

**MINUTES - Revised
of the
TRUTH IN TAXATION PUBLIC HEARING and
REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF NORTHFIELD
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2006 - 7:00 P.M.**

As provided for by public notice, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Northfield met in the Council Chambers of the Village Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 5, 2006 for the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing and Regular Board meeting. The meeting was called to order by President John Birkinbine. The Village Clerk took the roll call.

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| PRESENT: | President Trustees | John Birkinbine, Jr. Ted Greene Evan Karnes Frank Charhut Barbara Moore Ruth Lucchesi (via phone) |
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| ABSENT: | Trustees | Terry Gottlieb |
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PUBLIC COMMENT TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED TAX LEVY FOR FISCAL YEAR MAY 1, 2006 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2007

President Birkinbine introduced Finance Director Steve Noble who noted that a Public Hearing was not required by State statute but is in keeping with the Village tradition of seeking public comment prior to adopting the Tax Levy. The 2006 Tax Levy of \$3,090,250 represents an increase of 4.4% over the 2005 levy. Most residents will see about a 3.4% increase due to inflation in the Village's share of their tax bill which translates to about \$17 on a \$5,000 tax bill. The other 1.0% will come primarily from new property through construction and annexations in the Village of Northfield for fiscal year May 1, 2006 through April 30, 2007. Mr. Noble noted that the Village would not collect that amount if the estimated new property is less. There were no further questions or comments. No formal action was taken at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT BY WILLOW GREEN CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

President Birkinbine introduced Joan McClure, President of the Willow Green Condominium Association. Ms. McClure provided a history of an on-going problem the Willow Green Condominiums have had with the Village beginning with a letter dated June 3, 2004 to former Village Manager Mark Morien regarding unsightly cement structures, tall, nonfunctioning lamps, a dilapidated fence and the metal gate, all belonging to Bess Hardware. The response letter from the Village Manager noted that the strip of land between Bess Hardware and the Condominium property is Village-owned right of way. It also noted that the Village was working with Bess Hardware to address the issues. Ms. McClure also referenced a September 30, 2004 a letter by Marilee McGowen from the condominium complex about the unsafe exit from Willowview Terrace onto Old Willow Road. The October 4, 2004 response by Mark Morien noted that the Village would monitor

the speed of vehicles on Old Willow Road but that residents on Willowview Terrace and the Willow Green Condominium Association should remove the berm to increase visibility for those exiting the townhomes. Ms. McClure noted that there was no mention of the previous Willow Green concerns regarding Bess in this response. Ms. McClure reported that on October 28, 2004, she called and spoke to the Manager's Executive Assistant who told her that the Manager would contact her on November 1, 2004 about the berm and that Village Attorney Hill would call her about the Bess Hardware fence and gate. Shortly thereafter, Ms. McClure reported that the Willow Green Association had the berm cut back as suggested by the Village Manager and Police Chief. A couple of days later, the Association was contacted about exposed tree roots where the berm was cut back. This was taken care of by the Association's landscaper with a total cost for the project of approximately \$10,000. Ms. McClure noted that the berm was part of the original landscaping approved when the townhomes were built in the 70's and also pointed out that the Association accepted the recommendation of the Village and promptly had the work done. Meanwhile, Ms. McClure noted, that after numerous phone calls to various members of the Village and Attorney Hill about the unsightly and dangerous structures put on Village property by Bess Hardware, still nothing had been done.

On June 15, 2005, the Village Building Commissioner returned a call to Ms. McClure noting that there would be a new fence, lights reinstalled and concrete posts removed. As of July 2005 nothing was done. Ms. McClure then referenced a letter of August 2005 which every resident received from the Friends of Northfield Foundation noting that with the approval of the Architectural Commission and upon Village Board approval, they would be donating the cost for putting up a new announcement sign at the corner of Willow and Central. The Friends also mentioned in their letter that they planned various upgrades and improvements to areas in the Village. Ms. McClure noted that the area they were seeking help with is also on Village property.

On September 14, 2005, Attorney Hill contacted Ms. McClure noting that Bess Hardware was responsible for making all the changes before any agreement for the continued use of the easement.

Ms. McClure reported that the easement agreement with Bess Hardware was considered as part of the September 19, 2005 Board agenda. Willow Green residents attended and spoke. The Village Board went into closed session to discuss the property agreement. No action was taken.

