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Telephone Town Hall Meetings

History

The Sexton Group began providing services for telephone town hall meetings in 2015. Using a rapid-dial feature, residents are called to be alerted and invited to the meeting wherein they can choose to actively participate, listen in, or decline. Participants can also choose to dial in from cell phones, if desired. Last year, over 2,500 residents participated.

Two Telephone Town Hall Meetings have been planned for the 2016 budget year. The first will be held on Thursday, April 28 with the second being held in the fall. The Telephone Town Hall Meeting held in September 2015 proved very successful as thousands of residents were able to dial in to listen to Mayor McLaughlin and Trustee Dodge answer callers' questions, similar to a call in radio talk show. Those unable to ask questions because of time constraints were able to leave messages with their questions which were later returned by village staff. The Telephone Town Hall Meeting is yet another way for the Village of Orland Park to promote its citizen engagement efforts, inviting residents to be an interactive part of a live exchange of information.

Financial Impact

The amount budgeted in FY2016 in account 010-1201-432800 for this service is \$6,500.

Recommended Action/Motion

I move to recommend to the Village Board to approve The Sexton Group to provide telephone town hall services in an amount not to exceed \$6,500.