

**SATURDAY RULES MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF PARK FOREST, 350 VICTORY DRIVE, PARK FOREST, ILLINOIS
COOK AND WILL COUNTIES ILLINOIS**

March 5, 2022

PRESENT: Mayor Jonathan Vanderbilt; Trustee Tiffani Graham, Joseph Woods, Maya Hardy, Theresa Settles, Candyce Herron

ABSENT: Trustee Erin Slone

STAFF PRESENT: Village Manager Tom Mick, Police Chief Christopher Mannino

Mayor Vanderbilt called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

Village Manager Mick welcomed everyone back to in-person meetings and asked about question from yesterday's informational update.

Trustee Hardy mentioned the online auction that Jet Foods is having, upon which Manager Mick elaborated that Jet Foods is auctioning off materials from all of their stores. The auction will be held on March 8th. After Monday night's board meeting, there will be an executive session for an update on personnel items. Manager Mick mentioned the notice he provided to the Board that Craig Kaufman is leaving the Village for a position in Ft. Meyer, FL. He noted that he provided insight on the Board's questions about the financial update. Patrick Joyce is leaving the Downtown and setting up his office in Kankakee. On March 16th there will be a couple of master plan update sessions. The first will be in the morning at 7:30 with the business community and the second in the evening, that is open to the public. Good news from IPA, they will forgive \$400,000 of a \$5 million loan.

The meeting was then turned over to Police Chief Mannino.

Chief Mannino showed a case study video of the shooting incident that happened at Theater 47 with a part of the video being from the body camera from one of the officers on the scene. The video showed the officer trying to help the victims on scene and trying to find out who the shooter or shooters were. The crime wasn't solved because the victims' lack of cooperation. Trustee Settles asked why one of the victims wasn't cooperating. Chief Mannino responded stating he believes it's because of low trust in law enforcement. Trustee Hardy mentioned with the Fire Station close, why did it take so long for the paramedics to come. Chief Mannino stated that they were probably on additional calls at that point and an ambulance may have had to be called in from another department. Chief Mannino also mentioned that approximately 90% of Park Forest Police are trained in Crisis Intervention Training (CIT).

A resident, Chriselda Bell, shared with the Board the webinar that Congresswoman Robin Kelly and the Black caucus had on missing black girls and women and the lack of attention they

receive. Chief Mannino stated that the Police Department puts resources in place to find missing people that are a part of the Park Forest community. He detailed what these resources entail.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Hardy and seconded by Trustee Graham. Meeting adjourn at 11:29 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Dixon