

## **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

### **THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK HELD AT THE PARK DISTRICT OF FRANKLIN PARK 9560 FRANKLIN AVENUE, MAPLE ROOM SEPTEMBER 17, 2012**

#### **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 7:35 p.m.

#### **III. ROLL CALL; ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

Village Clerk Tommy Thomson called the roll:

**Present:** Trustees Mr. Brimie, Mr. Johnson, Ms. McLean, Mr. Petersen, Ms. Rodriguez, and Mr. Ruhl

The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present

**Legal Representation Present:** Joe Montana, Village Attorney

**Staff Members Present:** Lisa Anthony (Health and Human Resources Director), Frank Grieshamer (Treasurer), Steve Scheffel (Village Engineer), John Schneider (Interim Economic Development Director), Dennis Wagner (I.T. Director), Chief Steve Iovinelli (Fire Department), Chief Mike Witz and Deputy Chief Phil Ruch (Police Department)

#### **IV. PRESENTATION: MATT ELMORE WITH ENERGY IMPACT ILLINOIS ON AN ENERGY REBATE PROGRAM**

Matt Elmore from Energy Impact Illinois gave a presentation on the Energy Rebate Program. This program is funded by the Department of Energy but implemented by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP). Most residential owners can qualify for this program. This program can save approximately \$400 to \$500 a year on energy costs and increase the value of home if you make these energy-saving upgrades

#### **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- 1. Ken Zurek, 3229 George Street – Commented on Consent Agenda items #4, #5 and #6 6b classifications and on the Mayor’s appointment of the Community Development Director**
- 2. Kurt Kugelberg, 2506 Maple Street – Commented on bonds and the appointment of the Community Development Director**

#### **VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. FINANCE AND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE (Mr. Johnson, Chair)**
  - 1. MR. JOHNSON STATED HE HAD NOTHING TO REPORT**
  
- B. WATER AND SEWER/FLEET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE (Mr. Ruhl, Chair)**
  - 1. MR. RUHL'S REPORT WAS GIVEN DURING BOND HEARING**
  
- C. POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE (Mr. Petersen, Chair)**
  - 1. MR. PETERSEN STATED HE IS IMPRESSED WITH THE PROGRESS OF THE NEW POLICE STATION AND HOW IT IS MOVING ALONG**
  - 2. MR. PETERSEN REPORTED ALL OF THE COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM THE OLD POLICE STATION AND BROUGHT TO THE FIRE STATION ON ADDISON STREET**
  
- D. STREET AND ALLEY COMMITTEE (Mr. Brimie, Chair)**
  - 1. MR. BRIMIE REMINDED EVERYONE TO BE CAREFUL DRIVING AROUND TOWN BECAUSE THERE IS A LOT OF WORK BEING DONE ON THE SEWERS AND THE TOPS ARE STICKING UP OUT OF THE STREETS**
  - 2. MR. BRIMIE REMINDED EVERYONE TO SHOP LOCALLY WHICH SUPPORTS THE 3/50 PROJECT**
  - 3. MR. BRIMIE STATED HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE FRANKLIN PARK UNITED**
  
- E. PROPERTY, PLANNING, ZONING, AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE (Ms. Rodriguez, Chair)**
  - 1. MS. RODRIGUEZ STATED SHE HAD NOTHING TO REPORT**
  
- F. HEALTH, HUMAN RESOURCES, GREEN TECHNOLOGY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE (Ms. McLean, Chair)**
  - 1. MS. MCLEAN ANNOUNCED THERE IS A BLOOD DRIVE THIS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. THE SENIOR COMMISSION WILL BE HELPING WITH THE BLOOD DRIVE**
  - 2. MS. MCLEAN THANKED LISA ANTHONY FOR HELPING AN ELDERLY RESIDENT WHO IS HOUSE BOUND WITH SOME HEALTHCARE NEEDS**
  - 3. MS. MCLEAN REPORTED ONE OF THE GOALS OF THE "LET'S MOVE" INITIATIVE WAS MET THIS PAST SATURDAY WHEN THE PARK DISTRICT SPONSORED A 5K RACE**
  - 4. MS. MCLEAN THANKED THOSE WHO SUPPORTED THE BOND ISSUE**

**VII. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS; DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1. Chief Witz explained what Item #8 on the Consent Agenda was all about. Chief Witz spoke about the Police Department providing traffic control over the weekend for the 5K Race; and he spoke about two narcotics search warrants executed by the Police Department**
- 2. John Schneider spoke about meeting with the property owners who own the site where Kmart use to be and stated they are thinking about redeveloping it. Big Lots is one of the current leasers. Mr. Schneider explained the three 6b real estate tax assessment applications on the Consent Agenda and also spoke about the application put into CMAP to look at doing land use studies and traffic studies out in the Village's industrial area**
- 3. Steve Scheffel spoke about the street improvement program that is underway. Mr. Scheffel spoke about the project the Village is working on with ComEd to install cable lines and electrical duct banks. The last item Mr. Scheffel spoke about was the "Safe Routes to School" project which will involve improvements to the walkways at 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Gage Street and 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Chestnut Street**
- 4. Chief Iovinelli spoke about the Fire Department responding to a call on Washington Street. The Fire Department also responded to a fire in Elmwood Park on Sunday morning. Chief Iovinelli reported the first of the new fire engine's chassis and cabs will be at the fire station on Wednesday. Chief Iovinelli announced Thursday ISO (Insurance Services Office) will be coming out. ISO is a rating service that will rate the Village for its fire protection**
- 5. Dennis Wagner spoke about the new AT&T contract signed earlier this year which is saving the Village approximately \$5,000 to \$6,000 per month and about the switch over to Verizon which is saving the Village approximately \$1,000 per month. Mr. Wagner reported the new antenna site up at the west water tower is fully operational and online. The Village's communication equipment has all been removed from the water tower. Mr. Wagner spoke about meeting with new vendors regarding a new phone system**

