

**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  
DECEMBER 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 7:00 p.m.**

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

Village Clerk Tommy Thomson called the roll:

Present: Trustees Mr. Brimie, Mr. Johnson, Ms. McLean, Ms. Rodriguez, Mr. Petersen, 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), Ron Heller (Comptroller), Frank Grieashamer (Treasurer), Andy Smolen (Deputy Utilities Commissioner), Steve Scheffel (Village Engineer), Chief Steve Iovinelli (Fire Department), Chief Mike Witz and Deputy Chief Phil Ruch (Police Department)

President Pedersen called for a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the recent Connecticut school shooting

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. None

**V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

1. **MR. JOHNSON STATED RON HELLER WILL BE DISCUSSING ITEM #6 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA DURING STAFF REPORTS**

**B. WATER AND SEWER/FLEET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE (Mr. Ruhl, Chair)**

1. **MR. RUHL STATED IT WAS A QUIET WEEK**

2. **MR. RUHL THANKED THE WATER AND STREET DEPARTMENTS FOR THE FANTASTIC WORK THEY DID IN REPAIRING THE WATER MAIN BREAK UNDER THE CREEK**

- C. POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE (Mr. Petersen, Chair)**
- 1. MR. PETERSEN STATED CHIEF IOVINELLI WILL BE SHOWING THE ZOLL HEART MONITORS LATER TO THE BOARD**
  - 2. MR. PETERSEN REPORTED CHIEF WITZ (AFTER THE COLUMBINE SHOOTING) ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES WITH THE SCHOOLS TO FOLLOW IN CASE OF A SIMILAR SCENARIO PLAYING OUT**
- D. STREET AND ALLEY COMMITTEE (Mr. Brimie, Chair)**
- 1. MR. BRIMIE STATED THE SNOW PARKING RESTRICTIONS ARE NOW IN EFFECT**
  - 2. MR. BRIMIE REMINDED EVERYONE TO SHOP LOCALLY**
  - 3. MR. BRIMIE THANKED THE LEYDEN COMMUNITY FOR ALL OF THEIR DONATIONS FOR THE “UNITY IN COMMUNITY” FUNDRAISER. A VAN WITH A WHEELCHAIR LIFT WAS ABLE TO BE PURCHASED AND DONATED TO THE RAMIREZ FAMILY. MR. BRIMIE STATED HE RECEIVED \$20,000 FROM A LEYDEN ALUMNI WHO WANTS TO FUND A NORM GOODMAN SCHOLARSHIP**
  - 4. MR. BRIMIE REPORTED ALL OF THE LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES NEED DONATIONS**
  - 5. MR. BRIMIE READ QUOTES FROM GEORGE HARRISON AND JOHN LENNON FOR HIS RESPONSE TO THE CONNECTICUT SCHOOL SHOOTINGS**
- E. PROPERTY, PLANNING, ZONING, AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE (Ms. Rodriguez, Chair)**
- 1. MS. RODRIGUEZ THANKED THE PEOPLE WHO MADE DONATIONS FOR THE “UNITY IN COMMUNITY” FUNDRAISER**
- F. HEALTH, HUMAN RESOURCES, GREEN TECHNOLOGY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE (Ms. McLean, Chair)**
- 1. MS. MCLEAN REPORTED 25 UNITS OF BLOOD WERE COLLECTED AT THE LAST BLOOD DRIVE**
  - 2. MS. MCLEAN STATED THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES GOT TOGETHER AT THE END OF NOVEMBER FOR THEIR ANNUAL MEETING. THEY RECOGNIZED 118 COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES ON THE “LET’S MOVE” INITIATIVE. FRANKLIN PARK WAS ONE OF THOSE COMMUNITIES GIVEN AN AWARD. JANUARY 15 IS THE NEXT “LET’S MOVE” MEETING**

- VI. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS; DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS**
- 1. Steve Scheffel spoke about item #8 on the Consent Agenda regarding the approval of Berger Excavating Contractors, Incorporated for the 2013 Elm Street Water Main Improvement Project. Mr. Scheffel reported the Franklin Avenue resurfacing project is moving forward. Mr. Scheffel announced the second planning meeting for the 2013 street program will be held this week. They will be refining the list of streets they have for the program**

