

Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., 5/28 /14 at 7 pm

Officials: Mayor Thomas A. Brown, Administrator Lazuka and Clerk Minnis

Roll Call: Trustees Forte, Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, Smith and Ortiz were present

Also present were: Several village residents, PW Supt. Maltrotto, PW employees Jason Orel, Ken Gavin, John White and Supt.-in training Kenneth Prisby.

Invocation & Pledge. After a moment of silent prayer, Mayor Brown lead the assembly in the Pledge to the Flag.

Minutes: Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to approve the minutes of the 5/14/14 regular meeting. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Reports of Village Officials:

Mayor's Report:

- 1) **ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION.** Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to approve the Proclamation designating 5/24/14 as Arbor Day in East Hazel Crest. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried
- 2) **RESOLUTION 14-01.** This Resolution authorizes the Mayor & Clerk to execute the Agreement for the GRANT for the demolition of vacant/abandoned buildings. Trustees Smith & Kearns made the motions to adopt Resolution 14-01. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.
- 3) Item # 2 of Administrator's report – **II. State Police finger Print Agreement.** Trustees Kearns and Smith made the motions to authorize the execution of the Agreement for finger printing processing by the Il. State Police. All trustees were in favor. Motions carried.

Clerk: no report.

Administrator:

- 1) Introduction of employees of the Public Works Department.
Administrator Lazuka introduced:
 - Jason Orel, (his 10th year anniversary will be in Feb., 2015)
 - John White, hired last summer as part time, promoted to full time Sept., 2013.
 - Kenneth Gavin – hired full time in Dec., 2013
 - Kennth Prisby, started yesterday (5/27/14): training to replace Rory Maltrotto

She noted in addition to their qualifications, the last three(3) men have Class "C" Water Operators licenses.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to open this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:10 pm

CLOSE: There being no other input from those present, Trustees Smith & Ewan made the motions to CLOSE this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:11 pm

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets: Trustee Forte reported she, Mary Ervin, Pam Frazier and Clerk Minnis assisted PW's John White in the planting of a Cleveland Pear tree in the lot at 172nd & Center on Saturday, May 24th.

Trustee Forte noted the 5/16 & 5/17 *Clean Up Days in East Hazel Crest* were successful. Congratulations were extended to Mary & Pam for their efforts in Bremerton Woods. The residents of Country Lane are to be commended for the beautification of the 'circle'.

"Christmas in July" **Garage Sale** will be on July 25th & 26th. Participants must obtain a Garage Sale Permit.

Finance/License: Trustees Kearns & Ortiz made the motions to pay all bills on the Claims sheets dated 5/28/14 in the amount of \$44,215.02. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Signs/Maintenance/Construction: Trustee Johnson had no report. He said he will be inspecting outdoor signs & billboards during the summer months.

Health/Safety/Personnel: Trustee Ewan had nothing to report.

Water/Sewer: No report by Trustee Smith.

Police/Fire: Trustee Ortiz read the April, 2014 report of PD activities. The report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Old Business: Trustee Forte congratulated the EHC Volunteer Firemen for their successful PANCAKE BREAKFAST **and** Bake Sale held on May 18th! Neighbors & friends had a great time.

New Business

Adm. Lazuka will prepare a listing of proposed use or disposal of village owned properties at the request of Trustee Kearns.

Announcement: **Neighborhood Housing Services** will be giving away flowers in the Commuter Parking Lot on Saturday, June 7th, as a promotion to let residents know of NHS services.

Trustee Johnson inquired of the Bolzano's property. A call came in today inquiring of the Demolition Process. A County permit must be obtained before the Village can proceed.

Overgrown vegetation was brought up again. Citations should be issued to derelict property owners.

Trustee Kearns inquired if a Petition should be circulated complaining of the conditions of the viaducts. PW Supt. Maltrotto said there has been transitions in the Cook County Dept. of Highways personnel and complains have gone unanswered. CCDPH hasn't closed out the 171st Project yet! – over 7 yrs.

Trustee Johnson inquired if there will be additional proposals on utility rates. Mayor Brown said all we can be sure of is 'rates are going up'.

Executive Session: none

Adjournment: Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,