

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK HELD IN THE
POLICE STATION COMMUNITY ROOM AT
9451 BELMONT AVENUE
AUGUST 16, 2021**

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. CALL TO ORDER: President Pedersen called to order the Board of Trustees of the Village of Franklin Park in regular session at 7:00 p.m.

III. ROLL CALL; ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Village Clerk April J. Arellano called the roll:

Present at Board Meeting: Mayor Barrett F. Pedersen, Trustees: Ms. Irene Avitia, Mr. Gilbert Hagerstrom, Mr. John Johnson, Ms. Karen Special, Mr. Bill Ruhl, Mr. Andres Ybarra, and Joe Montana (Village Attorney); April J. Arellano (Village Clerk), Lisa Anthony (Health and Human Resources Director), John Schneider (Community Development Director), Dan Corcoran (IT Director), Mike Witz (Director of Police), Tom McCabe (Village Engineer), Joe Lauro (Utilities Director), Lisa Manzo (Deputy Building Director), Frank Grieshamer (Treasurer), Lt.

The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present

IV. PRESENTATION: COMMISSIONER FRANK J. AGUILAR

Not present.

V. SWEARING IN OF:

Village Clerk April J. Arellano, administered the oath to Ignacio Garcia as Franklin Park Fire Department Lieutenant

Village Clerk April J. Arellano administered the oath to Scott Loconti as Franklin Park Fire Fighter/Paramedic

Village Clerk April J. Arellano administered the oath to Christopher Boykin as Fire Fighter/Paramedic

Village Clerk April J. Arellano administered the oath to Alejandro Luna as Fire Fighter/Paramedic

Village Clerk April J. Arellano administered the oath to Jesse Valenti as Fire Fighter/Paramedic

Village Clerk April J. Arellano administered the oath to Rogelio Rodriguez as Fire Fighter/Paramedic

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limit to 2 minutes per speaker, Ordinance 1415-G-43)
There were no in-person public comments

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE AND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEES (Mr. Johnson, Chair)

1. MR. JOHNSON REPORTED ON THE AUDIT WITH THE THE EXTERNAL AUDITORS, A FINAL FILED AUDIT REPORT SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY OCTOBER 15
2. MR. JOHNSON REPORTED THAT ALL PAPERWORK REQUIRED BY THE STATE TO BEGIN THE REQUEST FOR ALLOCATION OF THE FEDERAL AMERICAN RESCUE FUNDS HAS BEEN COMPLETED. THE AMOUNT THE VILLAGE WILL RECEIVE IS 2.3 MILLION AND ½ WILL BE RECEIVED THIS FISCAL YEAR AND THE SECOND HALF WILL COME NEXT FISCAL YEAR
3. MR. JOHNSON REPORTED THAT JUNE 2021 FINANCIALS WILL BE SENT TO BOARD THIS WEEK AND COMPTROLLER WILL GO OVER A SUMMARY AT THE NEXT MEETING
4. MR. JOHNSON ANNOUNCED FRANKLIN PARK FEST IS LESS THAN 2 WEEKS AWAY AND WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 26 – 29

B. WATER AND SEWER/FLEET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

(Ms. Avitia, Chair)

1. MS. AVITIA REPORTED 5 WATER MAIN BREAKS
2. MS. AVITIA REPORTED ON THE INSTALLATION OF NEW MASTER WATER METERS AT THE CHICAGO VAULT AT BELMONT AND RIVER ROAD. THE METERES WILL BE PROGRAMMED NEPTUNE SOFTWARE AND WILL BE IN SERVICE
3. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THAT THE WATER METER DIVISION DOUBLED UP ON SERVICE CALLS AND ARE PREFORMING SERVICE CALL APPOINTMENTS EVERY HALF HOUR
4. MS. AVITIA ANNOUNCED THAT STAFF STARTED CLEANING THE SILVER CREEK WEEDS AND OVERGROWTH FROM THE CREEK EMBANKMENT FROM BELMONT AVENUE GOING SOUTH TO FULLERTON AVENUE
5. MS. AVITIA REPORTED ON THAT STAFF ATTENDED TWO MEETINGS WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE DEVELOPER CLEAR CHANEL AT THE KING STREET PUMP STATION FOR FUTURE ADVERTISING ON THE WATER STORAGE TANKS AND ONE BILLBOARD AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE PUMP STATION
6. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF DRAINED THE WEST 5 MILLION GALLON ABOVE GROUND POTABLE WATER STORAGE TANK SO SUEZ INC COULD COMPLETE AN INTERIOR WASHOUT FOR OUR ANNUAL MAINTENANCE
7. MS. AVITIA STATED THE SEWER DIVISION REBUILT 4 SANITARY MANHOLES AND 2 STORM STREET DRAINS
8. MS. AVITIA STATED 2700 FEET OF SANITARY LINES AND 3400 FEET OF MAIN STORM SEWER LINES WERE RODDED AND CLEANED OUT

