

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 JUNE 1, 2009

- 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:** Village Clerk Tommy Thomson called the roll:
Present: Trustees Ms. McLean, Ms. Rodriguez, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Bellendir, Mr. Brimie, and Mr. Acevedo. The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present.
Legal Representation Present: Burt Odelson, Village Attorney
Consultants Present: John Mick (Baxter & Woodman, Inc.)
Staff Members Present: Lisa Anthony (Health and Human Resources Director), Jeff Eder (Community Development Director), Dave Hough (Comptroller), Eugene Piltaver (Treasurer), Mike Servini (Street Department), Joe Thomas (Utilities Director), Joe Lauro (Water Department), Chief Dave Traiforos (Fire Department), Deputy Chief Mike Witz (Police Department)
- IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- A. FINANCE AND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE (Mr. Johnson, Chair)**
- 1. MR. JOHNSON STATED HE MET WITH MR. HOUGH TO BEGIN WORKING ON THE 2010 BUDGET**
 - 2. MR. JOHNSON ANNOUNCED A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY AND MR. JOHNSON REQUESTED THE CLERK TO INCLUDE FINANCE FOR THE BUDGET ON THAT AGENDA**
- B. WATER AND SEWER/FLEET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE (Ms. Rodriguez, Chair)**
- 1. MS. RODRIGUEZ REMARKED ON THE WATER TANK PAINTING PROGRESS WHICH INCLUDED SAND BLASTING THE LENGTH AND BOTTOM OF THE WATER TANK AND COMPLETION SHOULD BE IN ABOUT FOUR WEEKS**

2. **MS. RODRIGUEZ STATED THE FUEL DEPOT IS CURRENTLY AT A STAND STILL AWAITING THE PRE-FAB BUILDING FOR THE CONTROLS. THE PRE-FAB BUILDING WAS ORDERED SIX WEEKS AGO AND SHOULD ARRIVE IN A FEW WEEKS. MS. RODRIGUEZ STATED THE VILLAGE SHOULD BE SEEKING PROPOSALS FOR FUEL IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS**

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

1. **MR. JOHNSON STATED THE POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE WILL BE SCHEDULING A SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING REGARDING A POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTION IN THEIR RANKS**

D. STREET AND ALLEY COMMITTEE (Mr. Brimie, Chair)

1. **MR. BRIMIE STATED THE VILLAGE WAS WORKING WITH COOK COUNTY ON FULLERTON AVENUE FROM MAPLE STREET TO THE INDIANA HARBOR BELT (IHB) RAILROAD. ONLY A FEW MINOR THINGS WERE ADDED TO THE PUNCH LIST TO BE REPAIRED BEFORE THE VILLAGE ASSUMES OWNERSHIP, A 30-INCH STORM SEWER DOWN FULLERTON TO THE DES PLAINES RIVER WAS A BIG PART OF THE IMPROVEMENT**
2. **MR. BRIMIE STATED HE MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE VILLAGE OF RIVER GROVE LAST WEEK REGARDING ELM STREET FROM GRAND AVENUE TO BELMONT AVENUE FOR THE EMERGENCY REPAIR PROGRAM. THE COST WOULD BE A 20% MATCH WHICH WOULD BE DIVIDED BETWEEN THE TWO VILLAGES**
3. **MR. BRIMIE STATED THE VILLAGE IS SEEKING PROPOSALS FOR A NEW ROLLER FOR STREET REPAIRS**

PRESIDENT PEDERSEN STATED HE RECEIVED A REPORT FROM THE VILLAGE'S STATE LOBBYIST ADDING AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$950,000 FOR STREET PROJECTS

E. PROPERTY, PLANNING, ZONING, AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE (Mr. Acevedo, Chair)

1. **MR. ACEVEDO STATED MR. EDER WOULD ELABORATE ON INSPECTIONAL SERVICES SATURDAY INSPECTIONS AND GRANT MONEY FROM FEMA FOR ACQUIRING SOME PROPERTY**
2. **MR. ACEVEDO STATED HE WOULD LIKE TO SCHEDULE A COMMITTEE MEETING SOME TIME AFTER MR. EDER MEETS WITH THE STATE ON JUNE 10. SOME BUSINESSES ARE GOING TO BE AFFECTED BY THE WESTERN BYPASS; THEREFORE, MR. ACEVEDO REQUESTED TO OBTAIN THE FEEDBACK FROM MR. EDER WHEN HE HAS HIS MEETING IN JUNE**

F. HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCE COMMITTEE (Ms. McLean, Chair)

- 1. MS. MCLEAN REMINDED EVERYONE ABOUT THE UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER ON JUNE 19, FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. MS. MCLEAN STATED THOSE WHO DONATE BLOOD WILL AUTOMATICALLY HAVE THEIR CHOLESTEROL SCREENED AND ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS CALL A CERTAIN NUMBER TO OBTAIN YOUR CHOLESTEROL COUNT RESULTS**

G. GREEN TECHNOLOGY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE (Mr. Bellendir, Chair)

- 1. MR. BELLENDIR STATED LAST MONDAY THE COMMITTEE HELD THEIR FIRST MEETING AND THEY DISCUSSED GRANTS, TREES, GROUND COVER AND UPGRADING THE RECYCLING PROGRAM**
- 2. MR. BELLENDIR STATED MS. ANTHONY IS LOOKING INTO NEW RECYCLING BINS THAT WOULD BE BIGGER WITH ROLLERS ON THE BOTTOM**

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, MAY 18, 2009**
- 2. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$845,216.59**
- 3. RESOLUTION NO. 0910 R
A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS REGARDING THE NEED FOR CONFIDENTIALITY OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**
- 4. RESOLUTION NO. 0910 R
A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONSULTING AND SERVICES AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN D & B CONSULTING AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**
- 5. RESOLUTION NO. 0910 R
A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AUTHORIZING CLARK DIETZ TO PREPARE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS**
- 6. MOTION TO APPROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR “FILL THE BOOT” COLLECTION TO BENEFIT MDA (MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION) ON FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2009**

7. MOTION TO APPROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR ILLINOIS FIRE SAFETY ALLIANCE “BURN CAMP” COLLECTION ON MONDAY, JUNE 8 AND TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2009

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

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. NONE

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. NONE

VIII. APPOINTMENTS

1. Village Treasurer

Mr. Pedersen requested Frank Grieshamer to be appointed Village Treasurer

Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Brimie to appoint Frank Grieshamer as Village Treasurer

Roll Call: Ayes –Ms. McLean, Ms. Rodriguez, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Bellendir, Mr. Brimie, Mr. Acevedo. Nays – 0. Abstain – 0. Absent – 0.

Mr. Pedersen recognized previous Village Treasurer, Gene Piltaver, for all his work on the Veteran’s Memorial

IX. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM THE STAFF

- 1. Mr. Eder stated Inspectional Services started morning inspections last Saturday because it is sometimes hard for the homeowner to be home during the week for an inspection. The department is also performing code enforcement on Saturdays and recently caught someone putting down concrete in a flood zone without a permit**
- 2. Mr. Eder stated he has been working with staff from Clark Dietz on a FEMA grant to purchase some of the homes at Lee Street and Belmont Avenue. Mr. Eder stated this is on a volunteer basis only, and it is up to the homeowner as to whether or not they would like to participate. Mr. Eder stated the grant applications are due this Friday**
- 3. Mr. Eder stated the 2010 census is just around the corner and he has been working with a census bureau worker and they would like to put together a committee to help assist in the taking of the census**

Village Clerk Tommy Thomson officiated in the swearing in of Frank Grieshamer as Village Treasurer

- 4. Mr. Piltaver stated he would like to meet with Mr. Grieshamer to explain his duties. These duties include working with the Fire Department, Police Department and: by state statute, the Village Treasurer is now the Treasurer of the Police Pension Fund and Fire Pension Fund**
- 5. Mr. Piltaver stated he will still handle Gazebo Nights and the Veterans’ Day programs this year. Mr. Piltaver stated it has been an honor to serve the Village of Franklin Park for 10 years and he will be terminating his service after the Veterans’ Day ceremony in November**

