and staff have been working for and hoping for a long time. She thanked all the parties who have worked to make it happen.

Trustee Roszak said he was excited that the bank is coming to town and he can now cut through and get Dunkin Donuts. He asked what the schedule and status are of construction once they get the permit.

John Regan from Wintrust Bank said as soon as they receive approval, they will hit the ground running. All the drawings are being reviewed and they would like to break ground before winter and enclosed before winter. If they are able to, depending on the weather, they will open in the spring. It is a 120 day construction schedule. The current owner has a viable business operating and they will be winding down and so they are working with them on timing. A walk through is scheduled for tomorrow.

Trustee Roszak then asked if Youngren's is closing for good or moving elsewhere. Mr. Larry Evans said they will lease space from another drycleaners and will continue their existing delivery business. They will still be in the business, but will be a delivery business out of town. Trustee Lungmus thanked him for making this happen.

President Frazier then requested a roll call vote to accept a Plat of Dedication and Abrogation for Wintrust Bank located at 1852 Willow Road.

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NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: Gregorio

CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST TO CHANGE THE ROOF MATERIALS, WINDOW CONFIGURATIONS AND ADD A FLAGPOLE FOR WINTRUST BANK LOCATED AT 1852 WILLOW ROAD

Trustee Roszak made a motion, seconded by Trustee Lungmus, to approve a request to change the roof materials, window configurations and add a flagpole for Wintrust Bank located at 1852 Willow Road.

Director Gutierrez said as Mr. Regan noted, they are getting close to issuing permits and staff has provided comments. As the design team for the bank finalized their plans, particularly the interior floor plans, which drove the need for changes to the windows and their location. The bank is now asking for three different types of changes. Driven by the floor plan, the window locations need to be changed and they are also asking for different roofing material from the approved grey cedar shakes to a synthetic product that mimics the cedar shake. They would also like to install a flagpole at the south end of the building which hadn't been planned for.

Brian Wagner from Myefski Architects said there are three items which they would like to discuss: the roof material, modifications to the flagpole and the windows. The flagpole will be located at the south end of the property and the reason for that is the bank wanted to have a flagpole to represent themselves and this location is right off of the entryway. It will be a 30' pole that is dark brown to match all the light fixtures currently on the building. The second item are the window modifications. They went through and discussed with staff some of the modifications and when they were laying out the interior spaces and considering the full function of the interior of the bank, there were some modifications that were needed. He then showed the different elevations on the screen. There were two windows under the canopy which have been removed. The west elevation is where most of the windows have been modified. These were all due to interior concerns. The third item is the roof material. He showed samples of the

requested new roof material. The owner is asking the Board to consider this new resin material. The reason is for maintenance and longevity. Typical cedar roofs last about 20 years, but also require maintenance due to insects and mildew. The new product will last longer. Once the material is placed on the building, it will look like cedar. There are two options: a single width shingle so it is more of a straight edge (which has been used on homes and buildings in Northfield) and then there is Bellaforte shake that is more commonly used.

Trustee Roszak asked if they were asking for approval now. Mr. Wagner said they were leaning toward the wide shingle, but if they wanted the other one, they could do that.

Trustee Lungmus indicated that the building next door has a shake roof and he was wondering if there would be too much of a contrast. Mr. Wagner indicated it would be more of a shake. Trustee Lungmus asked how long the DiVinci product has been around and if it has been tested. Mr. Wagner responded that he wasn't sure, but has seen it on homes and buildings from the early 2000's or 1990's and those still have high quality, with a slight fading, but they don't need replacing. Over time, it looks more like cedar.

Trustee Roszak likes the single width shake which would be more appropriate for the building.

President Frazier then requested a roll call vote to approve a request to change the roof materials, window configurations and add a flagpole for Wintrust Bank located at 1852 Willow Road.

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CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX D “FEES AND FINES” OF THE CODE

Trustee Lungmus made a motion, seconded by Trustee Roszak, to amend Appendix D “Fees and Fines” of the Code.

