

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
DECEMBER 05, 2022**

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 April J Arellano called the roll:

Present at Board Meeting: Barrett F. Pedersen (Village President), April J Arellano (Village Clerk), Joseph Montana (Village Attorney),

Trustees (Present in the Room): Ms. Special, Mr. Ruhl, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ybarra, and Ms. Avitia

**Trustees (Participating Via Tele-Conference)
Mr. Hagerstrom**

Department Heads:

Lisa Anthony (Health and Human Resources Director), Mark Stewart (Fire Chief), Dan Corcoran (IT Director), David Gonzalez (Village Comptroller), Frank Grieshamer (Village Treasurer), Lisa Manzo (Deputy Building Director), Nick Weber (Water Department Supervisor), and Mike Witz, (Director of Police), Thomas McCabe (Village Engineer), Nick Walny (Village Planner) and Rudy Repa (Village Planner) and Robert Jensen (Commander of Investigations)

The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present

Motion made by Mr. Ybarra and seconded by Ms. Special to authorize Mr. Hagerstrom's participation via teleconference due to Covid precautions

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

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

1. NONE

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

- 1. MR. JOHNSON STATED THE VILLAGE COMPTROLLER WILL BRIEFLY GO OVER THE 2022 TAX LEVY**
- 2. MR. JOHNSON STATED ITEM 10 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA IS THE RENEWAL OF LIABILITY AND WORKER'S COMP. INSURANCE WITH ICRMT. THERE IS APPROXIMATELY A 7.4% INCREASE OVER LAST YEAR WHICH IS MAINLY DUE TO AN INCREASE IN THE VALUE OF OUR PROPERTIES**
- 3. MR. JOHNSON STATED WINTERFEST HAD A GREAT TURNOUT AND THANKED EVERYONE WHO ATTENDED AND THOSE WHO HELPED TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS. THE VIDEO IS LIVE ON FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE**

B. WATER AND SEWER/FLEET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE (Ms. Avitia, Chair)

- 1. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THE MAIN PUMPING STATION GENERATOR IS STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION ON WHAT CAUSED THE NEW SPEED CONTROLLER TO FAIL AFTER THE TEST RUN. UNTIL THE UNIT IS FIXED OR REPLACED, A RENTAL UNIT IS IN PLACE**
- 2. MS. AVITIA REPORTED 4 WATER MAIN BREAKS, 2 WATER HYDRANTS NEEDED TO GET REBUILT AFTER BEING STRUCK BY A VEHICLE, AND VICTOR SERVICES IS WORKING FOR NICOR TO TELEVISIONING SEWERS AFTER NICOR PUT NEW GAS LINES IN**
- 3. MS. AVITIA REPORTED 3 STREET DRAINS WERE INSPECTED, 3 DRAINS NEED CLEANING, 2 DRAINS REBUILT, AND SEWER BAD SPOTS WERE INSPECTED ONCE WITH NO ISSUES, AND LASTLY, THERE WAS A MANHOLE EMERGENCY REPAIR**
- 4. MS. AVITIA REPORTED ANDERSON LIFT STATION POWER LOSS AND TAFT LIFT STATION PUMP 1 WAS REBUILT**
- 5. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THE CREEK HAS BEEN INSPECTED ONCE ON NOVEMBER 29TH**

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

- 1. MR. RUHL STATED THAT HE DID NOT HAVE A REPORT FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.**
- 2. MR. RUHL REPORTED STATISTICS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, IN NOVEMBER THERE WERE 310 FIRE AND EMS RESPONSES AND AVERAGE OF 11.20 CALLS PER DAY AVERAGE FOR 2022**

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

- 1. MR. YBARRA REPORTED 68 TONS OF HOT MIX ASPHALT WERE USED, PRIMARLY IN THE ALLEY OF THE 9800 BLOCK OF FRANKLIN AVENUE FROM A SEWER REPAIR**
- 2. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THE CREW FINISHED INSTALLING CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS THE LAST 2 WEEKS FOR THE TREE LIGHTING**

3. **MR. YBARRA REPORTED THAT THE LAST BRANCH PICK UP WAS COMPLETED FOR THE SEASON**
4. **MR. YBARRA REPORTED HALF TON OF COLD MIX ASPHALT TO REPAIR VARIOUS POTHOLES AROUND TOWN**

E. PROPERTY, PLANNING, ZONING, AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

(Ms. Special, Chair)

