

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROOM
AT 9500 W. BELMONT AVENUE
OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, ILLINOIS
TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2011

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** President Pedersen called to order the meeting of the Committee of the Whole at 7:05 p.m.
- II. PRESENT:** Deputy Village Clerk Roberta Johnson called the roll: (Present) President Barrett Pedersen, Trustees John Johnson, Cheryl McLean, Rose Rodriguez and Tom Brimie. Absent: Trustees Paul Bellendir and Juan Acevedo. Also present: Jeff Eder (Community Development Director), Lisa Anthony (Health and Human Resource Director), Chief Steve Iovinelli (Fire Department), Chief Mike Witz (Police Department), Jeff Harris (Zoning Administrator), Frank Grieshamer (Treasurer), Cynthia Perez (Deputy Comptroller), Dennis Wagner (I.T. Director)

III. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
GREEN TECHNOLOGY AND EDUCATION

1. Plug-in Vehicle Solutions

Bruce Lanzerotti and Michael Piscitelli from Plug-in Vehicle Solutions conducted a presentation on an electric car charging program to the trustees. They announced that they represent six manufacturers of charging stations and they also discussed how sponsorship may be obtained to pay for the stations.

FINANCE AND SPECIAL EVENTS

1. Liquor License – Al and Joe’s
(Tabled)

2. Budget Review

(a) Police Department – Chief Witz reviewed a proposed budget for the Police Department

(b) Inspectional Services – Jeff Eder reviewed a proposed budget for the Inspectional Services Department

IV. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Chief Steve Iovinelli announced the new ambulance will be inspected and the new air packs will be in tomorrow and should be in service within the next 6 weeks.

Chief Mike Witz stated a pit bull attacked a 10-month old child, sending the child to Loyola Hospital with severe facial trauma. The dog owners were cited for having a vicious dog.

Jeff Eder announced the new HVAC units have been installed in the Municipal building and the Clerk's Office and the Mayor's Office now have their own zones.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Pedersen stated no questions would be answered this evening but if anyone had a question, they could submitted in writing and someone would contact them; however, if anyone had a comment to make, they were welcome to come forward

1. Ken Zurek – Political endorsement. (President Pedersen stated the Public Comments were for Village matters only), he then commented on the Police and Fire Chief positions being by contract and not an appointed

V. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Pedersen commented on a previous comment at another meeting that he had made referencing the term Drunkin Sailor and a resident took offense to the remark as they thought the term was a derogative term about people serving in the Navy. President Pedersen stated his comments were in no way referencing anyone in military services and that it is the title of a song used widely. He displayed a song program used by the Boy Scouts of America Chicago Area Council titled "Owasippe Legends, Ballads & Vignettes" in which the song was included in their list of sea songs.

President Pedersen stated he and the board are developing a budget now as the audits are complete and they are applying the best and most professional and accepted accounting practices to this process that will be a guide to meeting priorities. He stated it was imperative to demonstrate budget discipline and take a conservative approach to spending and all accounts are open for review.

President Pedersen announced eight companies have eight moved into or expanded their business in Franklin Park during March. Those new include Romano Restaurant, Master Food Brokers, Inc., Mega Driving School, Royal Service Realty, Healthwise Healthcare, Everst Home Healthcare and companies expanding are Cortina Tool and Reebie Storage.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Brimie to adjourn at 8:30 p.m.
Voice vote carried.

ATTEST

Tommy Thomson, Village Clerk

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