Assistant to the Village Manager Melissa DeFeo informed the Board that at the August Committee of the Whole meeting, staff presented a revised version of Appendix D of the Village Code which pertains to fees and fines. The goal of the study was not to necessarily increase revenue, but to simplify the Appendix, align it with the current practices and to insure the rates cover the costs. A number of changes were made, some include adjustments to the number of fee and fine amounts to reflect our costs, elimination of a number of business license categories due to non-use or new state licensing requirement and updating definitions and references to

restaurant, toy vehicles and tobacco. In addition to updating the substance of the Appendix, it is now structured into three sections and they have incorporated tables with a reference to the relevant ordinance section which makes it easier for users to navigate the Appendix. No changes are suggested for the ambulance service fees, during the discussion last month, there were several questions about ambulance fees. One question was how we bill Medicare patients. As a Medicare provider, the Village must accept whatever payment Medicare assigns to a service and may not pursue any balance above the assigned amount. If the patient has a supplemental policy, the Village can go after that company to pay the difference and the Village pursues the difference between the amount paid and the maximum Medicare assignment from that patient. If the patient has private insurance, the insurance company will pay their assigned benefit and the Village will seek the remaining amount from the patient. AVM DeFeo indicated there was also a question about which community will bill and at what rate when an ambulance provides mutual aid to another municipality. The surrounding departments have agreed that the municipality providing the service will charge their respective rate. If we were to respond to a resident in Glenview, we would charge them our rate.

There was also a question on how insurance information is collected from those who receive ambulance service. The Village's ambulance billing company has access to Medicare and insurance data bases, so the responding paramedics are not responsible for collecting any insurance information.

President Frazier appreciated the efforts of all who have been working on this.

Trustee Roszak asked if Northfield is in the range of what other municipalities are charging for the same services. AVM DeFeo indicated yes, every single fee and fine was compared to the five neighboring communities to make sure Northfield is comparable but also reflects our actual costs. Trustee Roszak then asked if there are any services that other municipalities are charging for that we aren't. AVM DeFeo said she didn't think so. Trustee Roszak asked if the film production fee includes photo shoots, movies and commercials. AVM DeFeo deferred to Attorney Hill who said that ordinance was done about 10 years ago and it differentiates and does pick up photo shoots. Trustee Roszak suggested clarifying photo shoots and film production of any kind. Attorney Hill said a lot of time was spent by the prior Board on this and that is what they believed fit for Northfield. It was triggered when the Home Alone movie was shot here.

Chief Lustig said when police are used, it is billed separately and it depends on how many officers are now.

Trustee Terrill asked if real estate pictures would be included. VM Sigman felt what is intended is that if someone wants to use their house for commercial purposes. For instances, Jaguar want to take a noon photo shoots for their car so they may bring the car to a site and place it on the lot so it has the ambiance of the home and there are professional crews to do that, similar to a commercial or TV show. If you were simply having someone come in and take photos of your house and kitchen for market or private use that would fit under that. It's when you bring in outside crews and leasing out your house for the day for that purpose. They usually bring food trucks and other trucks.

In answer to Trustee Roszak's question about any fees that were eliminated, VM Sigman said we used to charge for garage sales which we don't anymore, but they are required to be registered so the Village can limit the number of garage sales a homeowner can have in a year. We have also discontinued any cost for estate sales. It was felt at the time there would be a greater need for staffing due to a greater impact. Showcase homes do have a fee because people are selling tickets for people to tour the home. There is a substantial impact on the neighborhood and staffing.

President Frazier then requested a roll call vote to amend Appendix D "Fees and Fines" of the Code.

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CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FY2017/2018 VILLAGE BUDGET

Trustee Goodwin made a motion, seconded by Trustee Lungmus, to approve an ordinance amending the FY2017/2018 Village Budget.

Finance Director Steve Noble said as the FY2017/18 ended and the audit was completed, it became apparent that there were two funds that the expenditures were over budget at the fund level. The first was the Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Fund which was over by \$1,800 due to increased costs in uniforms and the purchase of ballistic vests for the first responders. The first part of the ordinance recommends an amendment to the Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Fund budget of \$1,800.00. The second amendment is in the Storm Sewer Improvement Fund. There was an instance where there was engineering costs that were originally budgeted for FY2016/17 which was carried over to FY2017/18. As a result, the entire Storm Sewer Improvement Fund was over budget by about \$8,250.00. Staff is recommending a

budget amendment for that also. By statute, a budget amendment requires approval of 2/3rds vote of the Corporate Authorities. Therefore, five affirmative votes will pass the amendment.