Trustee Karnes interjected that the Board is very aware of the Condominium's problem and their pain. He noted the Village Board is interested in solving the issue and asked Ms McClure if there was something at this time the Association was seeking. Ms. McClure reported that following a recent storm, the fence gate fell down and was left for a week before it was finally "cobbled" together. She also reported that Bess Hardware had removed three (3) large cement structures but left two (2) of them and that they had done nothing about the fence. She reported that trees are growing through the fence. It is unsafe and unsightly. The Association questioned "who runs the Village?" The Willow Green Association had been told that by November 15 there would be a new fence. They were also told that Bess wanted to buy the Village's right of way property. Ms. McClure

reported that Willow Green residents would protest noting that Bess Hardware had not been a good steward of the property.

President Birkinbine acknowledged the frustration of the Willow Green residents as well as those of the Village Board. He then asked Village Manager Sigman to respond to the matter. Manager Sigman deferred the matter to Attorney Hill since his law firm is handling the Bess Hardware issue.

Attorney Hill noted that part of the problem is that the Village has no property fence ordinance which governs what the appearance of a fence should look like. The Village could go into court and tell Bess Hardware to take the fence down but then, most likely, have to issue citations for them not having a fence separating a retail area from a residential area. Even if there was an ordinance that was observed, there would be less screening. He also replied that it is a difficult situation. Each time the Village has proposed an agreement with the Bess's to get the fence removed/replaced and the area cleaned up, a new obstacle has been put in Village's way from Bess Hardware. They had been in bankruptcy and finally that obstacle has been removed. In the last easement agreement given them, the Village discovered that the survey of the property was inaccurate and that they are using a significantly larger portion of the Village's property. That created a new obstacle by changing what the Village needed to get from Bess Hardware. The Agreement that was to be executed on November 15 would no longer work. Bess has offered to purchase for fair market value a small portion of the Village property where they have for 40 years stored items behind the fence. The Village Board will discuss this matter in closed session to determine whether the Village is interested in having Bess Hardware purchase the property. If the Board can resolve this, then the matter will be finalized.

President Birkinbine addressed the concerns expressed by the Willow Green Condominium Association regarding selling Village property to Bess Hardware when they have not proven to be good stewards of the land. He noted that this could act as a lever to bring this matter to conclusion. However, the Village may have to bring Bess to court to resolve the issue. He noted, however, often judges tend to side with small businesses and that could result in a ruling that would go against the Village. Then no resolution would be achieved.

Attorney Hill reiterated that the situation is difficult because of the lack of clarity with the ordinances or codes being violated which the Village could use to issue citations.

Trustee Karnes asked that staff 1) be directed to come back to the next Board meeting with a draft property maintenance ordinance for division of commercial property from residential property with appropriate guidelines for fences and, 2) explore or issue an immediate citation for creation of a public nuisance under the Villages current Village Code. He noted it is obvious that Bess has thwarted the Villages efforts to obtain compliance with the rights of the property owner.

No official action was taken at this time.

Trustee Karnes also requested that staff provide a report to the Board on the issue of the nuisance factor as well as the danger to children of the Bess Hardware fenced area.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Trustee Karnes made a motion, seconded by Trustee Charhut to pull items 7A and 7B off the Consent Agenda to incorporate matters discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting prior to the Board meeting.

Trustee Charhut then made a motion, seconded by Trustee Moore, to approve Consent Agenda items 3 through 10C, except 7A and 7B.

3. Approve the Summary Notes of the October 17, 2006 Village Board meeting.
4. Approve Bills and Disbursements for October 13 through November 31, 2006 for a total amount of \$695,972.84.
- 5A. Approve an ordinance amending Chapter 1, Art. I, Sec. 1-12 (1) authorizing the destruction of Closed Session meeting tapes.
- 5B. Approve an amendment to the Village Board Policy on Closed Session meetings.
6. Approve an ordinance amending Chapter 2, Art. II, Sec. 2-15 relative to the monthly Village Board meeting schedule.
8. Approve an ordinance amending Ch. 15, Art. IV and Appendix D relative to the possession of cannabis and drug paraphernalia.
- 9A. Approve an ordinance amending the local section number on the Central Avenue jurisdictional transfer agreement with Cook County and IDOT.
- 9B. Approve an ordinance amending the local section number on the West Frontage Road jurisdictional transfer agreement with Cook County and IDOT.
- 10A. Approve an ordinance adopting the FY2006/2007 Tax Levy.
- 10B. Approve a resolution directing the County Clerk to reduce the 2006 Tax Levy, if necessary, pursuant to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Laws.
- 10C. Approve an ordinance amending various sections of Appendix D to reflect the fine and fee changes for 2007.

