

**TIMBERLAKE CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING
MINUTES FROM
March 4, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

DuPage County Recorder, Fred Bucholz, spoke to the members about the function of the recorder's office, its present role in the county government and what changes are expected in the future.

Frank Wooster and Andy Anderson attended the meeting. They are part of the township street maintenance crew. They care for 82 miles of roads in our township including tree trimming, rite of way, ditches, patching potholes, plowing snow and paving. Residents expressed thanks to them for the great job they do. Residents asked if they could look at the light bulbs on Frontage and Fern. The lighting is insufficient.

Residents inquired about surveyors on South Frontage Road. A parcel was sold east of the trucking company and will have warehouses built on it. That is the most likely reason for the surveyors' activities.

Brian Quirke from the Department of Energy reported that Congress slashed the US science budget. As a result, the Intense Pulse Neutron Source shut down a year earlier than originally planned and 26 people were laid off. Also the Advanced Photon Source User Facility was reduced from 47 to 35 weeks of operation due to the cuts. Thanks to efforts by Judy Biggert working with the Department of Energy that was increased a bit to 40 weeks of operation. In the future \$40 million will be spent building the Center for Nannoscale Materials. \$45 million will be spent building the Space Travel and Medicine Injector Facility. The new \$80 million Theory and Computing Science Building will be funded by bonds put out by a private company and the state will rent it back. Super computers are already on site. The FRIB (Facility for Rare Isotope Beams) will be built either here or in Michigan State at a cost of about \$1/2 billion. All this construction is planned over the next 20 years or so. Argonne currently has an annual operating budget of about \$450 million separate from construction.

Kyle Gilgis reported on the situation at Essence Suites. The new tower will have non-combustible siding. The north and west sides will be lit with an LED clock. There is a limit to the amount of light from the signs. There is no height limit to a tower constructed attached to a building, but the permit has approval for a 62.7 ft tower and the inspector will be measuring it. Two of his buildings are incomplete and the permits for their construction have expired. Essence is currently converting the rooms, putting in desks and WI-fi. He has a contract with Midway Airport to take in stranded passengers and is getting a lot of Japanese businessmen. The result of the court case against him resulted in a fine of

\$3,000 and the state will replant the trees. The name of the judge presiding over the case is currently unknown.

Kyle also reported that we have changed to Lake Michigan water.

Residents were reminded to follow snow parking and snowplowing regulations (Don't blow/plow snow out onto the streets.) Also please do not drive on your neighbors' lawns.

Capital Estates land behind Scheel: The Forest Preserve is not interested in buying the property because it is not connected to Waterfall Glen.

Telephone book ads are bringing in about \$3,000 to offset the cost of the telephone books. We have 3 full pages of ads this year.

Doug Jones brought in the new signs. If you ordered a sign, look in the boxes. If there is a problem, call Doug. Thanks to John Curcio and others who helped make up the signs. A few new orders have not been completed yet. Approximately 180 signs have been ordered.

The meeting was adjourned at 845 PM.