President Frazier added that we don't like to see budget amendments, but sometimes unforeseen circumstances occur.

President Frazier then requested a roll call vote to approve an ordinance amending the FY2017/2018 Village Budget.

AYES: Roszak NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: Gregorio
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NOISE REGULATION DISCUSSION

President Frazier indicated that this item is for discussion only. In the past, the Village has received a few complaints about activities at New Trier High School and one complaint about the Park District's Music and Market event. Attorney Hill was asked to review our current Code and determine if they applied to co-units of local government.

Attorney Hill said one of the key questions that he started with on this issue was whether our noise regulations applied to school and park districts. While these are general code regulations with respect to noise, he believes, are applicable to sister units of government. There was some disagreement on that point among the Illinois courts. However, the Illinois Supreme Court recently ruled in a case involving Crystal Lake and the High School in Crystal Lake that school districts are subject to municipal zoning regulations. As the Board is aware through Attorney Hill's memo and the documents provided, the Village does regulate noise in its zoning ordinance, but also regulates it in other areas such as the Offenses and Nuisance sections. To assure the ability of the Village to regulate this area, he is making the recommendation to use the Village's Zoning Code only for this type of regulation. Attorney Hill said there are some inconsistencies in the current Codes with respect to noise regulation. The Zoning Code regulates by decibel level at the lot line. In the Offenses section, we regulate noise within 50' of the lot line and the Zoning Ordinance. The Offenses section uses a reasonable person standard and the Nuisance section says if anybody is annoyed in any way by a noise, then that's an offense. He strongly recommends putting all noise regulations in one place. The proposed ordinance pulls everything into one place.

Attorney Hill noted that if the Village enforces our current noise regulations, as it is set out in the Zoning Ordinance now, neither the School District or Park District could hold athletic events because they do, in fact, violate the standards that we now have. The attached

ordinance is not necessarily a recommendation, but VM Sigman wanted the Board to be able to see what a new ordinance might look like. The major changes are that it gets all put in one place and to takes out the standard that if it annoys anybody it has to be stopped and exempts athletic events by the Park District and School District from our regulations. We are also offering to the Park District, if this were to be adopted, up to ten special events a year that would not be subject to our regulation.

President Frazier questioned George Alexoff and Steven Bickford how the summer went and how many complaints they have received. Mr. Alexoff said that this year went even better than they ever expected. It was very well received. They heard a negative response from just one person. Everyone was very positive and they were encouraged because they saw multi-generational activities and participation was averaging between 250 to 400 participants on any given date. He said they started with a total of nine events starting the second week in June. They wanted to set it up along with the school calendar starting with an event they had in cooperation with the school parent organization and they went through to the beginning of August. A group of residents said they were looking for more activities and events at Clarkson Park. He said they weren't sure how the participation was going to handle it, but to their surprise people were asking why it was ending. They purposely wanted to end at 8:30 p.m. There was a children's entertainer that took place around 6:00 p.m. closer to the playground and the concert started at 7:00 to 8:30. Some dates when the stage was available, they allowed the bands to start at 6:45. Mr. Alexoff added that they hired a sound engineer to handle the music which regulated the sound so it wasn't too loud. He said it was a challenge but was a very worthwhile event. They are looking to continue the event at Clarkson Park.

Mr. Bickford clarified that there were never 400 people at one time. The event spans many hours and there were three distinct events going on, parents with children, people who came for the market or the concert. Often three generations came at the same time. He said the Park District moved the stage around while the sound engineer measured the decibel level in the different areas. He spent about four years in a research lab doing acoustical testing. He was very gratified to hear the comments from the Village Attorney about decibel levels because it is far more complex than hearing what can be heard 10 feet away. They exceeded the loud decibel level at all times the closer they were to Willow Road and it didn't have to be music to exceed the sound level. If the stage is closer to Willow Road the decibel level is zero.

Mr. Bickford said they didn't meet the ordinance most times by the playground where the sound of children playing exceeded the allowable decibel level of the ordinance. It questions the utility of having a park designed for children if it can't meet the sound requirement. They

want to make sure that it is livable. There was only one complaint. They have received overwhelming positive responses. They take the concerns of any individual very seriously and they have made a lot of attempts to adapt to lessen the burden. He said they would like to continue as it is an asset to the community.

