

MINUTES OF NORTHFIELD VILLAGE CAUCUS MEETING (6/8/23)

Those members present were Beverly Smith, Cricket Trutter Hauff, Keith Reed, Dennis Culloton, Kathy Estabrooke, Becky Newport, Carol Ritchell, Mark Gantner, Laura Felicione, Mike Cohen and Dave Woodyatt. Guests were Village Trustee Charlie Orth and his wife Kim.

APPROVAL OF 4/24/23 MEETING MINUTES: Upon motion made by Becky Newport, second by Mike Cohen, the minutes of the 4/24/23 meeting were approved by a majority vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mark reported that we still have \$836.36 in our bank account.

OVERSIGHT REPORT: Mike Cohen and others reported that the Village Trustees have recently discussed the Roundabout and Fountain being considered for the road in the Village Center area and that space provides for only a one lane roundabout; that the Trustees are very interested in the Caucus survey results; that the Joselyn Clinic is opening its new "living room" service area; that Dunkin Donuts has changed ownership which may result in some change there in the adjacent traffic areas; that the Post Office has renewed its lease with the normal increase in its fees; the Trustees are starting to plan the Village Centennial activities; that the Happ road project will take up to 2 years to complete and that Cook County will be advising the Village on safety issues regarding same.

SURVEY PROGRESS: Mike Cohen reported that so far we have received 140 responses to our Caucus Survey and that we have received good comments from our open-ended questions. There was discussion about whether we should publicize the 140 results in an attempt to get more residents to participate; the consensus being to continue to pass out our "Your Voice Matters" leaflets and perhaps set a deadline such as the end of August to get surveys completed. Kathy reported that we should have some publicity in the Record publication and continue to pass out our leaflets to such groups as local garden clubs, county clubs, the attendees at the Northfield Wednesday night events at Clarkson Park, etc. Kathy also made a motion to have Bev Smith, Laura Felicione and Dennis Culloton draft a letter to Joe Coughlin at the Record asking for his input on an article advising residents of our survey and encouraging them to fill it out by a deadline date which we might want to establish after we consider Coughlin's thoughts and suggestions—this motion was seconded by Becky Newport and passed by the majority of those present. There was also some discussion regarding "blowing up" our current Northfield car sticker and using it in our campaign but no action was taken on this suggestion.

NEW CAUCUS MEMBERS: Laura Felicione, Carol Ritchell and Dennis Culloton all attended our 4/24/23 Caucus meeting to introduce themselves to the Caucus and state why they wanted to join. Their second meeting was our 6/8/23 meeting. Thus, upon motion by Kathy Estabrooke and second by Dave Woodyatt, all three were unanimously accepted into the Caucus membership.

MEETING ADJOURNED: At approximately 8:00 PM, upon motion by Mark Gantner and second by Kathy Estabrooke, there was an unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting

Minutes prepared by Caucus Secretary Keith A. Reed Keith A. Reed 9/12/23