

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
JANUARY 19, 2021

MEETING MODIFICATION DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC:

PURSUANT TO GOVERNOR PRITZKER'S EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-07, DATED MARCH 16, 2020, WHICH SUSPENDS THE REQUIREMENT OF THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT PERTAINING TO IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE BY MEMBERS OF A PUBLIC BODY DURING THE DURATION OF THE GUBERNATORIAL DISASTER PROCLAMATION, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES PARTICIPATED IN THE MEETING THROUGH AUDIO ACCESS TECHNOLOGY. THE MEETING ROOM REMAINED OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND THE PUBLIC WAS ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING. ALL PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING PRACTICED APPROPRIATE SOCIAL DISTANCING. AS GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-10, DATED MARCH 20, 2020, AND CDC GUIDELINES, REQUIRE THAT NO MORE THAN 10 PEOPLE ARE ALLOWED IN THE BOARD ROOM AT ANY ONE TIME. THE PUBLIC WAS ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING TO VILLAGE CLERK ROBERTA JOHNSON AT RJOHNSON@VOFP.COM.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. CALL TO ORDER: President Pedersen called to order the Board of Trustees meeting of the Village of Franklin Park in regular session at 7:03 p.m.

III. ROLL CALL; ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Village Clerk Roberta Johnson called the roll:

Present at Board Meeting: Barrett F. Pedersen (Mayor); Joe Montana (Village Attorney); Roberta Johnson (Village Clerk); Roberto Smaldone (I.T.)

Present Via Teleconference: Trustees: Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ruhl, Ms. Special, Mr. Ybarra. Absent: Trustee Avitia

The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present

Staff Members Present Via Telecommunication: Lisa Anthony (Director of Human Resources/Health and Welfare), Joe Lauro (Utilities Commissioner), Tom McCabe (Engineer Consultant for Smith LaSalle), Frank Grieshamer (Treasurer), Mike Witz (Director, Police Department), David Gonzalez (Comptroller), John Schneider (Director, Community Development), Bill Brehm (Fire Chief)

IV. BEST DECORATED HOME CONTEST WINNERS

1ST PLACE - 2497 WESTBROOK DR

2ND PLACE - 3118 ELDER LANE

3RD PLACE - 3229 SUNSET LANE

Mayor Pedersen announced the winners of the Best Decorated Home Contest and congratulated the winners on their beautiful displays

- V. **PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limit to 2 minutes per speaker, Ordinance 1415-G-43)**
(Public was also give the opportunity to submit comments to the Village Clerk via email to be read at the meeting) There was no one from the public in the meeting and no emails were submitted to the Village Clerk to be read at the Board Meeting by 4:30 p.m.

VI. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

1. **MR. JOHNSON STATED HE HAD NO REPORT FOR FINANCE OR SPECIAL EVENTS EXCEPT TO CONGRATULATE THE BEST DECORATED HOMES CONTEST WINNERS**

B. **WATER AND SEWER/FLEET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE (Ms. Avitia Chair)**

1. **MS. SPECIAL (FOR MS. AVITIA) ANNOUNCED 1 WATER MAIN BREAK, 1 WATER SERVICE BREAK, 1 BUFFALO BOX REPAIRED, 1 HYDRANT REPLACED, 2 HYDRANTS REPAIRED, AND PUMP 1 AT A LIFT STATION FAILED AND IS CURRENTLY OUT OF SERVICE**

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

1. **MR. RUHL STATED FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT THERE WAS A NARCOTIC SEARCH WARRANT EXECUTED FOR A HOTEL ON MANNHEIM ROAD (UNINCORPORATED LEYDEN TOWNSHIP) AND ONE PERSON WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY HAVING 2 HANDGUNS AND IN POSSESSION OF COCAINE AND HEROIN. THE SUBJECT WAS CHARGED WITH UNLAWFUL USE OF FIREARMS AND TWO COUNTS OF POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DELIVER CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE**
2. **MR. RUHL ANNOUNCED A MAJOR FIRE IN RIVER GROVE THAT THE FRANKLIN PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO AND ALSO A SECOND FLOOR FIRE ON CROWN ROAD IN FRANKLIN PARK WHERE A PERSON AND A DOG WERE RESCUED. HE COMMENTED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DID AN OUTSTANDING JOB ON BOTH FIRES**

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

1. **MR. YBARRA STATED THERE WERE TWO SNOW OPERATIONS THAT WERE CONDUCTED**
2. **MR. YBARRA ANNOUNCED THE STREET DEPARTMENT HAD TWO CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUPS, JANUARY 4 AND 11**
3. **MR. YBARRA ANNOUNCED 41 TONS OF COLD PATCH WAS USED IN FILLING POT HOLES AND HOT PATCHED 3 STREET CUT OUTS**
4. **MR. YBARRA ANNOUNCED SMITH LASALLE HAS COMPLETED THE NEW PAVEMENT ASSESSMENT MAP AND THE MAP HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE VILLAGE WEBSITE**