9. MS. AVITIA STATED VILLAGE STAFF AS WELL AS SMITH LASALLE ENGINEERING STAFF ATTENDED 3 MEETINGS FOR THE ADVANCED FRANKLIN AVENUE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, 2 MEETINGS WITH REUTERS PHASE THREE AND FOUR CONSTRUCTION PROJECT
10. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THAT WATER BILLING HANDLED 179 EMAILS, 243 PHONE CALLS AND SET UP 167 SERVICE CALLS FOR ESTIMATED/HIGH BILL APPOINTMENTS, AND COMPLETED 13 F.O.I.A. REQUESTS
11. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THAT NUMBER 8 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION IS THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR THE ANNUAL SEWER LINING PROGRAM TO BENCHMARK

C. POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE (Mr. Ruhl, Chair)

1. MR. RUHL CONGRATULATED THE NEWLY SWORNED IN FIREFIGHTERS/PARADEMICS
2. MR. RUHL REPORTED THAT ON JULY 29, 2021, TACTICAL UNIT EXECUTED A NARCOTIC SEARCH WARRANT, AND TOOK INTO CUSTODY ONE MALE SUBJECT WHO WAS CHARGED WITH POSSESSION AND INTENT TO DELIVER CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE. THIS SAME SUBJECT HAD ACTIVE ARREST WARRANTS OUT OF DUPAGE COUNTY
3. MR. RUHL REPORTED THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS 2020 ANNUAL REPORT IS AVAILABLE ON LINE FOR VIEWING

D. STREETS, ALLEYS AND FLEET MAINTENANCE (Mr. Ybarra, Chair)

1. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT LAST WEEK'S STORM KEPT STAFF BUSY, THEY REMOVED 3 FULL TREES, REMOVED 7 PARTIAL TREES THAT HAD LIMB DAMAGE
2. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT IN FORESTRY DIVISION, 56 TREES WERE TRIMMED
3. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT STAFF HAS BEEN WORKING ON THE INSTALLATION OF BIKE PATH SIGNAGE AND THERMAL PLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKINGS. MR. YBARRA STATED THE THERMAL PLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKINGS SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF THE WEEK
4. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THE VILLAGE STAFF AND SMITH LASALLE STAFF ATTENDED MEETINGS WITH DUNNET BAY INC AND CHRISTOPHER BURKE ENGINEERING FOR THE FRANKLIN AVENUE ROAD CLOSURE AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECT
5. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT SMITH LASALLE STAFF AND VILLAGE STAFF IS COORDINATING THE WORK BEING DONE BETWEEN THE CONTRACTORS AND UTILITIES. MR. YBARRA STATED DUE TO THE RAIN AND STORM, IT'LL BE AT LEAST ONE MORE WEEK TO GET A FRANKLIN AVENUE PARTIAL OPENING
6. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT GRAFFITI STOPS REALLY PICKED UP. GRAFFITI REMOVED AT 5 LOCATIONS

7. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT REPAIRED POT HOLES ON THE EAST END OF TOWN AND ON THE SOUTH OF GRAND AREA, STAFF REPAIRED 4 STREET OPENINGS, PATCHED 5 STREETS, APPLIED 33 TONS OF COLD PATCH USED AND 21 TONS OF HOT PATCH
8. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THERE ARE TWO ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION, THE FIRST IS NUMBER NINE ON THE AGENDA, A MOTION TO APPROVE THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR OUR 2021 ANNUAL ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT TO J.A. PAVING AND NUMBER 10 ON THE AGENDA IS A MOTION TO APPROVE THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR OUR 2021 ANNUAL 50/50 CONCRETE SIDEWALK PROGRAM TO STRADA CONSTRUCTION
9. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THERE ARE TWO ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION

E. PROPERTY, PLANNING, ZONING, AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

(Ms. Special, Chair)

1. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED THAT PLAN COMMISSION MET ON JULY 28TH IN PERSON FOR THE FIRST TIME IN OVER A YEAR, STAFF PROVIDED AN IN DEPTH UPDATE ON ONGOING PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES
2. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MET ON AUGUST 4TH TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION FOR A CONDITIONAL USE
3. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED STAFF MET WITH THE COOK COUNTY BUREAU OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IN AN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY WAYS TO CONNECT LOCAL BUSINESSES THROUGHOUT THE REGION WITH PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES
4. MS. SPECIAL STATED CONSTRUCTION HAS PROGRESSED ON THE NEW DEVELOPMENT AT 9600 FRANKLIN AVENUE ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF FRANKLIN AVENUE AND ROSE STREET, WALLS HAVE GONE UP ON THE SIXTH AND FINAL FLOOR
5. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED THAT PUBLIC WORKS BEGUN INSTALLING SHARROWS AND SIGNS IDENTIFYING BICYCLE ROUTES ON SCOTT, CALWAGNER, EDGINGTON, AND ELM
6. MS. SPECIAL THANKED THE EFFORTS OF TINY AND HIS STAFF FOR HELPING TO COMPLETE THIS PROJECT, WHICH CREATES SAFER ROUTES FOR CHILDREN THAT BIKE TO SCHOOL
7. MS. SPECIAL STATED 80 CONTRACTORS APPLIED AND REGISTER FOR LICENSES, 129 BUILDING PERMITS, 33 ELECTRICAL PERMITS, 4 SIGN PERMITS, 0 DUMPSTER PERMITS, 9 FIRE PERMITS AND 2 POD PERMIT APPLIED FOR
8. MS. SPECIAL STATED THERE WERE 39 PROPERTY CLOSINGS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL, 6 NEW BUSINESSES APPLIED FOR OCCUPANCY, AND 5 OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATES ISSUED

