



# Village of Lake in the Hills

600 Harvest Gate, Lake in the Hills, Illinois 60156

## Ad Hoc Public Meeting

April 11, 2019

## SSA Unincorporated Lake in the Hills

### Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. On Roll call Trustees Huckins, Bojarski, Artinghelli, and President Ruzanski were present.

Trustee Harlfinger entered at 7:05pm. Trustee Dustin entered at 7:08pm and Trustee Bogdanowski entered at 7:10pm.

Also present were Village Administrator Jennifer Clough, Assistant Village Administrator/Finance Director Shane Johnson, Chief of Police Brey, Public Works Director Dan Kaup, Community Service Director Fred Mullard and Village Clerk Cecilia Carman.

### Item for Discussion

An Ordinance Proposing the Establishment of a Special Services Area in Unincorporated Lake in the Hills

### Audience Participation:

Bertinus Larsen of Lake in the Hills stated he did receive the letter concerning the SSA tax. He is concerned that he and other residents will be taxed as they own more than one parcel.

Administrator Clough explained every property that has a tap to the system will be taxed.

Mr. Larsen asked if the SSA finalized.

Attorney Stewart explained the formal process of the SSA has just begun. He explained there will be a public hearing and objection period. The whole process will take 4 months.

A discussion ensued between Attorney Stewart and Mr. Larsen concerning bidding process and when the final numbers will be known.

Jeff Meier of Lake in the Hills stated his land is in a flood zone and is unbuildable. He asked if he would be taxed.

Administrator Clough stated if he does not build on the property and tap into the water system then he will not be taxed.

Algonquin Township Trustee Dave Chapman thanked the Board and residents for doing a great job. He stated the township is committed to working with the Village on this project.

Al Heinke of Lake in the Hills asked how many years the SSA will be for.

Attorney Stewart stated the maximum will be 30 years. The Village will need to look at the bonds that will be issued and will develop the most feasible option.

Mr. Heinke asked why the estimate raised from \$1,500 to \$2,900.

Director Johnson explained by law the Village needs to provide the highest estimates. The final cost will be between 1.3 million to 2 million. As of now, we cannot predict future costs as in lawyers' fees, or contingences fees. The Village does not believe it will cost 2 million.

Mr. Heinke and Director Johnson discussed how the amount of tax is developed and types of bonds used for the SSA.

Mr. Heinke asked if there are any state grants available.

Public Works Director Kaup stated no. The Village is finishing a Water Main project and 100% of the cost was paid by the Village.

Mr. Larsen asked about the bidding process and using gravel in the easement.

Director Kaup stated HR Green was awarded phase 1 and 2 of the project. They will consider the topography, utilities, and Village Water Codes and ordinance. The ordinances stated clean back fill needs to be used. They cannot use and existing spoils.

Mr. Larsen asked why?

Director Kaup explained this is what our water codes demand and it is standard for municipalities.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business to discuss, the Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm.

Submitted by,

Cecilia Carman  
Village Clerk