

LAKE COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Monday, July 26, 1999

The Lake County Board met in Special Call Session held on Monday, July 26, 1999, in the County Building in Waukegan, Illinois. Chairman James LaBelle called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked for a moment of silent prayer. The Chair led the Pledge to the Flag. Susan Ewalt representing the County Clerk called the roll. Members present were: Beattie, Buhai, Calabresa, Cole, Grever, LaBelle, Leafblad, Marks, Martini, McCarley, Newton, Sabonjian, Schmidt, Shorts, and Spielman. Member Nixon was late and Members Carter, Kyle, Mountsier, O'Kelly, Schulien, Stolman and Westerman were absent.

SPECIAL CALL NOTICE

1. The Clerk read into the record the Presentation of the Call of the Special Meeting and Certificate of Mailing Notice of the Special Call Meeting.

Member Martini moved, seconded by Member Newton to approve the Presentation and Certificate of Mailing Notice of the Special Call Meeting. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

2. The Clerk read into the record a Resolution referring the proposed amendments to the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance (WDO) back to the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission (SMC) for its consideration and approval of the proposed additional amendments to the Ordinance described in Exhibit I.

Member Leafblad noted that this meeting had been called in order to give members and the public an opportunity to address their concerns, ask questions, and get comfortable with the changes that have been proposed by the Planning, Building and Zoning Committee.

Ward Miller, Executive Director of the Stormwater Management Commission (SMC) addressed the Board giving an overview of the changes from Planning, Building and Zoning which were before the Board for approval and then back to the SMC for their consideration and approval. Mr. Miller noted that this is the first time the ordinance has been evaluated since October 1992. SMC has received a lot of feedback from its enforcement officers and others who use the ordinance in the field. The changes being proposed are to clarify the amendments. Of the 119 amendments, only 14 are substantive. These amendments have been discussed for months by the Technical Advisory Committee and then were forwarded to the full commission. What you are considering today are 5 suggested changes which, if approved, will then be sent back to SMC. SMC will meet on August 5 to consider the amendments and to adopt the full WDO. It will then be sent to the County Board for approval at the August 10 meeting.

Mike Warner, Chief Engineer, presented the amendments and reviewed the five suggested changes presented in Exhibit 1.

The Chair opened the floor for Public Comment.

Mr. Bill Holleman, Chairman of Illinois Citizen Action expressed concern on the process which would be used to make changes in the WDO quickly.

Mr. Bruce Deason of the Home Builders Association expressed his concerns about the actions that the Board would take today and asked for confirmation that the letter sent by The Brown Environmental Law Group had been received by the Chair. The letter was an objection to the proposed stormwater ordinances and a request for an opinion from the State's Attorney. Mitch Hoffman confirmed that the letter had been received.

Mr. Mark Schultz of Schultz Brothers Co. expressed concern with Article IV.A.2.b on page four.

Mr. Pete Manhard of Manhard Consulting Engineers also was concerned with Article IV.A.2.b on page four.

Mr. Jim Schneider of Wauconda, IL suggested that section on buffers be referred back to TAC.

Mr. Miller and Mr. Rovang, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions and concerns.

After much discussion among Board Members, Member Spielman moved, seconded by Member Newton to amend Exhibit 1 as follows:

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2. Exempted Development
b. Additional sentence: That portion of any preliminary plat, annexation agreement, final plat, planned unit development, site development permit or current building permit which is amended after the effective date of this Ordinance and which effects the stormwater management system.....

Page seven - Article IV.B.2.b.1
(17) Subsurface Drainage (Drain Tiles):
The last sentence should read: All existing drain tile lines damaged during the investigation shall be repaired *and functional*.

The Chair called for a Voice Vote to approve the amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Leafblad moved, seconded by Member Buhai to approve Item 2 as amended. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously. After approval of the amendments by the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, the full ordinance will be presented to the County Board at the August 10 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

3. Member Buhai moved, seconded by Member Schmidt that this Special Call Meeting of the Lake County Board be adjourned. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk

Minutes approved:
