

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
SEPTEMBER 20, 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 7:01 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: Mr. Ybarra, Ms. Avitia, Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Special, Mr. Bill Ruhl, Joe Montana (Village Attorney); April J. Arellano (Village Clerk), Dan Corcoran (I.T. Director), Lisa Anthony (Human Resources/Health and Welfare Director), Frank Grieshamer (Treasurer), Mike Witz (Police Department Director), John Schneider (Community Development Director), Lisa Manzo (Deputy Building Director), Tom McCabe (Village Engineer),

The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present

IV. SWEARING IN OF POLICE OFFICERS:

Village Clerk April J. Arellano, administered the oath to Alex Gountanis as Franklin Park Police Officer

Village Clerk April J. Arellano, administered the oath to David Vega as Franklin Park Police Officer

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limit to 2 minutes per speaker, Ordinance 1415-G-43)

There were no in-person public comments

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

- 1. MR. JOHNSON REPORTED ON THE US BANK LEASE FOR THE DUMP TRUCKS WAS COMPLETED ON THE AGREEMENT AND WILL BE CLOSING SOON**
- 2. MR. JOHNSON REPORTED THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT IS WORKING WITH THE UNDERWRITERS ON REFINANCING THE 2013 BONDS, APPROXIMATELY \$11.1 MILLION IS BEING REFUNDED WITH A SAVINGS OF \$1.6 MILLION OVER THE LIFE OF THE BONDS. MR. JOHNSON STATED THE VILLAGE WILL FREE UP APPROXIMATELY \$150,000 PER YEAR WITH THE REFUNDING**

3. **MR. JOHNSON STATED THE AUDIT IS IN PROGRESS AND IT IS EXPECTED TO BE FILED THE END OF OCTOBER**
 4. **MR. JOHNSON ANNOUNCED THE FRANKLIN PARK FALL FEST PARADE WILL BE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3RD**
 5. **MR. JOHNSON ANNOUNCED NAMES OF VETERANS CAN BE SUBMITTED TO THE CLERK'S OFFICE BY OCTOBER 15 TO BE ADDED TO THE MEMORIAL WALL IN TIME FOR OUR VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONY. TO QUALIFY, VETERAN MUST HAVE LIVED IN FRANKLIN PARK AND NEED TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THE VETERAN'S DD-214 (HONORY DISCHARGE) FORM**
 6. **MR. JOHNSON THANKED EVERYONE FOR ATTENDING THE PATRIOT'S DAY CEREMONY**
- B. WATER AND SEWER/FLEET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE (Ms. Avitia, Chair)**
1. **MS. AVITIA REPORTED 4 WATER MAIN BREAKS, 1 WATER SERVICE LEAK**
 2. **MS. AVITIA REPORTED BOTH KING STREET 5 MILLION GALLON TANKS WERE SERVICED BY SUEZ AND BACK IN SERVICE**
 3. **MS. AVITIA REPORTED CURTIS CANDY POTABLE PUMP STATION WAS OUT OF SERVICE DUE TO A PUMP MOTOR FAILURE, BELLWOOD MOTORS PULLED THE MOTOR AND IS REBUILDING IT**
 4. **MS. AVITIA STATED ESI IS WORKING WITH OUR I.T. DEPARTMENT TO RESTORE THE SCADA SERVER AND THE SERVER BACK IN SERVICE SO STAFF DOES NOT HAVE TO MONITOR TANK AND PRESSURE LEVELS MANUALLY**
 5. **MS. AVITIA REPOED WATER BILLING RESPONDED TO 189 EMAILS AND 174 PHONE CALLS CONCERNING HIGH BILLS, ESTIMATED ACCOUNTS, DELINQUENT WATER SHUT OFFS, AND THEY COMPLETED 17 F.O.I.A. REQUESTS**
 6. **MS. AVITIA STATED ONLY 2 WATER ACCOUNTS WERE SHUT OFF, 60 REMAINING ACCOUNTS EITHER PAID THE BALANCE IN FULL OR ENTERED INTO A PAYMENT AGREEMENT**
 7. **MS. AVITIA STATED THE SEWER AT ROSE AND NEVADA HAS BEEN REPAIRED, 20 FEET OF FIFTEEN INCH SANITARY SEWER WAS REPLACED, AND STAFF REBUILT 4 STREET DRAINS, AND 1 STORM MANHOLE**
 8. **MS. AVITIA STATED THE ANNUAL SEWER LINING PROGRAM STARTED AND IS ON SCHEDULE, THE CONTRACTOR BENCHMARK WILL BE WORKING ON LINING ON THE FOLLOWING BLOCKS: 2500 LINCOLN, 2400 SARAH, NEVADA AVENUE WEST OF SCOTT, 2500 ERNST, HACKE COURT, KIMMEY LANE, AND BRITTA AVENUE**
 9. **MS. AVITIA REPORTED SMITH LASALLE STAFF IS WORKING ON THE SEWER LINING PROJECT INSPECTING THE LINING**
 10. **MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF RODDED AND CLEANED 4,145 FEET OF SANITARY SEWERS AND 3,856 FEET OF STORM SEWERS AND TELEVISED 1059 FEET OF STORM SEWERS**

