

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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350 VICTORY DRIVE, PARK FOREST, ILLINOIS

CONFERENCE CALL

7:00 p.m.

January 18, 2022

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Jonathan Vanderbilt, Trustee Theresa Settles, Trustee Tiffani Graham, Trustee Joseph Woods, Trustee Candyce Herron, Trustee Maya Hardy, and Trustee Erin Slone

ABSENT: none

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Village Manager Tom Mick, Police Chief Christopher Mannino, Fire Chief Tracy Natyshok, Village Attorney Sean McGrath, Finance Director Mark Pries, Director of Economic Development and Planning Department Sandra Zoellner, and Director of Public Works Roderick Ysaguirre

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: none

RECORDER: Village Clerk Sheila McGann

Roll Call

Due to technical difficulties, the 7:00 pm was started at 7:29 pm.

The meeting was called to order at 7:29 pm by Mayor Vanderbilt. Roll was called by Clerk McGann.

Reports of Village Officers

Mayor

Mayor Vanderbilt commented that the Martin Luther King, Jr's birthday was honored and celebrated by the community. Committee A headed by Trustee Graham is given the task to review the Unified Development Ordinance regarding fence variations with a report due in April. Committee C Trustee Herron will chair an educational committee representing all school districts: 162, 163, 194, 201U, Rich 227, Governors State University and Prairie State College with a first report due in April.

Village Attorney

No report

Village Manager

Manager Mick said that holiday trees may be disposed at the Aqua Center until January 21. Recycle bins are located in Village Hall to dispose of holiday lights. The 2022 Park Forest Oscar Awards will be held at end of January remotely with more details to follow. He commended the

Board for their efforts participating in a four hour Strategic Planning session via Zoom last Saturday to set goals for the next few fiscal years, reviewing various reports, and discussing and finalizing goals.

Village Clerk

No report

Reports of Commission Liaisons and Committee Chairpersons

Trustee Settles had no commission reports. She encouraged residents to order their free Covid testing kits at the covidtest.gov website.

Trustee Graham reported that the Commission on Human Relations met last Tuesday regarding the virtual Black History Month Program. She also wished her parents a happy 47th wedding anniversary.

Trustee Woods wished everyone a happy belated Martin Luther King birthday. He was a man of service. Trustee Woods encouraged all to follow his example and be of service too. He thanked staff and the Police and Fire Departments for their service.

Trustee Hardy enjoyed the strategic planning meeting and thanks staff, consultants, and residents for their input.

Citizens Comments, Observations, Petitions*

None—see below

Motion: Approval of Consent

CONSENT:

MOVED that the Consent Agenda and each item contained therein be hereby approved:

MOTIONS

1. MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Rules meeting of December 6, 2021, the Regular meeting of December 13, 2021 and the Saturday Rules meeting of January 8, 2022.

2. MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees approve a Resolution Supporting a Cook County Class 8 Tax Assessment Classification for 22255 Central Park Avenue in the Village of Park Forest, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois, P.I.N. 31-35-202-016-0000.

3. MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees approve a Resolution Requesting that the Village of Park Forest be allowed to Participate in Cook County's No-Cash Bid Program for Tax Delinquent Properties to acquire 10 properties.

4. MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees approve a Resolution Requesting that the Village of Park Forest be allowed to Participate in Cook Count’s No-Cash Bid Program for Tax Delinquent Properties to acquire 6 properties.

5. MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees approve a contract with S & S Construction Solutions, Inc, located in Matteson, IL, for the build-out of 299 Main Street, in the amount of \$115,973 with a 5% contingency per the Landlord cost for a total of \$121,771.65.

6. MOVED, that the Village Manager is authorized to enter into a contract with Custom Manufacturing, located in Clinton, WI, to supply and erect a 20x30 Kayak Shed and ramp at Somonauk Park in the amount of \$75,200 with a 10% contingency for a total not to exceed \$82,720.

7. MOVED, that the Village Manager is authorized to enter into an Engineering Services Agreement with Baxter and Woodman Consulting Engineers for engineering services for the Water Plant Elevated Tower Replacement project in the amount not to \$124,450.

