

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK HELD IN THE  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROOM AT 9545 W. BELMONT AVENUE  
MARCH 16, 2009**

- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- II. CALL TO ORDER:** President Pritchett called to order the Board of Trustees of the Village of Franklin Park in regular session at 7:00 p.m.
- III. ROLL CALL:** Village Clerk Susan Szymanski called the roll:  
**Present:** Trustees Mr. Bellendir, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Georgetta, and Mr. Acevedo.  
**Absent:** Ms. McLean. The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present.  
**Legal Representation Present:** Don Storino, Village Attorney  
**Consultants Present:** Steve Dalton (Clark Dietz, Inc.), John Mick (Baxter & Woodman, Inc.)  
**Staff Members Present:** Lisa Anthony (Health and Human Resources Director), Jeff Eder (Community Development Director), Dave Hough (Comptroller), Mike Servini (Street Department), Paul Sharp (Inspectional Services Director), Joe Thomas (Utilities Director), Joe Lauro (Water Department), Dennis Wagner (I.T. Director), Chief Dave Traiforos (Fire Department), Chief Tom Wolfe and Deputy Chief Jack Krecker (Police Department)
- IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- A. FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE (Mr. Fisher, Chair)**
1. **MR. FISHER STATED HE AND MR. HOUGH ARE WORKING ON THE BUDGET**
- B. WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE (Mr. Johnson, Chair)**
1. **MR. JOHNSON STATED THE LARGE WATER TANK IS BEING WELDED IN PREPARATION FOR PAINTING AND THE FUELING STATION IS UNDERWAY**
- C. POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE (Mr. Georgetta, Chair)**
1. **NOTHING TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD**
- D. STREET AND ALLEY COMMITTEE (Mr. Bellendir, Chair)**
1. **NOTHING TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD**
- E. PROPERTY, ZONING AND PLANNING COMMITTEE (Mr. Acevedo, Chair)**
1. **MR. ACEVEDO STATED HE HAD NOTHING TO REPORT BUT MR. EDER WILL DISCUSS THE PUD THAT WAS APPROVED**

- F. HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCE COMMITTEE (Ms. McLean, Chair)**
- 1. MR. GEORGETTA CO-CHAIR, REMINDED EVERYONE THE BLOOD DRIVE IS THIS FRIDAY FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

- G. SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE (Mr. Georgetta, Chair)**
- 1. MR. GEORGETTA STATED HE WILL BE HAVING ANOTHER STAFF MEETING IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS REGARDING “RAILROAD DAZE” HELD ON MAY 15. MR. GEORGETTA STATED THEY PICKED UP FOUR TO FIVE MORE VOLUNTEERS FROM STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN “STUDENT GOVERNMENT DAY”**

**V. 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. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2009**
- 2. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$959,166.12**
- 3. RESOLUTION NO. 0809 R  
A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE GUIDELINES FOR THE 2009 GRASS CUTTING PROGRAM OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK**
- 4. RESOLUTION NO. 0809 R  
A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LICENSE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CENTERPOINT PROPERTIES TRUST AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**
- 5. ORDINANCE NO. 0809 VC  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES”, OF TITLE 3, ENTITLED “BUSINESS AND LICENSE REGULATIONS”, OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**
- 6. MOTION TO APPROVE GIRL SCOUTS OF GREATER CHICAGO AND NW INDIANA REQUEST TO EXTEND COOKIE SALES THROUGH APRIL 30, 2009**
- 7. MOTION TO APPROVE FAMILY OUTREACH PROGRAM REQUEST FOR FUNDRAISER COLLECTION AT GRAND AVENUE AND MANNHEIM ROAD ON FRIDAY, APRIL 17 AND SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2009**

**Motion made by Mr. Bellendir, seconded by Mr. Georgetta to pass the Consent Agenda Items 1 through 7  
Roll Call: Ayes – Mr. Bellendir, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Georgetta, and Mr. Acevedo.  
Nay – 0. Absent – Ms. McLean. Abstain – 0.**