Trustee Karnes advised that one of the payees on the list of bills, Kone Inc., is a sometimes client and that he intends to vote on the complete list of bills.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

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| AYES: | Karnes | NAYS: 0 | ABSTAIN: 0 | ABSENT: Gottlieb |
| | Charhut | | | |
| | Greene | | | |
| | Moore | | | |
| | Lucchesi (via phone) | | | |

ITEMS #7A & 7B. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE CODE, CHAPTER 2, ART. II, SEC. 2-20.1 RE THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT STANDARDS FOR MEETINGS VIA TELEPHONE OR OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICE AND THE CORRESPONDING VILLAGE POLICY

Trustee Karnes made a motion, seconded by Trustee Moore that the Board extend the current expiring ordinance #06-1273, regarding Chapter 2, Art. II, Sec. 2-20.1, Open Meetings Act and attendance via telephone or other electronic device and, the corresponding Village policy until the January 2007 meeting and directed staff to return with a revised ordinance and policy procedures as discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting prior to the Regular Board meeting.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion to continue this issue was approved.

AYES: Karnes
Charhut
Greene
Moore
Lucchesi (via phone)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: Gottlieb

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A SPECIAL USE IN AN AREA OF SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT CONTROL FOR A BANK WITH DRIVE-THROUGH LANES AT 1756 WILLOW ROAD (TABLED FROM SEPTEMBER)

Following discussion, Trustee Karnes made a motion, seconded by Trustee Moore to deny the Edens Bank application to develop 1756 Willow Road with a multi-use bank building with drive through lanes.

Community Development Director Anne Kane provided background information on the development, noting that the applicant proposed to develop a 9,300 sq. ft. multi tenant retail building which would include Edens Bank with a drive through facility. The project as proposed required a number of variations from the Zoning Ordinance regarding lot coverage, building height, loading facilities, and configuration of off street parking facilities. Since the last discussion before the Board in September 2006, there have not been any further modifications to the plans submitted. It was also noted that the original request was for a variation requesting 62 parking spaces but between the Plan and Zoning Commission meeting and the last Board meeting, the developer amended their request to drop the restaurant uses. Without restaurants, the applicant would be required to provide 34 parking spaces. The developer is proposing 12 on site parking places and the 12 parking places are the result of variation waivers.

Larry Berg, representative of Edens Bank, who spoke on behalf of the developer of the Bank project, noted that Edens Bank approached the Village about building a bank and, after numerous discussions with the Village, determined that the Village had bigger plans for the site per the Comprehensive Plan. The Bank continued to rework their plans and concept coming up with changes that they thought would be conducive to them and still be responsive to the Village of Northfield's requirements. Mr. Berg noted that the plan before the Village Board today is a very different project. It is a two story building with two retail components. There had been discussions of an ice cream store and Starbucks being part of the retail component. These were changes the bank was willing to do to develop the site to enhance the project with visions the Village had from the Comprehensive Plan of having pedestrian-friendly businesses for downtown area.

At some point Mr. Berg noted, it became apparent to the Bank that although they had a plan the Village wanted and the bank was willing to provide, parking issues were a problem. The counts required for the food service establishments required 62 spaces which they could not provide. The developer reported they looked at alternative measures of how they could increase parking. They met and talked to IDOT representatives which has open land to the east and south of the proposed

project. The developer planned to lease the property from IDOT to expand parking. However, they also modified their plan to reduce their parking requirements. The plan was well received by the various Boards and Commissions except for the parking issue.

Staff reported that without the restaurant retail parking requirements, parking would drop from 64 to 31 spaces. Staff also noted that the general plan would still offer two retail components to the development which is what the Village wanted to enhance sales revenue and provide mixed use, in keeping with the Comprehensive Plan. This modification was made by the bank in accordance with the desires of the Village.

