

VILLAGE OF PARK FOREST

**Village Board Regular Meeting
Monday, February 27, 2017
Village Hall 7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor John Ostenburg, Trustee Mae Brandon, Trustee JeRome Brown, Trustee Tiffani Graham, Trustee Robert McCray, Trustee Georgia O'Neill, and Trustee Theresa Settles

ABSENT: None

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Manager Tom Mick, Fire Chief Bruce Ziegle, Police Chief Pete Green, Village Attorney Felicia Frazier, Deputy Village Manager/Finance Director Mary Dankowski, Director of Economic Development and Planning Hildy Kingma, Director of Building/Community Development Larrie Kerestes, Director of Public Relations Jason Miller, Director of Public Works Roderick Ysagirre, IT Coordinator Craig Kaufman, and Director of Health Department Margaret Lewis

RECORDER: Village Clerk Sheila McGann

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Eric Hampton, Public Relations Coordinator of Rich Township School District 227; Pat Ariel, Faith United Protestant Church

Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 7:19 p.m. by Mayor Ostenburg. Roll was called by Clerk McGann.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Ostenburg led the Board and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Ostenburg asked Manger Mick if there was anything to add before the Public Hearing. Manager Mick explained while preparing the pre-annexation agreement, on the advice of council, a public hearing was recommended. Director Kingma gave some background information regarding south Western area. It is the last area available for potential annexation and future tax base expansion, so providing a water main extension would allow a great opportunity to share the costs with the company. The agreement would extend the water line, with costs being shared by Continental Midland and the Village with a twenty year term of agreement. She explained payment schedules, an opt-out clause, and tax abatement plan.

PUBLIC HEARING: Water Line Extension

Mayor Ostenburg opened the floor to any citizen who would like to address the Board on this issue. He asked three times. There were no citizens who asked any question. Public Hearing on the Water Line Extension was closed at 7:27 p.m..

Reports of Village Officers

Mayor

Mayor Ostenburg appreciated the participation and attendance at the neighborhood meeting last Wednesday with the East Lincolnwood neighborhood. He thanked staff and the Board for their participation in the six-month financial update. On Saturday afternoon, he attended the Commission on Human Relations sponsored the Black History Month presentation, "Stop the Violence" and was on the panel for the discussion that followed. The Liquor Commission had a meeting tonight with two applicants. Their business is a gaming parlor and wine manufacturer with internet distribution. They will come before the Board at a later date. Mayor Ostenburg commented on the new issue of *Discover Magazine* that is filled with good information for our community.

Village Attorney

No report

Village Manager

Manager Mick thanked staff and the Board for their attendance at the Saturday financial update. The Black History Month Program was captivating. The Saturday Morning Rules meeting will be Saturday, March 10 and open to the public. Rain barrels are available for Will County residents, please call Public Works if you are interested. Park Forest Baseball registration will take place March 4, 11, and 16th at Village Hall. March is Park Forest Resident Appreciation Month. Many events are scheduled with a number of prizes. On March 19, there will be a Blue Mass at St. Irenaeus at 10:30 a.m. for Police Officer Tim Jones. Early bird registration is now available at the Aqua Center.

Village Clerk

No report

Reports of Commission Liaisons and Committee Chairpersons

Trustee Settles reported that the Environment Commission will be meeting on March 2 to finalize events scheduled for Earth Week in Park Forest. She thanked the Commission on Human Relations for the wonderful Black History Month performance. She also attended the Park Forest Historical Society's presentation on the Underground Railroad. The Park Forest Library is sponsoring a potpourri of lectures on Thursdays mornings.

Trustee Brandon thanked the East Lincolnwood neighborhood residents who attended and participated in the neighborhood meeting. She also thanked the staff for their thorough preparation for the strategic planning Saturday morning meeting. She, too, enjoyed the Black History program and thanked the panel at the presentation for their presentation. She also found the presentation on the Underground Railroad very informative and interesting.

Trustee Brown also thanked staff for all the work done putting together the financial update. Also, he was honored to be on the panel for the Black History Month Program. A Cancer Society fundraiser is scheduled March 5 at the Rec Center at Michelle Obama School, Coaches vs Parents basketball game.

Citizens Comments, Observations, Petitions

As Public Relations Coordinator of District 227, Eric Hampton introduced himself and informed the Board about some new and some continuing events and programs for parents and students that are taking place in District 227 and Rich East High School.

Motion: Approval of Consent

Mayor Ostenburg called for a motion to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda included the following items:

CONSENT:

- 1. Adopt a Resolution to Appropriate \$121,000 in Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Preliminary/Design Engineering Costs Associated with Improvements for Illinois Street.**
- 2. Adopt a Resolution Approving a Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation for the Improvements to Illinois Street**
- 3. Authorize the Manager to enter into a Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with Baxter and Woodman Consulting Engineers in the amount not to exceed \$121,000 for work associated with improvements to Illinois Street**
- 4. Adopt a Resolution for Local Match Funding and Project Commitment for Invest in Cook Call for Projects**
- 5. Authorize the Manager to contract with Jeff Ellis Management to manage the Park Forest Aqua Center, for a three (3) year period at an annual cost of \$186,006.**
- 6. Authorize the Manager purchase a replacement Fire Safety Education Trailer from Mobile Concepts of Mt Pleasant PA at a cost of \$106,766; the price will be broken out between a Federal grant in the amount of \$101,000 and the Local Match of \$5,655.**

Approval of the consent agenda was moved by Trustee Brandon and seconded by Trustee O'Neill. Mayor Ostenburg asked if anyone wished any items be removed from the consent agenda for further discussion. On the motion to approve the consent agenda, a roll call vote was called by Mayor Ostenburg. The consent agenda was approved with the following results:

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

The consent agenda was adopted with seven (7) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) absent.

DEBATABLE:

7. An Ordinance Granting a Conditional Use for a Day Care Center in the R-1, Single Family Residential Zoning District at 160 Westwood Drive (Destined to Win Christian Center) (Final Reading)

This item has had first reading, discussion at rules committee meeting, and now on agenda for action on final reading. .Move for adoption of the ordinance was motioned by Trustee Brandon and seconded by Trustee Settles. The ordinance was moved and seconded to adopt this ordinance at final reading. Mayor Ostenburg asked if there were any questions or comments. None being heard, he called for a roll call vote by Clerk McGann. The ordinance was approved following a roll call vote with the following results:

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

The ordinance was adopted with seven (7) ayes, no (0) nays, and no (0) absent.

Adjournment

This concluded the regular Board meeting.

There being no further business. Mayor Ostenburg called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Trustee McCray, seconded by Trustee Brown and passed unanimously.

Mayor Ostenburg adjourned the regular meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheila McGann
Village Clerk