2. **Ron Heller spoke about item #6 on the Consent Agenda regarding the annual tax levy ordinance. The levy has been the same amount for the past three years but this year we are asking for an increase of 75¢**
3. **Chief Iovinelli presented to the board the new Zoll monitors the Village purchased to replace the old monitors. Chief Iovinelli reported one of the new fire engines will be picked up in ten days and the other one will be ready for pick up at the beginning of the new year**
4. **Chief Witz spoke about assigning police officers to the local schools after the tragedy at the school in Connecticut. Chief Witz spoke about the police training regarding these types of emergencies. Chief Witz has been invited to attend a District 84 board meeting this Wednesday to discuss their plans for school safety. Chief Witz spoke about the high school's safety plans they have in place. Chief Witz reported on a vehicle hijacking/kidnapping that happened this past weekend and on an aggravated DUI which resulted in the suspect being taken into custody. He also reported on a foot chase where the suspect dropped his weapon but was able to get away. They are still looking for the suspect. Chief Witz reported the new police station is coming along well**
5. **Village Clerk Tommy Thomson spoke about item #7 on the Consent Agenda regarding the FOIA computer software tracking program**

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Restaurant Liquor License Presentation**

**Gary Luft and Charity Johns gave a presentation introducing their Stella's Café concept. They have recently signed a temporary lease at the Rio Valley Produce Center and are requesting a liquor license. Their lease is contingent upon a liquor license**

**Joe Montana spoke about item #3 on the Consent Agenda regarding amending definition of private scavenger**

## **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, DECEMBER 3, 2012**

### **2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,266,605.41**

3. **ORDINANCE NO. 1213 VC**  
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER TWO OF TITLE FOUR OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS (AMENDING DEFINITION OF PRIVATE SCAVENGER)**
  
4. **ORDINANCE NO. 1213 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 3504 RUBY STREET)**
  
5. **ORDINANCE NO. 1213 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 2541 MAPLE STREET)**
  
6. **ORDINANCE NO. 1213 G**  
**THE ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2012 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2013**
  
7. **ORDINANCE NO. 1213 G**  
**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SERVICE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN WEBQA INCORPORATED AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS (FOIA COMPUTER SOFTWARE TRACKING PROGRAM)**
  
8. **MOTION TO APPROVE BERGER EXCAVATING CONTRACTORS, INCORPORATED, 1205 GARLAND ROAD, WAUCONDA, ILLINOIS 60084, AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE BIDDER FOR THE 2013 ELM STREET WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$853,837.50, IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND PURSUANT TO THE ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE VILLAGE'S ENGINEERING FIRM, BAXTER & WOODMAN, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

Motion made by Ms. McLean, seconded by Ms. Rodriguez to Approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call: Ayes –Mr. Ruhl, Mr. Brimie, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Petersen, Ms. Rodriguez, and Ms. McLean.  
 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)

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. None

**X. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)**

**1. Discussion on Use of Special Counsel**

**President Pedersen spoke about his upcoming meeting with an attorney to discuss this attorney's experience with a certain resident in our town who files a lot of lawsuits. This person has cost the Village \$65,000 so far in defending one lawsuit. This lawsuit ended up being dismissed by the court**

**XI. APPOINTMENTS/SWEARING IN**

**1. None**

**XII. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK**

**1. Village Clerk Tommy Thomson thanked the Park District for the use of the Maple Room for Village board meetings and then announced the next meeting will be held at the Village Municipal Building in the north conference room**

**XIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

**1. None**

**XIV. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion made by Ms. McLean, seconded by Mr. Petersen to recess to Closed Session for matters of Salary Schedules for One or More Classes of Employees; and Collective Bargaining Negotiations Matters at 7:45 p.m.**

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

**RETURNED FROM CLOSED SESSION AT 8:23 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 Mr. Petersen to adjourn at 8:24 p.m.**

**Voice vote carried**

**ATTEST**

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**Tommy Thomson, Village Clerk**

**Notice of Meeting Duly Posted as per Illinois Open Meeting Act**