

Village of Goodfield
Village Code Review Committee Meeting
October 17, 2022 @ 7:00p.m. at Village Hall

Village Code Review Committee Meeting was called to order by Chairman Hank Melton at 7:00p.m. Committee members present: Hank Melton & Nate Sauder. Also present were: Village President Jim Edwards, Public Works Administrator Nohl, Attorney Mike Gifford, Clerk Sheri Martin, Trustees Terry Nohl and Roger Mullins. Chief Lally arrived at 7:15pm. Absent was Village Code Review member Todd Perry.

The purpose of the meeting was to have discussion on proposed revisions to Chapter 10 of the Village Code and addition of vagrancy and loitering language to Village Code.

Proposed Revisions to Chapter 10

PWA Nohl reviewed the changes in Chapter 10 he felt were necessary from his perspective as Public Works Administrator. He reiterated that when Attorney Frank Ierulli was our attorney he stressed that the Board makes the rules/Code, the employees (Public Works Administrator, Building Inspector and Village Engineer enforce it. If there is a problem/request that goes to the Board of Appeals, they consider it then make a recommendation to the Village Board. The Village Board would have final say, unless it is an Administrative mistake. There was also discussion on the 20% masonry waiver and it was felt that this would be a variance request and should be taken out of Chapter 10. PWA Nohl was going to get some input as far as which year of business and residential code to use from the Building Inspector and the report back to the committee.

Addition of Vagrancy and Loitering Language to Village Code

Chief Lally said there has been an uptick in homeless people coming through our community. The majority of these people do not want assistance. Currently the Village does not have an ordinance in place to allow the police to encourage them to move on or to enforce it. Chief Lally believes we will continue to see more and more people coming through town so would like an ordinance set in place. Attorney Gifford will talk with Brad Cole from IL Municipal League and check to see if there is as much instruction on a non-home rule municipality. It was suggested that maybe it would be possible for municipalities to work together instead of dropping homeless people off in other towns. Chief Lally will discuss this at the Police Chief's Meeting.

No action was taken, so there being no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 8:45p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hank Melton, Village Code Review Chairman