Mr. Berg also noted that the bank building was designed with two stories which was done because the Village wanted a building as a setting for the entryway to the Village Center. The second story provided the ability to add a clock tower which would stand out at the entryway. The second story was not and is not needed by the bank. The developer also agreed to restrict the use of the second story to storage area so as not to increase the parking area needed. The second story consists of approximately 3,000 sq. ft. By using it only for storage, it would reduce the number of parking spaces by 10 spaces. The entire plan has come a long way with various amendments made and discussions for additional parking with IDOT. Mr. Berg noted that the plan currently before the Board represents a significant project that will enhance whatever else happens with the downtown redevelopment.

Scott Yelvington, the Chief Operating Officer of the Metropolitan Bank, part of the Edens Bank, noted that they tried to accommodate the Village in every way, added retail space, a second floor, none of which they needed, and are looking at additional parking which they really don't need. They have gotten down to basics in trying to meet the Village's desires and develop the bank. However, he noted, it has become a "Catch 22" situation whereby the bank doesn't need the retail component but the Village's Comprehensive Plan requires it. Without the retail component, the Bank meets the parking requirements but the Village won't approve the development. He noted they are open to suggestions from the Village.

Trustee Karnes had the Bank developer clarify that the presentation or request for approval at this Board meeting was the same as the one they made in September after they had changed the retail from coffee and ice cream stores to non-restaurant retail stores. The developer clarified that it is the same plan.

Police Chief Lustig provided concerns of the Police Department regarding on street parking on Walnut and the possibility of increased traffic coming off Willow Road.

Trustee Moore noted that she had concerns about a timeline regarding a resolution with IDOT for the use of the County property for additional parking. Village Manager Sigman noted that there is no resolution and no concrete assurance that IDOT will release the property for additional parking.

Trustee Karnes noted that to meet the requirements of the Comprehensive Plan for that area, the Bank development must be multi use. However, he noted they are trying to make this development work on a site that does not comply with the requirements which is why they currently

have nine (9) variations. Unfortunately, it does not work due to the parking issue and the property probably should not have been identified as a possible location for the Bank based on the Village's requirements per the Comprehensive Plan.

Village Manager Sigman added that since there is no way to determine or guarantee whether IDOT will be willing to allow the lease or sale of the additional property for parking, she cannot say it is okay to build on the site without knowing this and due to the Board's issues regarding parking for this development.

Trustee Charhut noted that while he was in favor of the project when it was first brought to the Board 60 days ago, the parking issues which looked like they might be able to be resolved have not been and the current project does not meet the requirements thus there is no change in the issue. There is just too much trying to be put on this site.

Trustee Karnes concurred that this site alone does not allow any developer to meet the requirement of the Comprehensive Plan and that the Bank is asking the Board to authorize putting too much on the site.

Trustee Lucchesi (via phone) echoed Trustee Karnes and Trustee Charhut's comments. She also noted that due to the number of variations, she would have to vote against the development.

Mr. Berg, representing the Edens Bank, asked that before the Board puts this issue to a vote, they consider continuing it to another Board meeting to permit the Bank to make further modifications to the existing plan. If the Board would consider this, then the Bank could determine if there is a plan that could still meet the Village's approval and the Bank's needs.

Trustee Karnes responded that there are other issues including traffic issues as noted by Chief Lustig which have not been emphasized and which are part of the requirements of the special use. He then noted that he would like to see the Board move forward with a decision on the current application before them tonight. It was also noted that significant changes to the project would require going back before the various Boards and Commissions with the changed plan before the Board could review the plan.

Trustee Charhut raised the question, if the Bank brought back a plan that meets the Zoning requirements in every way, would the Board have to consider the plan? Village Attorney Hill responded that the Board would have to consider the proposal and could not deny the request but that this property is in an area requiring a Special Use and would have to come back before all the other Boards and Commissions before coming to the Village Board which could vote to reject the plan or approve it.

Since the Board made no substitute motion to have the Edens Bank bring a revised plan back, a roll call vote was taken.

Upon the following roll call vote, a motion to deny granting a Special Use to Edens Bank for the site at 1756 Willow Road was approved 4 Ayes to 1 Nay.