President Frazier asked why it is at Clarkson Park instead of across the street. Mr. Bickford said he personally asked that question to the people at the event and around the Village. He said that part of it is to know the needs as stated by the community. They want a place to gather, they want their children to play in the playground and they want to be able to have conversations with their neighbors in the context of the kids playing. There is a general concern about parents not watching their children at all times. If your child is playing at the playground and you're 30' away talking to a neighbor while keeping an eye on them, there isn't a concern. If a parent were in the confines of Willow Park, it would be a lot more difficult to keep an eye on them. Parents found while at Clarkson Park that they could enjoy the event, the community and have the children in a safe environment. Parents would be a lot more concerned with the vastness of Willow Park. He said the key feedback of success from the community was the location at Clarkson Park.

Trustee Terrill questioned what the nature was of the one complaint. Mr. Bickford said it was multi-stage. There was a conversation about bottles in the street and broken glass. The Park District didn't see a tremendous amount of outside alcohol coming in. The Park District did not serve in bottles. Even with Ribfest, they did not see challenges of that. There was the fact that the music was being played, whether the music was too loud, whether it could be heard far away, whether alcohol is being served or whether cars were parking illegally. They took the complaint very seriously and had conversations with law enforcement and Village staff. They took each concern individually and determined whether to see this as a concern that they are observing the same type of activities and behavior and is it something that can be controlled? They marked the adjacent property with "Do Not Park" signs on one sign to make sure that traffic could get through. They also encouraged the police to ticket and tow anyone parked across someone's driveway. There were isolated incidents, but it didn't block cars from getting through. There was also a concern about whether serving alcohol encourages people to come from out of town. Generally speaking, he said the people were neighbors but there were probably some who came to see the bands. Another concern was should the Park District be serving alcohol at an event which marketed children. Mr. Bickford indicated that these events are marketed to a very broad section of Northfield's residents. They want to market for multi-generational families. The Park District didn't see any problems with the alcohol being served.

There was a concern about parents ignoring their children. He said he knew many of the parents there who were pushing strollers or pulling wagons down Bosworth to get to the park, certain moms were having conversations and the kids were playing. He said it wasn't any different than any other day at any park. Mr. Bickford said they tried to move the stage around to lessen the sound, but if you move the stage, you then have another resident who it is closer to. He said they encouraged people to reach out to them and give them their complaints.

Trustee Goodwin said one of the things he likes about Clarkson Park is that residents can walk there. If it were across the street, they would be more inclined to drive. He feels the walkability to Clarkson is a plus.

Chief Lustig said it amazes him that if people move across the street from a school, they don't know there will be noise. When you move next to a park, there will be noise. If the person doesn't want the noise, then why move there? He said the character of that area of town has changed. There are young families who like to walk, bring alcohol with them, and buy food at the park. This year's Ribfest had a perfect crowd and there were no issues. He has worked with George every year to perfect the closing time and his staff cleaning up.

With respect to the complaints, Chief Lustig said he saw maybe one or two glass bottles. He was there when it was being swept up and it wasn't a catastrophe. He liked that it was mostly Northfield people. These events are about seeing neighbors and other Northfielders. He believes this year's Ribfest was the best he has seen in a long time. They moved the sound stage to the front. That complaining individual thought the music was too loud. He received a lot of nice comments about the new police officer. Chief Lustig said the Park District has a new procedure where their staff puts up and takes down the signs so his officers don't have to do it. There haven't been any parking problems because there is only parking on one side of the street. He didn't see any problems.

Mr. Bickford said in looking at the ordinance, they also do park rentals at Clarkson Park and a lot of their activities involve sound. He would like some consideration as to how that will be handled.

President Frazier said with respect to the ordinance, just so the Board knows, the thought was that if they were happy with it, it would then go to Plan & Zoning and would eventually make its way back to this Board. The only comment she has is when it goes before Plan & Zoning, you enumerate for them how many events they have each year so they can come up with a realistic cap. She thinks the events are terrific and people really enjoyed them.

