

# 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, JUNE 18, 2013

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Trustee Johnson called to order the special meeting of the Committee of the Whole at 6:10 p.m.

II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** Village Clerk Tommy Thomson called the roll: (Present) Trustees John Johnson, Randy Petersen, Bill Ruhl, Karen Special, and Andy Ybarra. Absent: Cheryl McLean  
Also present: Ron Heller (Comptroller), Joe Lauro (Utilities Department Director), Chief Mike Witz and Deputy Chief Phil Ruch (Police Department)

III. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. None

IV. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

1. None

V. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. (a) 2013/14 Budget Review Overview

Ron Heller stated that the meeting will cover the Street, Water and Sewer Departments. Mr. Heller discussed how the County changes the way the property taxes are allocated each year and how it affects the Village.

*Chief Mike Witz and Deputy Chief Phil Ruch depart meeting at 7:00 p.m.*

*Trustee McLean enters the meeting at 7:10 p.m.*

Joe Lauro presented the Street budget with Dave Talbott explained some of the items. There was discussion on the purchase of new vehicles for the Street Department. The consensus was to hold off any purchase for at least another year. There was discussion on the "Safe Routes to School" project and on the poor condition of an area of road along Franklin Avenue. There was also discussion about purchasing another salt dome.

Ron Heller had opening comments about the water/sewer budget. Joe Lauro presented the Water budget with Dave Talbott explaining some of the items. There was discussion about the King Street water tanks needing major repair and about water rates. There was also discussion on preventative measures to combat the West Nile Virus and standing water.

Joe Lauro presented the Sewer budget. Ron Heller spoke about revenue sources from sewer.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

1. None

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Ruhl, seconded by Ms. Special to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.  
Voice vote carried.

**ATTEST**

---

**Tommy Thomson, Village Clerk**

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