11. MS. AVITIA STATED THE METER DIVISION REPLACED 57 METER TELE CODER HEADS, 41 METER BODIES AND COMPLETED 121 SERVICE CALLS
12. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THE VILLAGE IS IN THE PROCESS OF CHANGING THE ANTENNAS THAT GET THE METER READS ON THE CLEARING AND MAIN ELEVATED TANKS

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

1. MR. RUHL CONGRATULATED THE NEWLY SWORN IN OFFICERS, ALEX GOUNTANIS AND DAVID VEGA
2. MR. RUHL STATED HE HAD NOTHING TO REPORT FROM EITHER POLICE OR FIRE DEPARTMENTS

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

1. MR. YBARRA THANKED STAFF FOR SETTING UP THE SEPTEMBER 11 MEMORIAL SERVICE CERAMONY, TAKING DOWN OF CHAIRS AND THE SOUND AND PA SYSTEM
2. MR. YBARRA REPORTED 121 TREES WERE TRIMMED, AND 35 TREES REMOVED DUE TO WIND DAMAGE OR DECAY, AND PLACED FOR NEW TREE PLANTING FOR THIS FALL
3. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT THE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE FOR THIS YEAR'S TREE LIGHTENING EVENT WAS DONATED
4. MR. YBARRA STATED STAFF WENT THROUGH THE ENTIRE VILLAGE FILLING POT HOLES TWICE THROUGH THE COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SECTIONS, 39 TONS OF COLD PATCH WERE USED
5. MR. YBARRA STATED STAFF REPAIRED 17 STREET CUT OUTS WITH HOT PATCH
6. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THE COMPLETION OF THE ANNUAL 50/50 SIDEWALK PROGRAM, THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM THE VILLAGE REPLACED OVER 10,000 LINEAR FEET OF CONCRETE
7. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT WORK ON REUTERS PHASE THREE AND FOUR AND IT IS MOVING ALONG, THE CONTRACTOR WILL START THE CONCRETE WORK IN THE ROADWAY PORTION, THE CONTRACTOR WAS INSTALLING CURBS, SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAY APRONS THE PAST COUPLE OF WEEKS
8. MR. YBARRA REPORED RIVER ROAD AND ROBINSON ROAD TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION BY I.D.O.T. IS MOVING ALONG AND EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY MID NOVEMBER
9. MR. YBARRA ANNOUNCED FRANKLIN AVENUE ROAD CLOSURE SHOULD BE BACK OPEN BY THE END OF THIS MONTH, THE DELAY WAS DUE TO WEATHER AND PUMPING BY CP RAILROAD
10. MR. YBARRA REPORTED SMITH LASALLE STAFF HAS BEEN BUSY ON MULTIPLE PROJECTS THAT INCLUDE THE DEMOLITION OF 3019 ROSE, 50/50 CONCRETE PROGRAM, REUTERS PHASE 3 AND 4, THE MAIN FRANKLIN AVENUE STATE CONTRACT WORK, TWO PHASES OF FRANKLIN AVENUE, THE NEW TOLLWAY PROJECT ON FRANKLIN AVENUE AND COUNTY LINE ROAD, AND THE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

11. MR. YBARRA REPORTED SMITH LASALLE STAFF AND VILLAGE STAFF HAS ATTENDED MULTIPLE MEETINGS AS WELL AS ZOOM MEETINGS WITH I.D.O.T.
12. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT NUMBER 9 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION IS THE SNOW REMOVAL CONTRACT BETWEEN T-CAT ENTERPRISE AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, T-CAT HAS BEEN PLOWING THE STREETS FROM MANNHEIM ROAD GOING WEST TO COUNTY LINE ROAD EACH WINTER

