

VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 22, 2014

7:00 PM

Village Hall

Plan Commission

Louis Stephens, Chairman

*Commissioners: Judith Jacobs, Paul Aubin, Steve Dzierwa,
Nick Parisi, John J. Paul and Laura Murphy*

CALLED TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by the Plan Commission Chairman, Mr. Lou Stephens, at 7:00 p.m.

Present: 5 - Chairman Stephens; Member Aubin; Member Dzierwa; Member Parisi, Member Murphy

Absent: 2 - Member Jacobs, Member Paul

APPROVAL OF MINUTES**2014-0277 Minutes of the July 8, 2014 Plan Commission Meeting**

A motion was made by Commissioner Aubin, seconded by Commissioner Murphy; to continue the minutes of the July 8, 2014 Plan Commission.

I move to continue the minutes of the July 8, 2014 Plan Commission Meeting to the next Plan Commission Meeting, tentatively scheduled for August 12, 2014.

CONTINUED

Aye: 5 - Chairman Stephens, Member Aubin, Member Dzierwa, Member Parisi and Member Murphy

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Member Jacobs and Member Paul

PUBLIC HEARINGS**2014-0422 Stellwagen Family Farm IDNR Obligation Transfer**

PITTOS: Staff presentation made in accordance with written staff report dated July 22, 2014.

STEPHENS: Thank you, Mr. Pittos. Does anyone in the audience wish to address this petition?

AUBIN: Swore in Robert Sullivan, 14551 Westwood Drive, Orland Park.

SULLIVAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I am a member of the Stellwagen Family Farm Foundation as well as the Open Lands Commission. We are very much in support of this action with the state. This uncertainty has been hanging over the group as far as trying to plan for the farm because the state will not let us do much until this is resolved. We are very happy to have this apparently resolved through Terry and other's work and we definitely support it.

STEPHENS: Thank you, Mr. Sullivan. Are there any questions from our Commissioners?

PARISI: Just my curiosity. Does the acquisition of the Stellwagen Farm include

everything that was currently appraised today? It was acquired in 2006?

PITTOS: It was acquired in 2002.

PARISI: For 6 million dollars?

PITTOS: Yes.

PARISI: So are we talking about the same amount of property or a smaller amount?

PITTOS: I believe it is still the 60 acres. The 60 acres that were acquired in 2002 and the same 60 acres that are under Village jurisdiction today.

PARISI: I am always happy to see when lands are kept native.

STEPHENS: Why do they call it Doctor Marsh? Is that the name of the people that owned it?

PITTOS: Yes.

DZIERWA: Is parcel 2 part of Stellwagen? You have parcel 1 and parcel 2.

PITTOS: Yes, parcel 2 is the farmstead. It was not part of the OLT grant requirements.

DZIERWA: But that was part of the original purchase.

PITTOS: Yes.

DZIERWA: Ok, I'm just curious because we paid 6 million and now its only worth 1.4 million. It's disheartening. Basically the appraisal is parcel 1 that was done.

PITTOS: You have to consider the context in 2002. Highly developable property during the housing boom. That is why the value was what it was. The value today is taking the context that it is now preserved in perpetuity.

DZIERWA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

STEPHENS: There is no motion or action so we will move on.

No motion.

NO ACTION

NON-PUBLIC HEARINGS

OTHER BUSINESS

2014-0024 Memo: New Petitions & Appearance Review

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Plan Commission, the Chairman adjourned the meeting.

STEPHENS: This meeting is adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Zorena
Recording Secretary