AYES: Karnes NAYS: Greene ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: Gottlieb

Charhut
 Moore
 Lucchesi (via phone)

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SPECIAL USE ORDINANCES 97-911 AND 98-924 TO PERMIT AN IN-STORE CLINIC AT WALGREENS, 1825 WILLOW ROAD

Following discussion, Trustee Moore made a motion, seconded by Trustee Greene to approve amending Special Use ordinances 97-911 and 98-924 to permit Walgreen's to install and operate an in-store clinic at their store at 1825 Willow Road.

Trustee Charhut asked representatives of Take Care Healthsystems, which is partnering with Walgreens to provide the in-store clinic, whether the illnesses being treated can be handled by a nurse practitioner who will be staffing the clinic. Mr. Dave Sobolak, representing Take Care Healthsystems, responded that the nurse could and would handle them and be able to write prescriptions.

Trustee Karnes asked Mr. Sobolak whether Take Care Healthsystems is the applicant of the Special Use. He responded they are not, Walgreens is. It was then pointed out by Trustee Karnes that the application must be made out by the business seeking the Special Use. Since Walgreens was allowing another company to run the clinic, which in effect would be renting space in Walgreens for the clinic and would not running it themselves, the Special Use could not be applied for by Walgreens. The ordinance would need to be worded to incorporate Take Care Healthsystems. Trustee Karnes noted that only the Special Use applicant could apply for the Special Use.

Village Attorney Hill then noted that if the application is improperly made out, the petitioner cannot amend the application tonight. The issue would need to be continued to another meeting. Attorney Hill also noted that Take Care cannot petition to amend Walgreen's Special Use; any amendment would have to be granted to Walgreens/Bond. He then added that whether another company can operate independently on Walgreens property is an interesting question. The Village could allow it but that would be a decision the Village Boards and Commissions would have to make – whether to allow another company to operate on Walgreens property and whether the Village wants its Special Uses used in this way.

It was determined that the Special Use ordinance would need to be amended to show Walgreens is offering a service that will be delivered by another company on Walgreen's property. When questioned whether there are other Walgreen stores putting in these clinics, the representatives in attendance said that eight (8) locations are currently open in the Chicagoland area and that a total of 43 are in operation nationwide with 143 more in the works. It was also noted that Walgreens has the option to change providers of this service in the future.

At this time, Attorney Hill disclosed that his wife is a project architect for Walgreens Corporate Offices but noted that there is no technical conflict of interest.

To allow the space (300 sq. ft.) for the clinic, it was reported that there will be a reduction in Walgreen's storage space which will mean that deliveries to the store will go from once a week to twice a week. Walgreens also noted that they have no intention of parking a stock retaining vehicle on their property.

Trustee Karnes noted that per their application there will be no exterior signage noting the in-store clinic and added that exterior in Northfield also means no signage on the window inside.

Following discussion, Trustee Karnes asked that this matter be continued to allow for the appropriate redrafting of the ordinance to indicate the appropriate parties and, due to the Village's concerns about how its Special Uses are used, permit the time for the Village to discuss this matter since future enforcement is based on the way the Special Use is written.

A substitute motion was then made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Charhut to defer to January 2007 consideration of a redrafted Special Use Ordinance for the in-store clinic to operate in Walgreens.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

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| AYES: | Charhut | NAYS: 0 | ABSTAIN: 0 | ABSENT: Gottlieb |
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| | Lucchesi (via phone) | | | |

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE CODE, APPENDIX A, ART. XX TO INCORPORATE ILLINOIS ACCESSIBILITY CODE

Trustee Charhut made a motion, seconded by Trustee Greene to approve amending the Village Code, Appendix A, Zoning, Article XX to incorporate the Illinois Accessibility Code to address handicap accessible parking spaces in the Village-

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

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| AYES: | Charhut | NAYS: 0 | ABSTAIN: 0 | ABSENT: Gottlieb |
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| | Lucchesi (via phone) | | | |

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE CODE, APPENDIX A, ART. III CLARIFYING THE DEFINITION OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Trustee Charhut made a motion, seconded by Trustee Greene to approve amending the Village Code, Appendix A, Article III to clarify the definition of public rights of way.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

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| AYES: | Charhut | NAYS: 0 | ABSTAIN: 0 | ABSENT: Gottlieb |
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| | Lucchesi (via phone) | | | |

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON DEVELOPMENT IN THE VILLAGE CENTER ZONING DISTRICT

Trustee Moore made a motion, seconded by Trustee Karnes to approve an ordinance granting a temporary development moratorium for nine months in the Village Center Zoning District to allow the Village Center Task Force to complete an analysis of a Master Plan Development as described in the revised draft ordinance. Three exemptions to the moratorium noted by Community Development Director Kane are: cases where the use does not change (retail to retail), development of affordable housing, or any expansion of a current business that is less than 10% of current floor space.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved 4 Ayes to 1 Nay.

