Village of Chenequa

CHENEQUA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2007
Unofficial until approved by the Village Board
Approved as written (✓) or with corrections ( ) on September 10, 2007

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Chenequa was held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, August 13, 2007, at the Village Hall, 31275 W. Hwy K, Chenequa. Legal requirements for notification of the news media were met. Following is the attendance list:

Mr. Styza / President – present
Ms. Wilkey / Trustee – present
Ms. Seidel / Trustee – present
Mr. Gehl / Trustee – present
Mr. Foote / Trustee – absent
Ms. Villavicencio / Trustee – present
Dr. Tyre / Trustee – present
Attorney David Krutz / Village Attorney – present
Mr. Douglas / Administrator -Police Chief – present
Ms. Zimdars / Clerk-Treasurer – present

Attendance
Bob Nauta, RSV Engineering

Public comment period.
None.

Approve minutes of July 9, 2007 Board Meeting.
Motion (Wilkey, Villavicencio) to approve the minutes of the July 9th Village Board Meeting, Carried Unanimously.

Clerk/Treasurer
Present invoices for approval
Motion (Villavicencio, Wilkey) to approve July 2007 bills, Carried Unanimously.

Report on investment activity
Investment activity was reviewed and no action was required.

Review and consider Certified Survey Map submitted by John Gehl, Katherine M. Gehl, and Susan Jo Gehl, for a combination of Lots 2 and 3 of Certified Survey Map No. 4251 and Lot 1 of Survey Map No. 6820 and a Part of the Northwest 1/4 and Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 29, Township 8 North, Range 18 East, in the Village of Chenequa, Waukesha County. (This was originally approved at the November 13th, 2006 meeting of the Plan Commission, but because more than a 6 month time frame has elapsed prior to the map being presented to the County, it needs to be approved again in order for the County to Certify this CSM.)
Motion (Seidel, Villavicencio) to re-approve the Certified Survey Map submitted by the Gehls, Carried Unanimously.

Final – Review and consider plans submitted by Justin Huscher for first floor, second floor, and attic additions and remodeling to existing dwelling located at 4952 Maple Lane.
President Styza explained that previously when this project came before the Board there were concerns with the water table. He told Board members that the Huschers have since made changes to their original plans and Building Inspector Tising and Administrator Douglas had no problems with the current plans. He also said that the Plan Commission had given their unanimous approval subject to the driveway being staked out by the Village Forester. President Styza noted that extensive ground water testing had been performed.
Motion (Villavicencio, Wilkey) to approve final plans as submitted by Justin Huscher subject to the driveway being staked out by the Village Forester, Carried Unanimously.

Final – Review and consider plans submitted by John Gehl for the reconstruction of the 12 ft x 16 ft family Matriarch's original house to be relocated on tax parcel CHQV 0401987005.
Motion (Wilkey, Villavicencio) to approve plans submitted by John Gehl for the reconstruction of the family Matriarch's original house, Carried Unanimously.

The Board may consider entering into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(g) to confer with Village Attorney as to the strategy and litigation options the Village Board may adopt with respect to the well located at Hwy 83 and Hwy 16. Participating in the closed session will be the Village Board, Village Attorney, the Village Attorney's consultant, Village Administrator, and Village Clerk.
Motion (Villavicencio, Seidel) at 7:40 p.m. to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(g), Aye: Seidel, Villavicencio, Wilkey, Tyre, Gehl, Styza, Carried Unanimously.

Reconvene into open session for the purpose of taking any and all action necessary, arising out of the closed session.
Motion (Villavicencio, Seidel) to reconvene into open session, Carried Unanimously.

Committee Reports

Public Safety – Has not met, will meet in late September. Trustee Wilkey has suggested Police activities be shared with Board members at the monthly meetings. Trustee Wilkey questioned if the Public Safety Committee is reviewing the plowing policy. Administrator Douglas told her the policy would possibly be looked at soon by both Operations and Public Safety. It was also mentioned that rather than only having residents sign off on the liability waiver, they would also be required to sign off on the policy itself.

Operations – Has not met.

Plan Commission – Met earlier this evening.

Open Space – Has not met.

Board of Appeals – Has not met.

Personnel Committee – Administrator Douglas said the committee has met twice, and the next date has not yet been set. He said a proposal from the Police Union had been received and the committee would go over the language of the proposal.

Hwy 83 Task Force – Will meet August 30th at 6:00 p.m. President Styza suggested inviting the public to the meeting.

Emergency Government Committee – Did not meet.

Lake Management Ad-Hoc Committee – Did not meet.

