

**VILLAGE OF LAKE BARRINGTON
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD JANUARY 6, 2009**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Special Committee of the Whole Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake Barrington was held at the Village Municipal Center, 23860 Old Barrington Road, on Tuesday, January 6, 2009, and was called to order by President Richardson at 6:03 p.m. Village Clerk Peterson was appointed Recording Secretary.

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Upon the roll being called, the following Trustees were physically present at said location: Trustees Burke, DeJesu, Raclaw, Schaller, Struck, Vonder Haar, and President Richardson

Absent: None.

The following Trustees were allowed by a majority of the members of the President and Board of Trustees in accordance with and to the extent allowed by rules adopted by the President and Board of Trustees to attend the meeting by video or audio conference: None.

No Trustee attended the meeting by video or audio conference.

The following Trustees were absent and did not participate in the meeting in any manner or to any extent whatsoever: None

Staff Present: Village Administrator Martin, Village Clerk Peterson, Village Treasurer Purcell and Village Accountant Deborah Vernon

Others Present: Village Attorney Bateman

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. INTER-TRACK PARTNERS: PRESENTATION

Bob Bilocerkowycz, distributed an information booklet and indicated he has resided in Lake Barrington for 18-1/2 years and currently resides at 25228 Cayuga in the Farm Trail Subdivision.

He explained Inter-Track Partners, LLC was formed by four Illinois racetracks (Balmoral Park, Hawthorne Racecourse, Maywood Park and Sportsman Park) after off-track wagering was established by State of Illinois legislation. Inter-Track Partners currently owns and operates fifteen wagering facilities. He stated off-track betting (OTB) host communities receive 1% City Tax Contribution and host counties receive a 1% County Tax Contribution. The Wauconda facility, which is now closed, generated \$9-10 million in handles. He noted OTB facilities are under-represented in Lake County; and he highlighted the proposed arrangements to have an OTB facility inside Kelsey Road House, how the OTB would be set-up and operated from within Kelsey Road House, and how it would be mutually beneficial for Inter-Track Partners LLC and Kelsey Road House.

He addressed the following frequently-asked questions.

- Legalized age of participation in IL is 18 years old but Inter-Track Partners will abide by municipal law. OTB employees would closely monitor for enforcement and card people within the area of operation. The material he distributed tonight lists municipal references where they are or have operated an OTB.
- Market: Semi-retired and retired persons, business people and trade people are the target market.

Mr. Bilocerkowycz expressed Inter-Track Partners LLC desires to be a part of the community.

Board Discussion

The Board was polled for questions.

Trustee DeJesu asked about the location being near a site for future school. Mr. Bilocerkowycz explained the business would be grandfathered, but will comply with the law relative to being located more than 500 feet from a church or school.

Trustee Vonder Haar stated she would want the legalized age to participate to be 21 years old because of the sales of alcohol. Mr. Bilocerkowycz replied Inter-Track Partners would not have a problem with the age restriction for the dedicated area, but would like to have people 18 or older to have access to the other areas on the second floor so Kelsey Road House doesn't lose that business. He assured the Board the area will be closely monitored.

Trustee Schaller asked if the OTB is limited to horse race wagering. Mr. Bilocerkowycz affirmed it is limited to horse racing and explained there would be wagering on horse races from tracks located around the country.

Trustee Burke inquired about the chart outlining projected revenue streams on Pg. 10 in the information handout. Mr. Bilocerkowycz stated Inter-Track has a baseline target for potential revenues of \$10 million in handles with a projected range of \$7.5 - \$10 million in handles with the current economy.

Mr. Bilocerkowycz stated the earliest the OTB could open would be April based on the timing of municipal approval and he reviewed the timetable and process which requires State of Illinois Race Board approval. Inter-Track would be able to open for business within approximately 4 weeks after municipal and state approval. They would like to open for the Kentucky Derby in May.

Trustee Burke inquired about signage and identity of the OTB. Inter-Track plans to add a sign or logo to the existing Kelsey Road House sign with Village approval. The OTB would be considered an amenity within Kelsey Road House. The OTB would be a separate entity from and tenants within the Kelsey Road House. Trustee Burke would prefer the primary identity of the business not be the OTB.

Mr. Bilocerkowycz explained the OTB would be marketed through a database of current and past customers, internet, and word of mouth. He explained how the OTB would increase the frequency of visits to the Kelsey Road House.

It was confirmed after Trustee Raclaw's inquiry that the Wauconda OTB facility is now closed.

Trustee Struck asked about changes in Village Code and liabilities. Village Attorney Bateman explained there will be a zoning text amendment proposed to authorize the special use for an OTB facility within that district and that there would be no extra liability.

Mr. Bilocerkowycz stated he believes the statute allowing a \$1 admission fee was intended to apply to Cook County and indicated Inter-Track would prefer not charging admission if applicable in Lake County. Mr. Bilocerkowycz explained the difference between the revenues generated by a casino and an off-track wagering facility which gets a straight percentage of the wagered handles and lottery tickets that are sold.

Trustee Struck asked about the OTB employees. Mr. Bilocerkowycz replied Inter-Track would have 3-1/2 full-time positions and that they plan on hiring former employees from the closed Wauconda facility.

Mr. Bilocerkowycz stated Inter-Track would enhance their OTB business by partnering with a well-run food establishment and that the Kelsey Road House would increase its business as well.

5. **ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Trustee Vonder Haar and seconded by Trustee Schaller to adjourn the meeting. The voice vote was unanimous, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta Peterson
Village Clerk
Recording Secretary