

Village of Peoria Heights  
Departmental Committee Meeting  
October 4, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Everyone stood for a moment of silence and the Pledge to the Flag.

Upon calling roll, the following Trustees were present: Sarah DeVore, Jeff Goett, Elizabeth Khazzam, Mark Gauf, Matthew Wigginton, and Brandon Wisenburg. Others present included Mayor Michael Phelan, Deputy Village Clerk Sarah Witbracht, and Director of Community Development Wayne Aldrich.

Trustee Goett made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Trustees Meeting held on September 20, 2022, and the motion seconded by Trustee Gauf. Motion passed 6-0.

Deputy Clerk Sarah Witbracht read a thank you letter from Bart Cumming from Ash Cigar Lounge thanking the Village in making the opening of his new business a smooth process.

There was no public comment.

There was no old business for the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Goett made a motion to approve the payment to Kreiling Roofing Company in the amount of \$37,824 for Village Hall flat roof replacement. Trustee Wisenburg seconded the motion which approved 6-0. Mayor confirmed the village did gather bids.

Trustee Goett made a motion to approve the payment to Servpro of Peoria for restoration to the Fire Department in the amount of \$4,297.03. Trustee Gauf seconded the motion which approved 6-0.

Trustee Khazzam made a motion to approve the special use application filed by Project Equity, Illinois for development of a medicinal and adult use cannabis dispensing organization on the property located at 1209 E. War Memorial Drive. Trustee DeVore seconded the motion which approved 6-0. There were discussions as to why members of the zoning board were not in favor of the ingress and egress. The representatives of Project Equity, IL were available for comment and explained that they have made some adjustments to the site plan as a result of some of the recommendations the Zoning Board of Appeals, specifically pertaining to parking. They feel confident that there will be enough parking and promised to be initiative-taking with monitoring the parking situation. Trustee Wigginton inquired about a security officer being present and asked many employees would be scheduled per shift, which was confirmed to be 3-5. Mayor thanked Chief Sutton, Wayne Aldrich, Rick Picl, and Trustee Khazzam for their involvement and efforts in making the process run so smoothly.

Trustee Khazzam made a motion to approve the site plan application filed by Project Equity, Illinois for development of a medicinal and adult use cannabis dispensing organization on the property located at 1209 E. War Memorial Drive. Trustee Gauf seconded the motion which approved 6-0. Trustee DeVore inquired about the other tenants in the building, and Project Equity was able to confirm they will be the

sole tenants in the building. Fire Chief Thompson confirmed there were no fire-related public safety concerns. It was also confirmed that they met the conditions on distance required from the school.

The Board moved on to miscellaneous business. Community Director Wayne Aldrich updated that the Together We Play project will be postponed until spring. He also gave an update on the water study project and explained that he is applying for a grant for lead service lines. Trustee Gauf announced that next week the village will be doing hydrant flushing. Trustee Wigginton explained that today was the last day in business for Gregg's Florist.

Trustee Goett made a motion to adjourn and Trustee Wigginton seconded. The meeting adjourned at 5:57pm.

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Michael Phelan, Mayor

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Sarah Witbracht, Deputy Village Clerk