Discussion and consider action regarding lake conditions.
Administrator Douglas said that SEWRPC has been very helpful with the algae issue, and he then invited Trustee Gehl to address the Board regarding this issue. Mr. Gehl said that Beaver Lake has had a substantial issue with the algae; it started showing at the end of June but was not identified until the end of July. He said it was positively identified as blue-green algae, and its toxicity was tested. Trustee Gehl told Board members that an e-mail was sent out a week ago last Thursday that recommended against swimming in Beaver Lake. He said that World Health Organization sets a 1 microgram limit on drinking water, but no limits are set on water used for recreational purposes. Trustee Gehl noted that the boat traffic dropped dramatically after the e-mail went out. He said the water was re-tested last week Thursday and the toxicity level dropped from 22 to 5. He said the rainfall was significant reason for the decline. This fact, combined with a quieter lake traffic helped to drop the levels of toxicity. Trustee Gehl said another e-mail was put out last Friday advising them to swim with caution. He said that Pine Lake has not seen the
levels of occurrence that have been seen in Beaver Lake. The Friends of Beaver Lake will continue to test the water until the levels drop below 1. Some of the theories as to why this occurred are: less ice last winter, and zebra mussels eating all the other algae, thereby opening up a bigger area for blue-green algae. He noted that the algae only release toxins when they die off, and blue-green algae is actually native to the lakes. The last bloom reported was in 1969. Administrator Douglas said that testing was done today on both Beaver and Pine lakes. President Styza asked where the samples were being sent. Administrator Douglas said that Dr. Thorton from SEWRPAC was helping and the samples were being sent to a lab in Madison.

**Review and consider adoption of a resolution reducing the speed limit on the portion of Hwy 83 which lies in the Village of Chenequa to 30 m.p.h.**

President Styza said there was a desire to have the speed limit lowered on Hwy 83. Motion (Wilkey, Villavicencio) to reduce the speed limit on the portion of Hwy 83 that lies in the Village of Chenequa to 30 m.p.h.

Next Trustee Seidel offered a friendly amendment saying she would like to see the speeds reduced on Highways C & K as well. Motion (Seidel, Gehl) to table this resolution until there has been an opportunity to discuss all the highways in the Village.

Trustee Villavicencio said the Hwy 83 task force has been working for many years on the revisions to Hwy 83. She said this was in the interest of residents who live on Hwy 83 and for their benefit. President Styza said he would be against the amendment, on the grounds that Village should deal with the State on Hwy 83, and with the County on Highways K and C. Trustee Gehl asked when the other County roads would be addressed. President Styza said more information should be obtained regarding the truck count was on Hwy C and traffic counts for the highways. He then said this issue could be on the agenda for the next couple of meetings. Attorney Krutz said the Board should set specific agenda items to address the issue concerning Highway K and C. Trustee Seidel said she would like to withdraw her amendment on the grounds that the issues would be addressed in upcoming meetings.

_Carried Unanimously._

**Review and consider any possible action to be taken regarding the proposed Capital Costs Tax for Non-Library Communities – Act 150.**

Trustee Wilkey explained that Waukesha County Supervisors voted to add any capital expenses incurred by libraries located in the county to the taxes that we as a county pay. To this point, we've only been paying taxes on usage, but nothing toward capital expenses. Dan Vrakas vetoed this amendment. Tomorrow there will be a vote by the County Supervisors to override the veto. Trustee Wilkey said initially this is only a small tax, but it is a beginning tax only. Secondly, she pointed out that this would constitute taxation without representation. Supervisor Rolfs is voting to approve the override. She said this is coming before the Village Board to see if any action should be taken.

President Styza said the initial cost will be $3 per household, and the capital costs of libraries will be shared in the future. Trustee Gehl said the Board should make a motion against the library tax in support of the standing veto. He said the override should not be supported. Motion (Gehl, Seidel) to have the Chenequa Village Board compose a letter similar to the letter from the Town of Genesee that would state the Village was against the override, aye: Gehl, Seidel, Villavicencio, Styza; no: Wilkey; Abstain: Tyre. _Motion Carried._

President Styza then asked Trustee Wilkey to call Supervisor Rolfs and convey the opinion of the Board, giving him the exact vote.

**Report of Village Administrator.**

Administrator Douglas said that Forester Kante is currently working on the problem of Oak Wilt with the property owners. He said that Dr. Thorton of the DNR is assisting the Village with the blue-green algae problem at no cost and the Village is appreciative of Dr. Thorton's assistance. Administrator Douglas then said that the Hoppes were to get back with their revisions by today but have not done that, so they will be contacted tomorrow.
**Report of Village President.**
President Styza questioned how to approach the speed limits on Highways K & C, so an intelligent decision could be made. He then suggested contacting Ken Yunker. Trustee Tyre asked if it would be possible to get some type of narrative on the proposal. President Styza said that Ken Yunker would be a good resource for that information.

**Report of Village Attorney.**
No report.

**Agenda items to be considered for future meetings of the Village Board.**
Nothing additional.

**Adjournment.**
Motion (Tyre, Seidel) to adjourn the August meeting of the Village Board at 8:39 p.m., *Carried Unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted by:  
Bonita Zimdars  
Clerk/Treasurer

Approved and Ordered Posted by:  
Bryce Styza  
Chenequa Village President