

**VILLAGE OF ROSCOE
10631 Main Street
Roscoe, Illinois 61073**

**Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 17, 2023
[Immediately following the Village Board Meeting]**

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING IN PERSON OR REMOTELY VIA VIDEO OR TELECONFERENCE.

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Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee Wright, Sima, Plock, Petty, Babcock
Absent: Trustee Mallicoat
President Gustafson

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1. Approval of Minutes from the October 03, 2023, COTW Meeting

Administrator Sanders entertained a motion,
Trustee Plock made a motion to approve minutes.
Second by Trustee Wright,
Discussion: None
Roll Call Vote: Trustee Babcock, Sima, Petty, Plock and Wright -YES
Absent: Trustee Mallicoat
Motion Passed: 5-0-0

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

None

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1. Discussion and Recommendation of establishing the Village's financial contribution to the Hometown Holiday 2023.

Administrator Sanders summarized the recommendation with requesting contribution not to exceed \$7,500.00 which would be reduced by any other donations to come in. The appropriations this year was for \$18,000 and have expensed a little over \$6000. Trustee Sima wanted to know what the fake snowballs? Administrator Sanders stated it would be for an indoor snowball fight. Trustee Wright stated this is a fun time, and he has participated this stating the parents have more fun than

the kids. Trustee Babcock inquired where this event occurs? Administrator Sanders stated traditionally from Village Hall to Main Street Square. Trustee Babcock inquired if the street is closed, it was stated it is not. Administrator Sanders gave an overview of the events and stations from last year to the board.

Administrator Sanders entertained a motion,
Trustee Plock made a motion to approve minutes.
Second by Trustee Sima,
Discussion: None
Roll Call Vote: Trustee Babcock, Sima, Petty, Plock and Wright -Yes
Absent: Trustee Mallicoat
Motion Passed: 5-0-0

5.2. Discussion and Recommendation to the Board for approval of a Variance to increase the maximum allowable height of a privacy fence in the front yard setback from 4'-0' to 6'-0' at 5568 Gray Eagle Road (PIN: 08-04-402-003)

Administrator Sanders provided a summary of the recommendation stating the applicant wishes to enclose the entirety of their property north of the house and driveway with a 6'-0" privacy fence. The fence can be constructed in compliance with ordinance along the western and much of the northern property lines, the requested variance is to allow the 6'-0" fence to be constructed within the recorded setback along Bitterroot Road to the east.

Trustee Babcock inquired if the applicant was present at ZBA, Administrator Sanders stated yes, and no one spoke in opposition of the request. Trustee Plock asked where the front yard is located? The front faces the cul-de-sac, but driveway is on the side of home. The staff report was written before they made modifications. In past instances where similar requests have been made, particularly on a corner lot, the front yard setback in question is truly a secondary frontage along which no homes are oriented. In this case, the garage and driveway of the subject property itself connect to the Bitterroot frontage, making more of a true 'front yard'. The home immediately opposite the property (9925 Bitterroot) also faces directly into this front yard area creating a situation where the front of the home and driveway connection would be oriented directly toward a 6'-0" fence.

at the R.O.W. Staff is of the opinion that the subject parcel is neither sufficiently unique nor does compliance with ordinance constitute a tangible hardship. Trustee Babcock stated that since none of the neighbors attended ZBA hearing then clearly it doesn't bother them.

Administrator Sanders entertained a motion,
Trustee Plock made a motion to approve minutes.
Second by Trustee Babcock,
Roll Call Vote: Trustee Plock, Babcock – YES
Trustee Wright, Petty and Sima - NO
Absent: Trustee Mallicoat
Motion failed: 2-3-0

5.3. Discussion and recommendation to Board for new Chicory Ridge Subdivision entrance signage.

Administrator Sanders summarized the recommendation stating last budget season, the Board discussed updating/refurbishing a number of our residential subdivision entrance signs, including providing new signs at the entrances to Chicory Ridge. Trustee Babcock asked if anyone has been to Milton Wisconsin. Then he inquired how long has it been since Roscoe updated their signs, as

they are unnoticeable. He doesn't mind the subdivision signs but feels the residents of the sub division should ante up for those signs. Trustee Wright stated Hawks Pointe paid for their signs. Trustee Plock stated the Village tried to do the signs and the property owner refused to allow them in Hawks Pointe. Trustee Sima stated that he believes that Chicory Ridge needs signs but not to this amount. Trustee Babcock stated Chicory Ridge shouldn't be the priority that we should focus on the signs for Roscoe, if anything it should be shared costs for Chicory Ridge. Trustee Babcock stated he doesn't see why that the Village should have to pay for the signs at Chicory Ridge. Trustee Sima inquired who would maintain the landscape, Administrator Sanders stated it would be on private property and his suggestion would be that the Village maintain first year since it would be under warranty. Attorney Kurlinkas asked if anyone has requested a sign for Chicory Ridge? Trustee Plock addressed that the Village spent a few thousand dollars on Shepherd Hills, and Crystal Hills and had appropriated to do signs for Chicory Ridge so the Village is just going to not do signs for Chicory Ridge? President Gustafson inquired how much was spent on the Shepherd Hills and Crystal Hills it was stated roughly \$1500-\$2000 and they had previous signs. Trustee Babcock, Wright and Sima agreed that signs are needed but that it should be a shared cost by residents. President Gustafson stated she believes that Chicory Ridge is a large sub-division and would like to see less costly for signs. Trustee Petty asked what Scott needs from the board, Administrator Sanders stated he would get a quote comparable to the size of Shepherd Hills and Crystal Hills. Trustee Plock stated that it was appropriated over the last two years to get the signs for the sub divisions, and there has only been roughly \$1500 spent. Administrator Sanders will bring back to the board new designs and prices.

No Action Taken

6. OLD BUSINESS

Porter Park- lights being installed, should be ready for event.

7. PRESENTATIONS

8. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

10. ADJOURNMENT

Administrator Sanders entertained a motion,
Trustee Petty made a motion to approve minutes.
Second by Trustee Plock,
Roll Call Vote: All in favor AYE