

**Village of Bensenville**  
**Board Room**  
**12 South Center Street**  
**Bensenville, Illinois 60106**  
**Counties of DuPage and Cook**

**MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**August 14, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 1. President DeSimone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** 2. Upon roll call by Village Clerk, Nancy Quinn, the following Board Members were present:

Carmona, Franz, Jaworska, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

Absent: None

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: E. Summers, J. Caracci, G. Ferguson, F. Kosman, M. Ribando, A. Thakkar, S. Viger, C. Williamsen

**PUBLIC HEARING:** President DeSimone opened the Public Hearing for a proposed annexation agreement between the Bensenville Park District and the Village of Bensenville for the White Pines Golf Course and Pines Park.

President DeSimone asked if there were any members of the Public that would like to comment.

Members of the Public addressed the Village Board regarding the proposed annexation agreement.

President DeSimone closed the Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** **Garry Gardner – 17W131 Woodland**  
Mr. Gardner addressed the Village Board in regards to the Village's proposal for the unincorporated White Pines watermains.

**Christopher Colon – 17W047 White Pines Road**  
Mr. Colon addressed the Village Board in regards to the Village's proposal for the unincorporated White Pines watermains.

**Gina Mellenthin – 4N150 Pine Grove Road**

Ms. Mellenthin addressed the Village Board in regards to the Village’s proposal for the unincorporated White Pines watermains. Ms. Mellenthin submitted a document to the Village Board. The document has been attached to the minutes as “Exhibit A”.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES:**

3. The July 17, 2018 Village Board Meeting minutes were presented.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Perez seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**WARRANT NO.  
18/14:**

4. President DeSimone presented **Warrant No. 18/14** in the amount of \$2,899,578.81.

Motion:

Trustee Franz made a motion to approve the warrants as presented. Trustee Perez seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Franz, Jaworska, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.  
31-2018:**

5. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 31-2018** entitled an **Ordinance Approving an Annexation Agreement between the Bensenville Park District and the Village of Bensenville for the White Pines Golf Course and Pines Park.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion:

Trustee Perez made a motion to adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Panicola seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Carmona, Franz, Jaworska, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.**  
**32-2018:**

6. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 32-2018** entitled an **Ordinance Annexing the White Pines Golf Course to the Village of Bensenville.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Perez made a motion to adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Panicola seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Franz, Jaworska, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.**  
**33-2018:**

7. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 33-2018** entitled an **Ordinance Amending Title 3, Chapter 3, Section 5 of the Bensenville Village Code to Reduce the Number of Class E-1 Liquor Licenses Outstanding at Any One Time from Twelve (12) to Eleven (11).**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Perez made a motion to adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Lomax seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Franz, Jaworska, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.**  
**34-2018:**

8. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 34-2018** entitled an **Ordinance Amending Title 3 of the Bensenville Village Code to Provide for a Class K Liquor License for the Sale of Liquor, Beer and Wine on the Premises of a Golf Course.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion to adopt the ordinance as presented.  
Trustee Panicola seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Franz, Jaworska, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No.  
35-2018:**

9. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Ordinance No. 35-2018** entitled an **Ordinance of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois Amending the Bensenville Village Code to Provide for Regulations of and Application for Small Wireless Facilities.**

There were no questions from the Village Board.

Motion: Trustee Jaworska made a motion to adopt the ordinance as presented. Trustee Franz seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: Carmona, Franz, Jaworska, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S  
REMARKS:**

President DeSimone announced school starts Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup> and asked everyone to drive cautiously in school zones.

President DeSimone announced Music in the Park on August 15<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled due to the anticipated weather and will be made up on August 29<sup>th</sup>.

President DeSimone administered the Oath of Office for the Appointment of Detective Michael T. Ptak to the Rank of Sergeant.

**MANAGERS  
REPORT:**

Village Manager, Evan Summers, announced that the CMAP module 2 of the zoning ordinance is on the Village's website for Public review and commenting.

Mr. Summers announced Village Hall will be closed September 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in observation of Labor Day.

Mr. Summers reminded all that Brush Pick-Up occurs the first week of the month.

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY  
REPORT:**

Village Attorney, Joseph Montana, had no report.

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION:**

Village Attorney, Joseph Montana, stated there was not a need for Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Trustee Panicola made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Perez seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

President DeSimone adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Nancy Quinn  
Village Clerk

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 28th day, August 2018

## Short Synopsis of the History of White Pines Subdivision

- From the year 1945 to 1985 each residence of White Pines paid double their water bill to the Village of Bensenville and that money was put in Bensenvilles' general fund.
- In 1985 the residents of White Pines complained and the Village created an ordinance called the Unincorporated Utility Fund.
- In 1991 an audit was conducted by the firm McGalgey and Pullen when discrepancies were found in our Utility Fund. They found that were being put back into the general fund and they advised that the practice of commingling funds was illegal and the funds were once again put back into a separate fund.
- The Village of Bensenville took money from the Utility fund and used the money to fight O'Hare expansion. This was money designated for our water infrastructure and should not have been used for other purposes.
- In 1999, Bensenville used money from the Utility Fund to put a main down to Massel Court. After the main was put in 7 of the 10 homes were incorporated into the Village. White Pines went to the Village to ask if we could recuperate some of the money and were told that we would have to sue them to get it back.
- We then went into the Village again and asked if there was a way where we could help ourselves and were told to go to the county and ask for funding. We did this, and we received a grant for \$1.7 million. The Village to this funding and spent it on homes that they incorporated.
- When Frank Soto was mayor, they came in with an offer to pay for half the system in return for incorporation into the Village. The residents of White Pines didn't want to incorporate and we turned the offer down. Village manager Mr. Cassidy stopped putting our money from water bills into our utility fund and it is going back into the general fund once again..
- The new mayor, Frank DeSimone has given us his offer that the people of White Pines who have already paid for  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the system that we have in place pay for a brand new system. This is because when Bensenville applied for the EPA loan the last time there was misleading information when they filled out the paperwork. Bensenville perceived that they owned our system and when the EPA discovered that they don't own the system, they turned the loan down.
- Bensenville is now going for a new loan for a totally brand new system which they will own after we pay for it. They plan to abandon the system now in place. They will incorporate White Pines as part of the offer. This will include higher taxes for our residents as well as surcharge on your water bill to pay for system.