6. Mr. Hough stated this past Friday the Village received the last reimbursement for the fall floods in the amount of \$30,203.91. The total amount received to date is \$156,918.70. Mr. Hough stated the last thing he needs to do to finish the project is get together with the Village engineer and submit a final report to the Illinois Emergency Management Authority. President Pedersen stated there will be an additional \$5 billion that will be shared among the different municipalities
7. Ms. Anthony stated starting next Wednesday, June 10, the Village Hall is going to be open until 7:30 p.m. The Clerk's Office, Administration and Inspectional Services will be available to accommodate the residents that have a difficult time coming during the day. Ms. Anthony stated this information will be put on the water bills to inform the residents
8. Mr. Odelson stated he will be volunteering to help on the committee for the 2010 Census because he has a lot of experience dealing with the Census Bureau through his municipal work

X. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK

1. Mr. Thomson announced starting June 1, passports are needed when traveling across the border by land and traveling across the border with just a birth certificate is no longer acceptable. Mr. Thomson stated this past Saturday the Clerk's Office was very busy processing passports
2. Mr. Thomson stated he attended the 2010 Census kick-off at Brookfield Zoo and learned the more people that get counted in the census, the more funds we can bring into the Village
3. Mr. Thomson stated he received a call from the Cook County Housing Authority regarding the Senior Towers applications and they are now available in the Clerk's Office and the municipalities in Leyden Township. There is currently 19 openings at the Senior Towers but there is a waiting list of 1,000 people and the CHA would like to see local people be given the opportunity first
4. Mr. Thomson announced a Committee of the Whole meeting on Monday, June 8, at 7:00 p.m.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Mr. Mike Stanfa, 10334 Addison Street – Pedestrian crossing at Lincoln Street and Addison Street and multiple families living in single-family homes
2. Mr. Monarrez, 3544 Lincoln Street – Neighbor complaints
3. Ms. Joann Sanger, 3550 Lincoln Street – Neighbor complaints and overcrowding
4. Mr. Gregory Heath, 2215 Mannheim Road – Congratulated Mayor Pedersen and thanked previous Mayor Pritchett for 13 years of service well done. Mr. Heath voiced concerns about Franklin Avenue west of Mannheim Road
5. Mr. Frank Grieshamer, 2840 Washington Street – Thanked Eugene Piltaver for his offer of help and years of service to the Village and announced the upcoming food drive on July 18, for the food pantry
6. Mr. David Granger, 3137 Hawthorne – Yard waste containment
7. Ms. Lucy Geitz, 3302 Sarah – Requested July 10-11 "Village-Wide Garage Sale" to be publicized
8. Mr. Steve Iovinelli, 3007 Maple Street – Thanked Mr. Piltaver for being the Fire Pension Treasurer

XII. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

- 1. Mr. Pedersen stated he met with Senator Dick Durbin and six other mayors last Wednesday. Mr. Pedersen discussed importance of having projects that are shovel-ready to receive funds from the Federal Government. One of the topics discussed was Green Technology funds. Mr. Pedersen stated he met with Congressman Mike Quigley in Franklin Park and Congressman Quigley was pleased to report that it is probable that two of three projects that were submitted by Franklin Park for Federal funds**
- 2. Mr. Pedersen stated he spoke with our state representative, state senator and lobbyist Al Ronan in regards to the railroad finding an alternative to the switches being installed and this will avoid Scott Street crossing from closing**
- 3. Mr. Pedersen stated he spoke with Mr. Ronan who notified the Village of the availability of Emergency Repair Funds. To help obtain funds, a letter needed to be sent to Senator Harmon and Representative Saviano. As a result, the Village received two additional funds in the amounts of \$300,000 and \$950,000**
- 4. Mr. Pedersen stated he spoke with Greg Ignoffo, President of Leyden High School, and the school board had offered the Police and Fire Departments use of the Thompson Wire Building for training. The Leyden High School board is purchasing Thompson Wire to provide additional facilities at East Leyden. The Fire and Police Departments got together to plan for any emergencies that may happen during the Railroad Daze event. Both departments reported that this is the first time they worked together on something like this. Mr. Pedersen thanked Chief Traiforos and Chief Patti for working together**

XIII. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1. None**

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion made by Ms. McLean, seconded by Mr. Acevedo to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.
Voice vote carried**

ATTEST

Tommy Thomson, Village Clerk

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