**E. PROPERTY, PLANNING, ZONING, AND BUILDING COMMITTEE
(Ms. Special, Chair)**

1. MS. SPECIAL STATED THE COMMUNITY DIRECTOR, JOHN SCHNEIDER WAS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN A CALL HOSTED BY THE COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY TO GIVE HIS INPUT ON HOW THE COUNTY SHOULD PRIORITIZE FUNDS THAT WILL BE GRANTED THROUGH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021, COOK COUNTY'S GOAL IS TO SUPPORT HEALTHY, RESILIENT COMMUNITIES THAT THRIVE ECONOMICALLY, SOCIALLY, AND ENVIRONMENTALLY WITH THE APPROXIMATELY \$1 BILLION THE COUNTY EXPECTS TO RECEIVE THROUGH THIS PROGRAM
2. MS. SPECIAL STATED MR. SCHNEIDER PROVIDED IDEAS TO FUND PROJECTS WITH LASTING BENEFITS FOR COMMUNITIES SUCH AS INNOVATIVE JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS THAT ARE GEARED TOWARD GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIES AND TECHNOLOGIES
3. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED FOR THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, 32 CONTRACTORS APPLIED FOR LICENSES, 68 BUILDING, 11 ELECTRICAL, 3 SIGN, 0 DUMPSTER, 9 FIRE PERMITS, AND 0 POD PERMITS

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

1. MR. HAGERSTROM ANNOUNCED THAT LEYDEN FAMILY SERVICES WILL RESUME THEIR IN PERSON DAYS ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, FROM 9 A.M TO NOON AT THE VILLAGE HALL
2. MR. HAGERSTROM ANNOUNCED SHRED DAY ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON AT THE POLICE STATION, OSCO WILL ALSO BE THERE TO PROVIDE FLU SHOTS, COVID VACCINES AND BOOSTER SHOTS, IF AVAILABLE. ADDITIONALLY, METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT WILL BE PRESENT TO DISTRIBUTE TREES AND COMPOST MATERIAL. THE SHERIFF DART'S OFFICE WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTING EXPIRED MEDICATIONS

VII. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS; DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEM

1. **Mr. Joe ‘Tiny’ Lauro commented on the Fleet Division, he reported that the new mechanics work and compliment phenomenally well, and the Village is looking to hire a third mechanic**
2. **Mr. Lauro reported further on how outdated the current Scada System is and thanked I.T. Director, Dan Corcoran, for putting in many hours of work to find a system he can upgrade to. With a new system in place, Mr. Lauro will be able to generate a source of revenue, as many neighboring municipalities are looking to purchase fuel from the Village. Mr. Lauro reported that the new system will be able to track fuel making this possible**

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 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 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 07, 2021
2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$ 1,420,198.06 (*Moved to New Business*)
3. ORDINANCE NO. 2122 VC
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 5-4-4 OF CHAPTER FOUR OF TITLE FIVE OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS CONCERNING FIRE ALARM OR FIRE SUPPRESSION DIRECT CONNECTION FEE
4. 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 (ELIMINATE VARIOUS HANDICAPPED RESERVED PARKING SPACES)
5. 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 2834 HAWTHORNE STREET

6. ORDINANCE NO. 2122 G 28
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$11,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING DEBT CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2021A, OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN OUTSTANDING DEBT CERTIFICATES, EVIDENCING THE RIGHTS TO PAYMENT UNDER AN INSTALLMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT, AND PROVIDING FOR THE PROPOSED SALE OF SAID CERTIFICATES TO THE PURCHASER THEREOF
7. ORDINANCE NO. 2122 G
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN SMG SECURITY HOLDINGS, LLC AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO MONITOR AND MANAGE THE FIRE AND BURGLAR ALARM MONITORING NETWORK OF THE VILLAGE
8. ORDINANCE NO. 2122 G
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS APPROVING A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE DONATION AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG SILVER CREEK
9. ORDINANCE NO. 2122 G
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES BY AND BETWEEN T-CAT ENTERPRISE, INCORPORATED AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
10. ORDINANCE NO. 2122 G
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AND THE ILLINOIS FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LABOR COUNCIL, FRANKLIN PARK LODGE NUMBER 47
11. MOTION TO APPROVE A LEASE AND FINANCE AGREEMENT FOR COPIER EQUIPMENT WITH CHOICE OFFICE EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, INCORPORATED AND LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING, LLC AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO EFFECTUATE SAME

Motion made by Mr. Ybarra and seconded by Ms. Avitia to approve the Consent Agenda, Items 1 through 11 with Item No. 2, "Approval of Voucher Expenditures List in the Amount of \$1,420,198.06" moved to New Business

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

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$ 1,420,198.06

Mr. Johnson stated he had an invoice on the voucher list for \$515.00 and therefore could not vote for the Voucher List on the Consent Agenda. (By law he is allowed by law to invoice \$4,000 per year)

Motion made by Mr. Hagerstrom, seconded by Ms. Special to approve the Voucher List in the amount of \$1,420,198.06

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

X. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK:

1. NONE

XI. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT:

1. NONE

XII. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. NONE

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

*Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Special to adjourn at 7:29 p.m.
Voice vote carried*

ATTEST

April J. Arellano, Village Clerk

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