*Mr. Fisher had a question on CenterPoint regarding their contract expiring on May 9, 2009, if this was an error or are we going to do another contract? Mr. Storino stated it is a typing error that should read 2010. Amend on face*

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

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**VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM THE STAFF**

- 1. Mr. Eder stated there was a Zoning Board meeting last Wednesday and the PUD was approved after three hearings. This included the rezoning of the Crown Road parcels at Grand Avenue and Mannheim Road, adding the plans approving the CVS Pharmacy, Chase Bank and Sonic Restaurant. Mr. Eder stated this is a preliminary approval. The final engineering plans, MWRD and IDOT permits need to be issued and brought to the Zoning board before they grant final approval. Mr. Eder stated the project would probably start this fall with the utility work**
- 2. Chief Wolfe stated he attended a meeting at Villa Alegra along with Trustee Acevedo and Dionne Jones from Norcomm to dispel some of the misperceptions they had on how calls are processed and handled. Pastor Negron and another chaplain were also present. The meeting clarified the fact that Catalina Alvarado and her husband Alfredo are more the spokespersons for residents who cannot speak English. These residents are hesitant to call dispatch to report crimes due to communication and also worry about retribution, so they typically call the Alvarado's who will then relay the information to dispatch. The perception with dispatch was that the Alvarado's are constant complainers. Chief Wolfe is trying to dispel that idea and has sent a letter out to the supervisors to explain why that perception exists and to eliminate it. Chief Wolfe said they received additional information on some other problems in that community and today they relocated one of the security cameras which should help resolve some issues in the future. Mr. Acevedo stated Chief Wolfe gave them direction in what to do if they called and needed immediate attention. Mr. Acevedo stated he thought it was a very productive meeting**

**IX. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK**

- 1. Ms. Szymanski announced Monday was the first day for early voting and the closest locations are the Village Halls in Melrose Park and Elmwood Park. The hours for voting are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday**

**X. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- 1. None**

**XI. COMMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

1. Mr. Pritchett stated an ordinance was passed tonight that the board worked out with CenterPoint Properties that would place another one of our sandbag containers near the Lee Street and Belmont Avenue area. Mr. Pritchett mentioned River Grove has contacted the Village and inquired if our Village could supply them with trailers and get them positioned. They would pay the Village for this service
2. Mr. Pritchett stated he had recently visited Washington, D.C. and participated in very productive meetings. He visited Senator Durbin's office which was quite busy and Senator Byrd's office, who is the longest serving senator in United States history. Mr. Pritchett also visited Roland Burris' office and the State of Illinois office and talked with the staff. The staff mentioned that Governor Quinn had visited them twice in the last month compared to the previous governor Blagojevich who hadn't visited in three years. The staff felt like their office wasn't being utilized because of this. Mr. Pritchett stated his reason for being there this year was to visit the HUD office to deal with the Senior Towers issue for designation "senior only." Mr. Pritchett stated Cook County Housing completed the third application regarding this matter and Rahm Emanuel's office made numerous calls on our behalf and were able to get all of the statistical information entered into the report and transfer to the Fair Housing division of HUD
3. Mr. Pritchett stated on March 12, at West Leyden High School, the "Wall of Fame" was unveiled
4. Mr. Pritchett spoke again regarding his Washington D.C. trip and how he learned more about the stimulus package. There will be another meeting here on March 20 regarding the stimulus package and it appears there will be a lot of money out there to help with many projects. Our Village projects are going to be reviewed quickly to see if there is any stimulus money that can be provided for them
5. Mr. Pritchett stated there will be a staff meeting tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m.
6. Mr. Pritchett stated tomorrow he is holding a liquor hearing at 10:00 a.m. regarding a future business in Franklin Park and if anyone is interested in knowing about it they can contact the Mayor

**XII. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Acevedo, seconded by Mr. Johnson to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.  
Voice vote carried

**ATTEST**

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Susan K Szymanski, Village Clerk

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