**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.)**

**Village Clerk Tommy Thomson 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, SEPTEMBER 4, 2012**
- 2. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$918,507.47**

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 1213 R**  
**A RESOLUTION HONORING THE FRANKLIN PARK WOMAN'S CLUB BY THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**
4. **RESOLUTION NO. 1213 R**  
**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A CLASS 6B REAL ESTATE TAX ASSESSMENT APPLICATION BY AVNI PATEL FOR THE FACILITY LOCATED AT 11125-27 FRANKLIN AVENUE, VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**
5. **RESOLUTION NO. 1213 R**  
**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A CLASS 6B REAL ESTATE TAX ASSESSMENT APPLICATION BY BMW VENTURE, LLC FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITY LOCATED AT 3747 NORTH ACORN LANE, VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**
6. **RESOLUTION NO. 1213 R**  
**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A CLASS 6B REAL ESTATE TAX ASSESSMENT APPLICATION BY VENEZIANO ENTERPRISES, LLC FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITY LOCATED AT 2830 COMMERCE STREET, VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**
7. **ORDINANCE NO. 1213 G**  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 1112 G 49 (AMEND SALARY SCHEDULES – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR)**
8. **MOTION TO APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS STEMMING FROM A VEHICLE ACCIDENT OCCURRING ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2011, IN THE MATTER GRAZYNA ZGRZEBSKA v. CARLOS LAZCANO AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK AND AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE COMPTROLLER TO IMMEDIATELY DISBURSE SAID AMOUNT TO CCMSI AND FURTHER AUTHORIZE CCMSI TO TAKE SUCH NECESSARY ACTION ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE FOR FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE MATTER**
9. **MOTION TO APPROVE KIWANIS REQUEST FOR ANNUAL PEANUT DAY TAG COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 27, 28, 29, 2012 AT GRAND AVENUE AND MANNHEIM ROAD AND GRAND AVENUE AND 25<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE**

**Motion made by Ms. McLean, seconded by Mr. Johnson to Approve the Consent Agenda.**

**Roll Call: Ayes –Ms. Rodriguez, Ms. McLean, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Brimie, Mr. Ruhl, and Mr. Petersen.  
Nay – 0. Absent – 0. Abstain – 0.**

(Village Clerk Tommy Thomson read aloud each of the items that were identified on the consent agenda and under consideration by the Village Board before final action on the items identified on the consent agenda occurred)

*Village Clerk Tommy Thomson read the resolution honoring the Franklin Park Woman's Club*

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. None

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

1. None

**XI. APPOINTMENTS/SWEARING IN**

**1. Director of Community Development Department**

**President Pedersen appointed John Schneider as Director of Community Development**

**Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. McLean to Confirm the Appointment of John Schneider as Director of Community Development.**

**Roll Call: Ayes –Mr. Ruhl, Ms. Rodriguez, Mr. Brimie, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Petersen, and Ms. McLean. Nay – 0. Absent – 0. Abstain – 0.**

*Village Clerk Tommy Thomson swore in John Schneider as Director of Community Development*

**2. Auxiliary Police Officer**

**President Pedersen appointed Patrick Arnold, Savario (Sammy) Sassanelli and Jorge Higareda as Auxiliary Police Officers**

**Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Rodriguez to Confirm the Appointment of Patrick Arnold, Savario (Sammy) Sassanelli and Jorge Higareda as Auxiliary Police Officers.**

**Roll Call: Ayes –Mr. Ruhl, Ms. Rodriguez, Mr. Brimie, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Petersen, and Ms. McLean. Nay – 0. Absent – 0. Abstain – 0.**

*Village Clerk Tommy Thomson swore in Jorge Higareda as Auxiliary Police Officer*

**XII. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK**

1. **Village Clerk Tommy Thomson announced he is still accepting DD214's and discharge papers for veterans of Franklin Park to be put on the Veterans' Monument**

**XIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

1. **President Pedersen spoke about Wendy Becker (her husband Keith had previously spoken on behalf of the storm water project on Westbrook Drive) was asked to sign a petition outside of the library and stated she wasn't told what the petition was all about, but was told if she didn't sign the petition there would be a 50% increase in her taxes. Mrs. Becker indicated she would like to have her name removed from the petition**
2. **President Pedersen spoke about the Citizen's Utility Board's residential energy efficiency program called CUB Energy Saver**

**XIV. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion made by Mr. Brimie, seconded by Ms. McLean to recess to Closed Session for matters of Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Certain Employees; and Collective Bargaining Negotiations Matters at 8:22 p.m.**

**Roll Call: Ayes –Mr. Johnson, Ms. McLean, Mr. Brimie, Mr. Petersen, Ms. Rodriguez and Mr. Ruhl.  
Nays – 0. Abstain – 0. Absent – 0.**

**RETURNED FROM CLOSED SESSION AT 8:59 P.M.**

**Village Clerk, Tommy Thomson, stated to let the record reflect that all members returned**

**No action was taken in Closed Session**

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion made by Ms. McLean, seconded by Ms. Rodriguez to adjourn at 8:59 p.m.  
Voice vote carried**

**ATTEST** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tommy Thomson, Village Clerk**

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