

**Minutes
Lake County Board of Vacations
Public Hearing Conducted on July 11, 2024**

1. Call to Order: Mr. Olson called the hearing to order at 3:00 p.m. for Case No. #000978-2024 and reviewed the petition with those in attendance. Mr. Olson explained that the petition was legally advertised in the Daily Herald on June 24, 2024. The pledge was recited.
2. Roll Call
Board of Vacations representatives:
 Planning, Building and Development: Eric Steffen, Operations Manager, PB&D
 Division of Transportation: Betsy Duckert, Manager of Permitting, LCDOT
 Planning, Building and Development: Tom Chefalo, Principal Planner, PB&D
 Vacation Officer*: Frank Olson, Senior Planner/Project Manager, PB&D
 State's Attorney's Office*: Dan Brown, Principal Assistant Attorney, SAO
 * Non-voting members
3. Added to the Agenda (none)
4. Deferred Matters (none)
5. Other Business: Request to vacate an unimproved section of Asbury Avenue adjacent to 39845 N Lakeview Road, 26157 W Elm Tree Road, and 26156 W Lotus Road, in Antioch, Illinois.

Petitioner's Testimony

Daniel Venturi, the representative to the applicant, testified the following: They have lived on the subject property for 25 years and they own the parcels on both sides of the subject unimproved right of way. They want to bring the subject unimproved right of way under their ownership to clean it up.

Board Comments/Questions

Member Duckert raised questions about plans to develop the property. Daniel Venturi stated that the applicants are considering constructing a garage but no new homes. Member Chefalo stated that the existing developments in the subject right of way would need to be addressed if the subject unimproved right of way is vacated. PB&D staff member, Joel Krause, clarified what issues would need to be addressed and what information would be required.

Public Questions

No public questions.

Public Statements

No public statements.

Lake County Planning, Building and Development Department Statements

No statements from County Staff.

Closing Statement

In closing, Mr. Venturi reiterated the request to vacate the subject unimproved right of way.

Board Discussion

Member Duckert commented that the Plat of Vacation does not show an easement and that it would need to be added.

Close of Testimony/Action

A motion to close testimony was made by Member Chefalo and seconded by Member Steffen. The motion passed unanimously.

Frank Olson requested a motion be made to approve street vacation application #000978-2024; reading the request of the application and the legal description of the subject property. Member Chefalo moved to recommend approval of the petition to vacate the right-of-way with an added 10-foot utility easement, seconded by Member Duckert: Voting "Aye" on this motion, Members Chefalo, Duckert, and Steffen. Voting "Nay" on this motion, none.

The motion to recommend approval of the petition passed by a vote of 3-0 based on the following findings:

1. A vacation of the subject portion of Asbury Avenue, with a 10-foot utility easement for existing infrastructure, will have no negative impact on the public or public infrastructure.

Adjournment

Member Chefalo moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Steffen, which passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Thomas J. Chelala

MEMBER

Betsy L. Buckner

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Dated this 13 day of September 2024

