RESOLUTION NO. 20-21

A RESOLUTION TO IMPROVE LAKE AVENUE AND PARK AVENUE WITHIN THE OAKWOOD KNOLLS SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, the Oakwood Knolls subdivision was platted in the 1950's as a subdivision, and

WHEREAS, the subdivision plats included two small roads that together connected Lakewood Avenue with a property designated and deeded to the Oakwood Knolls Property Owners Association, and which has historically been used as a site for fishing, with a small pier being erected thereon by the Association, and

WHEREAS, Lakewood Avenue was improved many years ago and is used to access multiple private properties and residences within the said subdivision, and

WHEREAS, the two small roads aforesaid are known as Lake Avenue and Park Avenue, and these platted roadways were statutorily dedicated to the jurisdictional governmental agency, which at the present time is the Village of Antioch since the subdivision was incorporated approximately 60 years ago, and

WHEREAS, Lake Avenue and Park Avenue have been improved and maintained to some extent from time to time by the Village during the past 60 years, but with gravel and no surface coat of asphalt or concrete, and

WHEREAS, over the past 20 years, very little work was done on either Lake Avenue or Park Avenue by the Village, and up until 2019 the road was slowly being overtaken by grass to the point where it was little more than a footpath leading to the Association's fishing pier, and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Association allowed several loads of asphalt grindings to be placed upon Lake Avenue and Park Avenue, which disrupted the neighboring property owners since the grindings consisted of a variety of large and small lumps of asphalt and the uneven placement of the material caused drainage problems, and

WHEREAS, following that act, the Village hosted a meeting between the Association and the owners of the neighboring properties in an effort to reach a consensus of what condition these two dedicated small roads should exist in for the long term, and

WHEREAS, a consensus was reached that the grindings had to be removed, but no further agreement could be reached despite multiple efforts by Village officials to encourage the Association and the neighboring owners to hear one another and work toward a mutually agreeable solution, and

WHEREAS, the Village did cause the grindings to be removed, but the continued vehicular use of the platted roadbeds continues, leaving uneven ground, ruts and an unmanageable situation for both the users and the neighboring property owners, and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Village have the statutory right to use public property for all lawful purposes, including traversing on and over dedicated public roadways – even if currently unimproved or in poor condition, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds and declares that it is appropriate and in the best interest of all citizens of Antioch that Lake Avenue and Park Avenue be improved with graded gravel and proper drainage so as to allow reasonable access to the Association's property, with a minimum amount of disruption to the lives and tranquility of the neighboring property owners, provided that there need to be limits on the parking of vehicles on these two roads, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED by the Village Board of the Village of Antioch, Lake County Illinois as follows:

Section One: The Village Administrator is directed to take such action as is necessary or helpful in improving Lake Avenue and Park Avenue in substantial conformity with the drawings attached hereto and described as the Plan For Improvement of these roads.

Section Two: The Village Administrator is further directed to install signage on Lake Avenue and Park Avenue to limit parking on those roads consistent with the descriptions and text shown on the Plan for Improvement.

Section Three: The Village Administrator is authorized to cause maintenance to the gravel on the roadway on an as need basis but no more than one time per year.

Section Four: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and approval as provided by law.

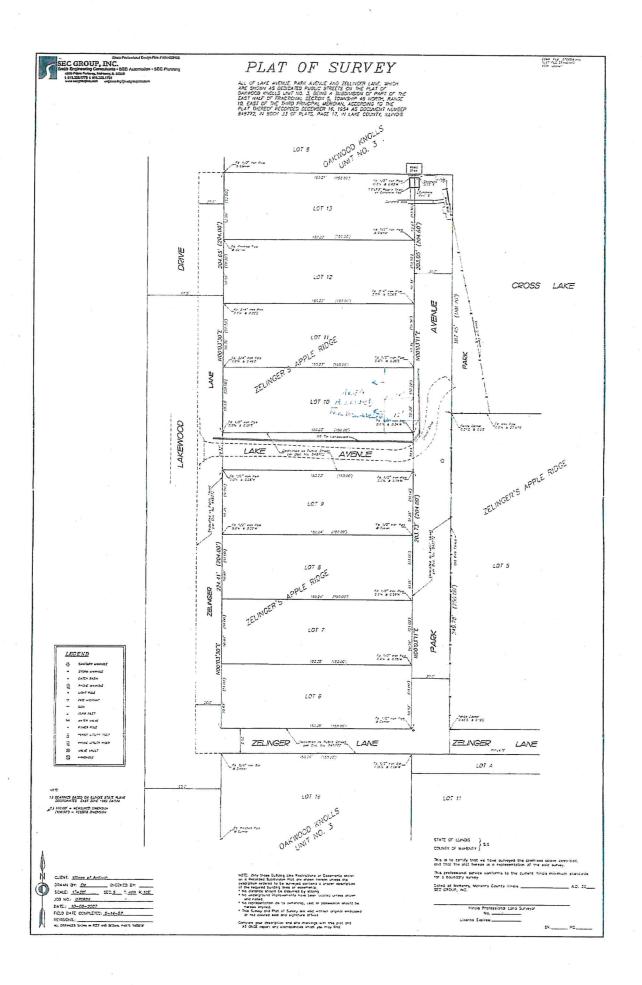
Dated at Antioch, Illinois, this 13th Day of July, 2020.

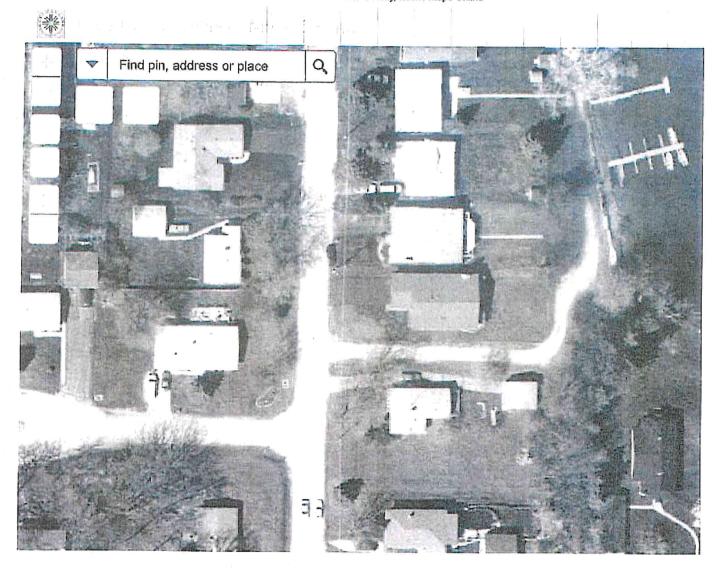
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