AYES: Karnes NAYS: Charhut ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: Gottlieb
 Greene
 Moore
 Lucchesi (via phone)

Mr. Berg, representing the Edens Bank development, questioned whether their petition, which was filed prior to the moratorium, would be exempt. President Birkinbine noted that the Board had discussed that developments/projects that were pending would be exempt but it was noted that based on the Board's decision tonight to deny the Bank development project, that no new project proposed would be exempt.

Trustee Charhut asked whether the Trustee who made the original motion and the Trustee who seconded the motion would consider exempting the bank from the moratorium. Trustee Moore responded "no" as did Trustee Karnes.

Resident Ervin Hopson asked for more information on where the boundaries are for the Village Center. Community Development Director Kane provided him with a map showing the Village Center boundaries.

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING 668 SUNSET RIDGE ROAD

Trustee Greene made a motion, seconded by Trustee Charhut to approve an ordinance annexing 668 Sunset Ridge Road to the Village of Northfield.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

AYES: Charhut NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: Gottlieb
 Karnes
 Greene
 Moore
 Lucchesi (via phone)

Discussion of Information Items

Trustee Charhut noted that the Quarterly Financial Report was a favorable report indicating that the Village is ahead of and within budget.

Comment by New Trustee Candidate

Jack Chapin, a resident and new Trustee Candidate for the Village Board, noted that two weeks ago Northfield paramedics took his wife who had fainted at Hackney's in Glenview to Glenbrook Hospital. She reported that her treatment by the Northfield Fire-Rescue staff was superb. Mr. Chapin thanked staff for their wonderful service.

ADJOURN TO PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Karnes made a motion, seconded by Trustee Greene to adjourn from the Regular Board meeting to convene to a public hearing to consider the sale of bonds.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

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| AYES: | Charhut | NAYS: 0 | ABSTAIN: 0 | ABSENT: Gottlieb |
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| | Lucchesi (via phone) | | | |

CONVENE TO PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE SALE OF BONDS FOR THE VILLAGE

Finance Director Steve Noble noted that the purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public comments on the proposal to sell general obligation alternate bonds in the amount of up to \$3,950,000 to be used to finance improvements to the waterworks system for the Village of Northfield. The Village has adopted and published ordinances to sell the bonds. The Village had established a 30 day petition period to accept petitions from the community to submit the bond issue to a referendum. The 30 day petition period has expired with no petitions filed. The bonds will be sold and used to make certain water system improvements including replacement of the Willow Road transmission main, construction of an emergency interconnect with Glencoe and installation a SKADA system. Water system revenues are being pledged to pay the debt service on the bonds. There were no further questions or comments. No formal action was taken on this matter.

CONSIDERATION TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Karnes made a motion, seconded by Trustee Greene to end the public hearing and to reconvene the Regular Board meeting.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

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| AYES: | Charhut | NAYS: 0 | ABSTAIN: 0 | ABSENT: Gottlieb |
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| | Lucchesi (via phone) | | | |

RECONVENE TO REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT 8:55 P.M.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Karnes made a motion, seconded by Trustee Greene to adjourn to closed session at 8:55 p.m. to discuss pending litigation and the possible sale or lease of property.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

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| AYES: | Charhut | NAYS: 0 | ABSTAIN: 0 | ABSENT: Gottlieb |
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RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Trustee Karnes made a motion, seconded by Trustee Greene to return to open session at 9:30 p.m. Upon the following roll call, the meeting returned to Open Session.

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| AYES: | Charhut | NAYS: 0 | ABSTAIN: 0 | ABSENT: Gottlieb |
| | Karnes | | | Lucchesi |
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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Karnes made a motion, seconded by Trustee Greene to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Upon the following roll call vote, the motion was approved.

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| AYES: | Karnes | NAYS: 0 | ABSTAIN: 0 | ABSENT: Gottlieb |
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| | Birkinbine | | | |