Trustee Roszak explained that decibels are hard to understand. The relationship of one measurement to another is not what we think it is. 60 decibels is a conversation at a restaurant

or an air conditioning unit at 100 feet. 60 decibels is half as loud as 70 decibels. 70 decibels is a vacuum cleaner. A passenger car at 65 miles per hour at 25' is 70 decibels. 80 decibels is a garbage disposal or dishwasher. 80 decibels is twice as loud as 70 decibels. His point is that it is super complicated and so how would one measure this? The ordinance should be measurable and should be relatable. Attorney Hill said where we use the decibels, in this model ordinance is fairly limited. Those came from the existing ordinance and there was a study done originally. When the complaints were made about the New Trier football practices, the measurements were done at the point where the complaint was being made, it was right at the decibel level that was allowable. Even the decibel levels in the residential areas when the bands are playing, they weren't that far off. He thinks there is some validity to the numbers that were used. Attorney Hill said at the time those were adopted many years ago, there were a lot of comparisons done and even had an expert come in for recommendations. He doesn't know how valid they are now. VM Sigman indicated they can be looked at before going to the hearing to get further input. Attorney Hill added that maybe staff can come up with a different kind of standard other than decibel levels.

Mr. Bickford explained more of frequencies and decibels and said if you move the event to Willow Park, even if they are lower on decibels, it will be heard further away because there isn't anything to stop the sound waves. At Ribfest, with the stage facing Willow Road, they found that the highest readings were behind the stage, not in front of the stage. Moving it further away will make it better for one individual will affect another individual. VM Sigman indicated that the stage was moved for the Ribfest at the request of staff. Initially, the bands were on the south side of the park and staff requested the stage be moved to the front of the park. In general, it improved the sound on the south end of the park.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

President Frazier said this concludes the Action items for this meeting and asked for the monthly departmental updates.

Department Updates

Administration

VM Sigman indicated that staff is preparing for a meeting with Cook County in three weeks to go through a series of county initiatives. Staff continues to have a good relationship with the Cook County Highway Department and get together with them every year and go through things such as the trunk main on Winnetka Road, the reconstruction of Happ Road, the

drainage and issues along Sunset Ridge Road and Rolling Ridge and a series of maintenance issues, including the number of signs along Winnetka Road. She will report back to the Board after the meeting.

President Frazier added that it is good news that the County will do work on Orchard. VM Sigman said it turned out that we need less work on Happ Road so we were able to transfer the money for that contract to Orchard. They were very creative working that into the Intergovernmental Agreement.

Community Development Department & Building Department

Director Gutierrez informed the Board he didn't have anything further to add from Friday's weekly update.

Finance Department

Finance Director Noble reported that the packets contain the financial reports through July and in keeping with the Board's direction, staff is keeping spending down and all of the departments are below their budgets for the year. President Frazier questioned building permits and Director Noble said we are behind in permits, but since the bank and AT&T should start soon, it should erase the deficit.

Fire-Rescue & Public Works Departments

Public Works Director Mike Nystrand said IRMA, the insurance carrier, came in and did refresher confined space training with all of the employees. They installed a storm sewer on Somerset by Old Willow Road and addressed some issues there. The new lights from the grant are starting to be replaced at the fire facility.

Fire Chief Nystrand reported that on Thursday, he is meeting with ISO insurance service offices which does the rating of fire protection services for communities and goes into how they establish insurance rates primarily on commercial properties. It is a 1 through 9 scale; the best being 1. They are hoping, based on some of the improvements such as Willow Road and the water main, that we should pick up more points from when we were last graded. They have worked with New Trier and District 29 to go over emergency preparedness for this school year. They responded the fire in North Main, a six story apartment building. Our captain, along with three other firefighters, were transported to the hospital after fighting the fire. He was released yesterday and is back at work.

Police Department

Chief Lustig informed the Board that he met with New Trier about securing the school. They will make restricted access by putting wrought iron fences and cement flower pots and

putting up a fence in different areas of the entire school to make it more secure. He said they will be doing lock down drills this week at Sunset Ridge.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion or issues to come before the Board, Trustee Lungmus made a motion, seconded by Trustee Roszak to adjourn the meeting.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

AYES:	Rozzak	NAYS: 0	ABSTAIN: 0	ABSENT:	Gregorio
	Kaplan				
	Lungmus				
	Terrill				
	Goodwin				

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.