5. **MR YBARRA STATED THE FRANKLIN AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT IS MOVING ALONG WITH PRE-FINAL PLANS AND SPEC'S RECEIVED FROM EXP ENGINEERING AND THE UTILITIES DEPARTMENT AND STAFF WILL BE MEETING WITH SMITH LASALLE TO REVIEW THE PLANS**
6. **MR. YBARRA ANNOUNCED TWO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH SMITH LASALLE FOR BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION RELATED TO THE GRAND AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT AND A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE**

E. PROPERTY, PLANNING, ZONING, AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

(Ms. Special, Chair)

1. **MS. SPECIAL ANNOUNCED 5 CONTRACTORS APPLIED AND REGISTERED FOR LICENSES. THERE WERE 18 BUILDING PERMITS, 6 ELECTRICAL, 1 SIGN PERMIT AND 3 DUMPSTER PERMITS APPLIED FOR WITH A TOTAL OF 28 PERMITS ISSUED IN A TWO-WEEK SPAN. THERE WERE 8 PROPERTY CLOSINGS BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL AND 3 STORAGE CONTAINER RENEWALS**
2. **MS. SPECIAL COMMENTED ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT STAFF WORKING WITH THE VILLAGE ENGINEERS FOR GRANT PROGRAMS AND FUNDING**
3. **MS. SPECIAL STATED THAT CAMIROS LTD IS WORKING ON UPDATING THE ZONING ORDINANCE AND IT IS BEING REVIEWED BY THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY AND THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**
4. **MS. SPECIAL STATED ZONING IS CURRENTLY REVIEWING FIVE BUILDING PERMIT OCCUPANCY PACKETS**

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

1. **MR. HAGERSTROM STATED HE HAD NO REPORT**

VII. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

1. **COMMISSIONER JOE LAURO STATED METRA CONTACTED TRUSTEE RUHL IN REGARDS TO TWO ANTIQUE SIGNALS FROM THE 1920'S, ONE FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA CENTRAL AND ONE FROM THE MILWAUKEE ROAD, THAT WERE IN GOOD SHAPE AND UNTIL RECENTLY WERE USED AT UNION STATION. THEY NO LONGER NEEDED THEM AND ASKED IF THE VILLAGE WAS INTERESTED IN OBTAINING THEM. MR. LAURO INFORMED METRA THE VILLAGE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THEM TO PUT BY THE B-12 TOWER**

VIII. 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.)

1. **Village Clerk Roberta Johnson read aloud public recital of Consent Agenda items**
APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM:
(a) REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 04, 2021
2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,758,186.44
3. **ORDINANCE NO. 2021 VC**
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE FOUR OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO REGULATE UNSOLICITED MATERIAL
4. **ORDINANCE NO. 2021 G**
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS APPROVING AN ADDENDUM TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE PROVISO-LEYDEN JOINT 9-1-1 AUTHORITY FOR THE NEW MEMBERSHIP OF THE VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK
5. **ORDINANCE NO. 2021 G**
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION RELATED SERVICES FOR THE GRAND AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT BY AND BETWEEN SMITH LASALLE, INCORPORATED AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
6. **ORDINANCE NO. 2021 G**
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION RELATED SERVICES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE BY AND BETWEEN SMITH LASALLE, INCORPORATED AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
7. **ORDINANCE NO. 2021 G**
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR BUILDING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT SERVICES BY AND BETWEEN SAFE BUILT ILLINOIS, LLC AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

8. MOTION TO APPROVE A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN CASE NUMBER 2020 CH 03960 AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EFFECTUATE SAME
9. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE AN UNDERWRITER ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH STIFEL, NICOLAUS & COMPANY, INCORPORATED PERTAINING TO THE ISSUANCE OF MUNICIPAL SECURITIES

*Motion made by Mr. Ybarra seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the Consent Agenda.
Roll Call: Ayes – Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ruhl, Ms. Special, and Mr. Ybarra.
Nay – 0. Absent – Ms. Avitia. Abstain – 0.*

IX. APPOINTMENTS/SWEARING IN

None

X. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK

1. Village Clerk Roberta Johnson had no comments

XI. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

1. Mayor Pedersen commented on a notice that was received from the federal government regarding threats of violence to federal government and municipalities throughout the country during Wednesday with the swearing in of the new president. Mayor Pedersen stated security equipment has been tested and a police officer assigned to the Village Hall

XII. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Special to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.
Roll Call: Ayes – Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ruhl, Ms. Special, and Mr. Ybarra.
Nay – 0. Absent – Ms. Avitia. Abstain – 0.

ATTEST

Roberta Johnson, Village Clerk

Notice of Meeting Duly Posted as per Illinois Open Meeting Act