Appointments

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Lane Cameron to a term on the Economic Development Advisory Group to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Dilane Lofton to a term on the Economic Development Advisory Group to expire on December 31, 2023.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Jane Troescher to a term on the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Robert Marshall to a term on the Recreation & Parks Advisory Board to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Herlett Bell to a term on the Police & Fire Advisory Council to expire on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Sean Hightower to a term on the Police & Fire Advisory Council to expire on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Laron Mathews to a term on the Police & Fire Advisory Council to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Lynn Murphy to a term on the Police & Fire Advisory Council to expire on December 31, 2023.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Susan Blatchford to a term on the Beautification Awards Committee to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Annie James to a term on the Beautification Awards Committee to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Daniel Karwatka to a term on the Cable Communications Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Allison McCray to a term on the Cable Communications Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Monray Larry to a term on the Commission on Human Relations to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Ella Jones to a term on the Commission on Human Relations to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Lynne Santos to a term on the Commission on Human Relations to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Margaret Banks to a term on the Economic Development Advisory Group to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Mike Jordan to a term on the Economic Development Advisory Group to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint John V. Moore to a term on the Economic Development Advisory Group to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Julie Baker to a term on the Environment Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Kathrine Baker to a term on the Environment Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Kevin Headley to a term on the Environment Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Mamie Rodgers to a term on the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Sonja Howard to a term on the Park Forest Housing Authority Board to expire on December 31, 2026.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Denise Poston to a term on the Planning & Zoning Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Theodore Reich to a term on the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Mariah Hill to a term on the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Lamekia Davis to a term on the Youth Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Tami Davis to a term on the Youth Commission to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Mae Brandon as Chairperson for the Police and Fire Advisory Council, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Sean Hightower as Vice Chair for the Police and Fire Advisory Council, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Susan Blatchford as Chairperson for the Beautification Awards Committee, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Annie James as Vice Chair for the Beautification Awards Committee, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Michele Johnson as Chairperson for the Fire & Police Commission/Personnel Board, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Mamie Rodgers as Vice Chair for the Fire & Police Commission/Personnel Board, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Daniel Karwatka as Chairperson for the Cable Communications Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Rickey Williams as Vice Chair for the Cable Communications Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Monray Larry, as Chairperson for the Commission on Human Relations, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Ella Jones, as Vice Chair for the Commission on Human Relations, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Phillip Perkins as Chairperson for the Economic Development Advisory Group, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Margaret Banks as Vice Chair for the Economic Development Advisory Group, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Julie Baker as Chairperson for the Environment Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint David Bartlett as Vice Chair for the Environment Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Dr. Gayles Evans as Chairperson for the Housing Authority, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Denise Moore as Vice Chair for the Housing Authority, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Vernita Wickliffe-Lewis as Chairperson for the Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Marguerite Hutchins as Vice Chair for the Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Andre Graham as Chairperson for the Recreation & Parks Advisory Board, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Robbie Johns, as Chairperson for the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Theodore Reich, as Vice Chairperson for the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Barbara Jackson as Chairperson for the Veterans Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees appoint Ann LaFrance as Vice Chair for the Veterans Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Vernice Warren as Chairperson for the Youth Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Lemekia Davis as Vice Chair for the Youth Commission, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Michelle Broughton-Fountain as Adjudication Hearing Officer, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Felicia Frazier as Adjudication Hearing Officer, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint Marco Resendiz as Adjudication Hearing Officer, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

MOVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees reappoint John Russell as Adjudication Hearing Officer, for a term ending on December 31, 2022.

Mayor Vanderbilt asked if anyone wished any items to be removed from the consent agenda for further discussion.

Trustee Slone noted the spelling of her last name was incorrect in the Minutes of the December 6, 2021 Rules Meeting and requested that it be corrected.

Trustee Hardy motioned that all appointments to the Police and Fire Advisory Council to be tabled at this time till the February 21 Regular meeting. This was seconded by Trustee Herron. Hearing no other discussion, a roll call vote was called with the following results:

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

The motion was carried with seven (7) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) absent.

Approval of the consent agenda was moved by Trustee Hardy and seconded by Trustee Graham. Mayor Vanderbilt asked if anyone wished any items be removed from the consent agenda for further discussion. Hearing none, a roll call vote was called by Mayor Vanderbilt on the motion to approve the consent agenda. 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. Ordinance: An Ordinance Regarding the Sale of Central Court Plaza, Park Forest, Illinois PIN 31-35-202-016-0000 (First Reading)

This item has had first reading and will be on the agenda for discussion at the next regular meeting.

8. Ordinance: An Ordinance Amending Article II- Stopping, Standing and Parker, of Chapter 102- Traffic and Vehicles, of the Municipal Code of the Village of Park Forest to Regulate the Parking of Second Division and Other Commercial Vehicles (First Reading)

This item has had first reading and will be on the agenda for discussion at the next regular meeting.

Adjournment

This concluded the Regular Board meeting.

There being no further business. Mayor Vanderbilt called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Trustee Settles, seconded by Trustee Woods and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

The meeting was adjourned following a roll call vote with the following results:

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

The meeting was adjourned with seven (7) ayes, no (0) nays, and none (0) absent.

Mayor Vanderbilt adjourned the regular meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheila McGann
Village Clerk

**NOTE – DUE TO COVID-19
THE BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA CONFERENCE CALL**

***Public, in-person attendance of the Meeting has been deemed unfeasible;
All public comment can be sent prior to the phone conference Board Meeting, via email to tmick@vopf.com, by 3 pm the day of the meeting;
Public comments received via email will be read during the public meeting.**

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