



Village of Itasca
Intergovernmental Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 14, 2020
5:00 p.m.
Itasca Municipal Complex, Board of Trustees Room

1. Call to Order

Trustee Leahy called the Intergovernmental Committee Meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Pruyn, Trustee Ellen Leahy (Chair), Trustee Jeff Aiani (Co-Chair), Trustee Dino Gavanos.

ABSENT: Trustee Mike Latoria, Trustee Kathy Linsner, Trustee Frank Madaras.

Others Present: Village Administrator Carie Anne Ergo, Village Clerk Jody Conidi, School District Superintendent Craig Benes, School District Board Member John Los, Park District Executive Director Mary Fran Leno, Fire Protection District Chief James Burke, Library Director Frank Murray.

2. Audience Participation

No Audience Participation.

3. Intergovernmental Committee Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2020

School District Superintendent Benes moved to approve the Intergovernmental Committee Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2020. Trustee Gavanos seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. Village of Itasca Update

Village Administrator Ergo reported:

- Plan Commission public hearings for up to 50 participants have resumed
- An agreement between attorneys for procedures for public hearings with more than 50 participants has been reached
- The Itasca Country Club is looking for a special use for the east portion of the property; the R-1 zoned property was purchased by a private investor in 2014 with a five-year plan; the investor is ready to redevelop the site with either heavy industrial, new residential, or data center; a data center proposal is posted online
- ~~Haymarket DuPage~~ resubmitted a new application with new exhibits for the ~~Plan Commission Meeting on Wednesday~~, September 16, 2020; the application contains a lot of information and a resumption of public hearing is potential for the ~~end of October 2020 with new process for audience participation~~
- Staff continue discussions with DuPage County on CARES Act funds which have not yet been disbursed to municipalities
- The COVID-19 rate for DuPage County COVID-19 is up to 6.33% with a slight increase in hospitalizations; age groups 14 to under 20 are the largest increases
- The Village is investing in audio and visual equipment for large remote meeting participation
- DuPage County Health Department indicated Halloween Trick-or-treat and Trunk-or-treat guidelines will be coming from the State of Illinois

5. Itasca Park District Update

Park District Executive Director Leno reported:

- A large group of fifth graders were playing tackle football and not social distancing
- DuPage County is allotting \$1 million for all park districts based on population; the Park District's cap would be \$10,000.00 although costs spent is \$40,000.00
- The Recreational Center is open and Pre-school opened this week
- The Park District has a daycare program for children of School District 10 teachers
- The Waterpark bathhouse has been torn down; cannot open the Waterpark for the 2021 season until the new bathhouse is complete
- Working with ComEd to do a loop for an electrical system to connect the Community Library, Waterpark, Fire Protection District and Village Hall; ComEd favors a loop system and is willing to share a portion of the cost
- The Springbrook Nature Center interior renovation with interactive displays is in the design stage with a target completion date of June 2021
- Staff has modified Halloween programs and may deliver Halloween candy bags similar to the Easter treat bags
- Staff is working with the Community Library on ideas for a social distancing Christmas program

6. Itasca Community Library Update

Library Director Murray reported:

- Visitors are allowed in the library for up to two hours
- Passport and other services have resumed
- Curbside pickup and home delivery of material is continuing
- Some tables and chairs have been returned to guest areas
- Some study rooms and the west meeting room have been opened to groups of 10
- Sunday hours are 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- Providing virtual meeting services on Zoom for meetings
- Circulation numbers are high
- 500 participated in the summer virtual reading program
- More online databases including continued education credits have been added
- Residents can apply online for a library card
- Staff are working on a strategic bridge plan to carry the library through pandemic

7. Itasca School District 10 Update

School District Superintendent Benes reported:

- Only eight of 105 school districts are offering in-person learning; Itasca, Roselle, and Medinah offer in-person learning
- 75% of students are in-person learning and 25% are remote learning
- Class size is 13-17 students
- Four students and four staff COVID-19 cases have occurred over a couple weeks period with transmission having been family-related
- Staff and students have a self-certified system and classrooms with a COVID-19 case are quarantined
- Construction is done on lockers, the playground, and the wall
- Costs have been extra teachers, cleaning supplies, and daycare for staff
- Working with the Park District to provide daycare for staff children instead of staff staying home and the School District paying for both regular and substitute staff

- The School District has a capital bond up for referendum; groups will start campaigning for a 20-year bond; a \$300,000.00 house would pay \$330.00 extra in taxes; funds would be used for security, electrical, and plumbing; entrances would be integrated with the Fire Protection District and Police Department and a small addition for Raymond Benson Primary School would expand Pre-Kindergarten services
- ~~Filing against Haymarket DuPage's tax-exempt status; DuPage County agreed to the objection and Haymarket pulled back to regroup; the initial application listed children may be housed in facilities but children were withdrawn from the application resubmission with no guarantee children would not put back in at a later time; moms can establish residency with long-term service~~

8. Itasca Fire Protection District Update

Fire District Chief Burke reported:

- DuPage County is allotting \$3 million for 34 fire districts; the Fire Protection District's cap would be \$60,000.00 and associated costs are being tracked
- ~~Haymarket DuPage's reset allowed for a new impact study~~
- Work at the Fire Station is starting for roof top HVAC units, mapping of ductwork, and electric work
- Receiving eight to nine property tax objections
- No recent COVID-19 cases or quarantines lately; staff are wearing PPE in the Fire Station and if under six feet apart on rigs
- There are 311 COVID-19 cases in Itasca and 16 deaths with 15 deaths at Forest View Rehabilitation and Nursing Center
- Deputy Chief John Radzinski is retiring after 33 years

Trustee Leahy departed at 5:55 p.m.

~~Village Administrator Ergo reported a petitioner can add or update information on an application but the addition or update does not negate testimony already provided by the petitioner or public.~~

9. Closed Session

No Closed Session.

The next Intergovernmental Committee Meeting will be Monday, November 9, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

10. Adjournment

Trustee Gavanes moved to adjourn the Intergovernmental Committee Meeting at 5:58 p.m. School District Superintendent Benes seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Submitted this 14th day of September 2020:



Jody A. Condi, Village Clerk