1. **MS. SPECIAL REPORTED 16 CONTRACTORS APPLIED FOR LICENSES, 25 BUILDING PERMITS, 5 ELECTRICAL PERMITS, 3 SIGN PERMITS, 0 DUMPSTER PERMIT, AND 4 FIRE PERMITS WERE APPLIED FOR A TOTAL OF 37 PERMITS. SHE ANNOUNCED 10 PROPERTY CLOSINGS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL, 1 NEW BUSINESS APPLIED FOR OCCUPANCY AND 0 NEW BUSINESSES WERE ISSUED OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATES**
2. **MS. SPECIAL REPORTED PLANNING COMMISSION MET ON NOVEMBER 16, 2022, VILLAGE STAFF PRESENTED AN OVERVIEW OF IMPROVEMENTS ON AND AROUND DOWNTOWN FRANKLIN PARK. PROJECTS INCLUDE THE PACIFIC AVENUE GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS, THE DOWNTOWN PEDESTRIAN BUMPOUTS, THE A&E PREMIER LUXURY APARTMENTS, NEW RESTAURANTS: GARDEN OF EAT'N AND SKY CAFÉ. STAFF ALSO PRESENTED ON THE NEW PARKING LOT AT 3019 ROSE STREET FOR DOWNTOWN PATRONS AND FRANKLIN PARK TOWER RESIDENTS.**
3. **MS. SPECIAL REPORTED MAYOR PEDERSEN, CLERK, TRUSTEES AND VILLAGE STAFF ATTENDED A RIBBON CUTTING FOR GARDEN OF EAT'N IN DOWNTOWN FRANKLIN PARK**

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

1. **IN LIEU OF MR. HAGERSTROM'S PRESENC, MS. AVITIA ANNOUNCED THE FINAL BLOOD DRIVE HAD 13 PARTICIPANTS AND THANKED THE SENIOR COMMISSION FOR HELPING OUT**
2. **MS. AVITIA ANNOUNCED THE VILLAGE IS LOOKING FOR THE BEST DECORATED HOME IN FRANKLIN PARK. PLEASE SEND THE VILLAGE AN EMAIL TO VILLAGENEWS@VOFP.COM WITH YOUR FAMILY'S NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER AND PHOTOS. ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 18**

VI. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS; DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS
Village Comptroller David Gonzalez went over the 2022 Tax Levy ordinance

VII. 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) THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2022
2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$2,033,504.38
3. RESOLUTION NO. 2223 R
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AND REQUIRING THE SUBMISSION OF AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AT THE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION TO BE HELD ON APRIL 4, 2023, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK SHALL REDUCE THE VEHICLE LICENSE FEE PAID FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE OWNED AND REGISTERED BY A VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES
4. RESOLUTION NO. 2223 R
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AND REQUIRING THE SUBMISSION OF AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AT THE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION TO BE HELD ON APRIL 4, 2023, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK SHALL REDUCE THE VEHICLE LICENSE FEE PAID FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE OWNED AND REGISTERED BY AN ACTIVE-DUTY SERVICE MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES
5. RESOLUTION NO. 2223 R
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AND REQUIRING THE SUBMISSION OF AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AT THE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION TO BE HELD ON APRIL 4, 2023, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK SHALL REDUCE THE VEHICLE LICENSE FEE PAID FOR AN ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLE OWNED AND REGISTERED BY A RESIDENT
6. ORDINANCE NO. 2223 G
AN ORDINANCE ABATING THE TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2022 TO PAY DEBT SERVICE ON \$8,880,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE), SERIES 2016A OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
7. ORDINANCE NO. 2223 G
AN ORDINANCE ABATING THE TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2022 TO PAY DEBT SERVICE ON \$3,335,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE), SERIES 2014B OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
8. ORDINANCE NO. 2223 G
THE ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2022 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2023

9. ORDINANCE NO. 2223 VC
 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-2-7 OF CHAPTER TWO OF TITLE THREE OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS B ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSES (2926 MANNHEIM ROAD)
10. MOTION TO RATIFY AND APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF GENERAL, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMPLOYEE LIABILITY, PROPERTY AND CASUALTY, CYBER, AUTOMOBILE AND WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE PREMIUMS WITH ILLINOIS COUNTIES RISK MANAGEMENT TRUST (ICRMT) FOR PUBLIC ENTITIES FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 1, 2022, TO NOVEMBER 30, 2023, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$921,326.00 AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

*Motion made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Ms. Avitia to approve the Consent Agenda Roll
 Call: Ayes - Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Special, Ms. Avitia, Mr. Ruhl, and Mr. Ybarra
 Nay - 0. Absent - 0. Abstain - 0.*

VIII. OLD BUSINESS
NONE

IX. NEW BUSINESS
NONE

X. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK:
 Clerk Arellano briefly went over the Clerk's month report for November, 39 passports were processed, 18 photos taken, 1 voter registration, 42 FOIA requests completed, 2 garage sale registrations, 17 notaries performed and 1 block party approved

XI. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT:
 Mayor Pedersen stated that he attended the administration of office for his cousin and newly elected Cook County Commissioner Maggie Trevor, representing parts of River Grove, Elmwood Park, Rosemont, Norridge, Park Ridge. Mayor Pedersen also stated that he attended a reception for newly elected judges Nick Kantas and Shante Raines-Welch, and was able to have a conversation with Speaker Welch regarding legislative priorities are to make municipalities with a population of 5000 or more home-rule automatically, to increase the amount of funds dedicated to lead pipe service removal and to extend the date of when municipalities need to fully fund pensions from 2040 to 2050

XII. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION
NONE

XIII. ADJOURNMENT
*Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Ruhl to adjourn at 7:19 pm.
 Voice vote carried*

ATTEST _____
April J Arellano, Village Clerk