

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF EAST HAZEL CREST, Wednesday, 11/28/07- 8 PM**

**OFFICIALS:** Mayor Brown, Administrator Lazuka, and Clerk Minnis

**ROLL CALL:** Trustees: Forte, Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, Smith and Ortiz were present.

**ALSO PRESENT WERE:** Public Works Supervisor Maltrotto, FD Chief & Mrs. Vallow, PD Chief Robertson, Auditor Ron Amen, and numerous EHC residents.

**PRAYER AND PLEDGE:** After a moment of silent prayer, Mayor Brown lead the assembly in the Pledge to the Flag.

**MINUTES:** Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on 11/14/07 as presented. All trustees were in favor. Motions carried.

**REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS:**

**MAYOR:** Mayor Brown presented **ORDINANCE 07-06;** An Ordinance amending “the Code of the Village of East Hazel Crest, Illinois,” Chapter 10. – **Imposing fees** Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to adopt Ordinance 07-06. Roll call: all trustees voted aye. Motions carried.

**ORDINANCE 07-07** was presented; An ordinance regulating cable and video companies in the Village. This ordinance **amends Chapter 10 of the CODE. Cable and video customer protection law.** Trustees Kearns and Smith made the motions to adopt Ordinance 07-07. . Roll call: all trustees voted aye. Motions carried.

**ORDINANCE 07-08** was presented. An Ordinance amending Chapter `18 of the CODE concerning construction of utility facilities in the public rights of way. Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to adopt Ordinance 07-08. Roll call: all trustees voted aye. Motions carried.

**CALL ONE AGREEMENT.** There was a brief discussion on the Call One Agreement. Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to authorize the execution of the Call One Agreement. Roll call: all trustees voted aye. Motions carried.

**RESOLUTION 07-04- CDBG Sub Recipient Agreement with Cook County.** Trustees Kearns and Ortiz made the motions to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the Agreement. All trustees were in favor. Motions carried.

**CLERK:** The 2008 Vehicle and Animal Tags will be available in the Clerk’s office next week . Tags will be discounted until December 31<sup>st</sup>. The Holiday hours are as follows: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, December 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, and New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day, December 31<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>, the Clerk’s office will be CLOSED.

**ADMINISTRATOR:**

- 1) **Construction update:** (see Engineer's report)
- 2) **Boiler Repairs:** The following proposals were received for the replacement of Boiler #2 in the 1904 Building:

-West Side	\$21,200.00
-Metropolitan Pump	\$27,880.00
-So. West Town Mechanical	\$23,986.00

Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to accept the recommendation of PW's Supervisor Rory Maltrotto and award the contract to West Side at a cost of \$21,200.00. Roll call: all trustees voted aye. Motions carried. Rory informed members that the contract does not include the cost of opening the rubber roof. The fresh air and exhaust stack has to go through the roof. This will be an additional cost to re-seal the roof.
- 3) **LEVY ORDINANCE.** Publication of the Public Hearing Meeting Notice on the 2007/2008 LEVY has been made. The Public Hearing will be in the 1904 Building on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 7 pm. A copy of the Ordinance is in the Clerk's office. Members have copies of the proposed LEVY Ordinance.

**Engineer's Report:**

- Mary Clumpner read the following progress report on the 171<sup>st</sup> St. Project:
- . Pavement construction continues the rest of this week.
  - . 171<sup>st</sup> St. opening may be pushed back to early next week if acceptable concrete testing results have not been obtained by the 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - . Lift station has been delivered to the site.
  - . ComEd is scheduled to deliver power to the lift station on November 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - . Lift station start-up and pump/flow testing is scheduled for Tues., 12/4.

On the Ashland Avenue Sidewalk Project:

- . The sidewalk project was let by IDOT on 11/16. Nine bids were received. Davis Concrete submitted the low bid at \$91,173.00. The Engineer's estimate was \$106,516.50. The project is therefore awardable.

The annual Robinson Eng. Christmas party is this Saturday, 12/1 at Drury Lane in Oakbrook from 1-4 pm.

**OPEN TO VISITORS:** Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to open this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustee were in favor. Motions carried. Time: 8:30 pm

Fred Kolodziej of 1113 W.173<sup>rd</sup> St. thanked the Board for the prompt response regarding his complaint about construction debris around a neighbor's house.

Administration forwarded the complaint to Public Works. Building Inspector Maltrotto & PD had the resident take corrective action.

Alonzo Brown thanked Public Works for their help in a recent clean up in the village.

Bremerton Woods resident Maria Perez complained of pit bulls in her neighborhood. PD Chief Robertson has addressed the problem by sending letters to residents. [He will give Mrs. Perez a copy of the letter]

**CLOSE TO VISITORS:** There being no other input, Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to close this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees were in favor. 8:35 pm

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Finance/License:** Trustees Kearns and Ortiz made the motions to pay all bills on the 11/28/07 Claims sheets in the amount of \$88,902.27. Roll call: all trustees voted aye. Motions carried.

**Streets:** No report by Trustee Forte.

**Signs/Buildings:** Trustee Johnson had nothing to report.

**Health/Safety/Personnel:** No report by Trustee Ewan .

**Water/Sewers:** Trustee Smith had nothing to report.

**Police/Fire:** No report by Trustee Ortiz .

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Trustee Johnson said the next meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee will be on December 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm..

**NEW BUSINESS:** Fire Chief Vallow announced *Santa Claus is coming to Town* on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. Great news – the 171<sup>st</sup> Street viaduct will be open making Santa’s trip easier.

**Fiber Optic/Cable** – modular cabinet will be installed soon- next spring- by SBC just west of 1522 W. 174<sup>th</sup>. [this will be in competition with ComCast].

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Trustee Forte announced the EHC Library Board dropped off ‘bags’ to the Fire Department for Santa to distribute.

The Library Board will present “A Guide to Help You Understand Your Credit” and “How To Avoid the Pitfalls of a Mortgage Foreclosure” on Sat. 12/1/07 from 10 am to 2 pm at the Homewood Library.

ID Theft is becoming more prevalent and residents should be forewarned to shred any and all papers that may have your ID or other pertinent information on them.

**Adjourn to Executive Session.** Trustees Kearns and Ortiz made the motions to adjourn to Executive Session. All trustees were in favor. Motions carried Time: 8:44 pm.

**RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION:** Trustees Smith and Ortiz made the motions to reconvene to regular session. All trustees were in favor. Motions carried. Time: 9:01 pm

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no other business to come before the Council, Trustees made the motions to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Motions carried. Time: 9:02 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Helen M. Minnis  
Village Clerk