F. HUMAN RESOURCES, SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE (Mr. Hagerstrom, Chair)

- 1. MR. HAGERSTROM ANNOUNCED THE NEXT BLOOD DRIVE WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 03, 2021 FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM**

VIII. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS; DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEM

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

(Items on the Consent Agenda will be enacted/approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless so requested by a member of the Village Board, in which case that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in the normal sequence of the Agenda.)

Village Clerk April J. Arellano read aloud public recital of Consent Agenda items

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM:
 - (a) REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 19, 2021
 - (b) THE PUBLIC MEETING FOR APPROPRIATION HEARING ON MONDAY, JULY 19, 2021
2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$3,091,274.25
3. ORDINANCE NO. 2122-VC
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER SIX OF TITLE SIX OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS (HANDICAPPED RESERVED PARKING SPACE FOR 2615 MAPLE STREET)
4. ORDINANCE NO. 2122-VC
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6-6F-8 OF CHAPTER SIX OF TITLE SIX OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO ELIMINATE THE HANDICAPPED RESERVED PARKING SPACE AT 2618 OAK STREET
5. ORDINANCE NO. 2122-Z
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE TO ALLOW FOR A "HEALTH CLUB/GYM" USE WITHIN THE I-2 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (ZBA 21-11: 10915 FRANKLIN AVENUE, UNIT K)
6. MOTION TO APPROVE A FRANKLIN PARK FEST BEER GARDEN VENDOR CONTRACT WITH SUGAR SKULL AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO TAKE SUCH NECESSARY ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

7. MOTION TO APPROVE BENCHMARK CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INCORPORATED, BARTLETT, ILLINOIS, AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE BIDDER FOR THE 2021 SEWER LINING PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$483,000.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BID ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION FROM THE VILLAGE ENGINEER AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

8. MOTION TO APPROVE J.A. JOHNSON PAVING COMPANY, ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS, AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE BIDDER FOR THE 2021 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$707,700.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BID ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION FROM THE VILLAGE ENGINEER AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

9. MOTION TO APPROVE STRADA CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, ADDISON, ILLINOIS, AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE BIDDER FOR THE 2021 50/50 SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$117,500.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BID ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION FROM THE VILLAGE ENGINEER AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

10. MOTION TO APPROVE THE SALVATION ARMY REQUEST TO CONDUCT THEIR ANNUAL RED KETTLE CAMPAIGN MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 24, 2021

Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Avitia to Approve the Consent Agenda with Item Number 5, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTABLISHING SALARY SCHEDULES AND OTHER COMPENSATION," removed to New Business.

Roll Call: Ayes –Ms. Avitia, Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Ruhl, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ybarra and Ms. Special, Nay – 0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. ORDINANCE NO. 2122-G

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTABLISHING SALARY SCHEDULES AND OTHER COMPENSATION

Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hagerstrom to approve the salary ordinance under New Business

Roll Call: Ayes –Ms. Avitia, Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Ruhl, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ybarra and Ms. Special, Nay – 0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0

XI. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK:

1. None

XII. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Mayor Pedersen stated there is a need for Salary Schedules for one or More Classes of Employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) and Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of certain Employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), and Collective Bargaining Negotiations Matters 5ILCS 120/2(c)(2), Purchase or Lease of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5),

Motion made by Ms. Ybarra, seconded by Mr. Hagerstrom to go into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. for "Salary Schedules for One or More Classes of Employees; and Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Certain Employees, Collective Bargaining Negotiations and Purchase or Lease of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5),"

Roll Call: Ayes – Mr. Hagerstrom, Ms. Special, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ruhl, Ms. Avitia, and Mr. Ybarra. Nay – 0. Absent – 0 Abstain – 0

RETURNED FROM CLOSED SESSION AT 8:15 P.M.

Village Clerk April Arellano stated to let the record reflect that all members returned. No action was taken in Closed Session

XIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Mayor Pedersen introduced Lisa Anthony, Human Resources and Operations Director.

1. Ms. Anthony gave a presentation on revenue versus expenses for garbage collection in Franklin Park. Ms. Anthony reported that the current cost per home that Republic charges the Village is \$24.71 per month. Residents pay \$22.96 per month. Lisa stated that this is a deficit of \$1.75 per month or \$21.00 per year per home that pay for garbage. The Village has always had a garbage deficit and will increase in October Ms. Anthony stated that of the 5,138 homes, there are 1,305 senior homes that are not charged for garbage

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Ms. Special, seconded by Mr. Hagerstrom to adjourn at 8:39 p.m.

Vote vote carried

ATTEST



April J. Arellano, Village Clerk

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