

**Regular Mtg. of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., 8/23/23 at 7:05 pm**

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

Roll Call: Trustees Kearns, Johnson Ewan, Wideman and Ortiz were present; Tr. Forte arrived at 7:05 pm.

Also present were: PD Chief Janich, FD Dpty Fire Chief Mills, M. Fernandez, Louie Dutka & Linda, Joan Hale, D. Steibes, Paula Newton, Sue Hakins, Kris & Kim Symbarski, Andrew Jelinewski & Katie Grennes..

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

Minutes: Trustees Ortiz & Kearns made the motions to approve the minutes of the 8/9/23 minutes All trustees were in favor; Mtn. carried.

OPEN TO VISITORS: Trustees Ortiz and Wideman made the motions to OPEN this segment of the meeting to visitors. All trustees voted aye. Mtn. Carried.

Sue Hawkins requested a "No Parking" sign on Fisk Avenue

L. Dutka again complained about the debris at 1422, 1423 and 1514 W. 173<sup>rd</sup> St at the 6/14 meeting. Everything except at 1422 have been cleaned up. He said the trucks working at the Casino site are creating metal debris on the roadway..

M. Fernandez asked about video/cameras. It was noted there are six (6) cameras already operational in the area.

**Close to Visitors:** There being no other input to this meeting, Trustees Ortiz and Wideman made the motions to CLOSE. All trustees present were in favor. Motions carried.

**Reports of Village Officials:**

**Mayor:** PD Chief Janich introduced PD Officer Jelenewski & Officer Katie Grennes and then asked Officer Grennes to step forward and he proceeded to tell of Officer Grennes' extraordinary efforts in August, 2022 in a case of sexual abuse by a family member. Congratulations, Officer Grennes!

**Clerk:** No report.

**Administrator:** 1) Discussion and approval of tree trimming proposals. Trustees Kearns and Ewan made the motions to approve the \$7,000 for the tree trimming proposal. Roll Call: all trustees voted aye. Mtn. carried.

**Administrator, m cont'd.:**

2) STI Group proposal for 0365 Email software and Barracuda email security. This is for 10 licenses @ \$125.00 a month for 0375; 8 at \$80.00 a month for 205 and \$1,500.00 for installation change; and \$252.00 monitoring costs for 2 hrs. of support services monthly for a total of \$457.00. Trustees Forte and Wideman made the motions to approve. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

3) **Fire Hydrant replacement.** \$3,584.00 for hydrant replacement.

Trustees Kearns and Ewan made the motions to approve the \$3,584.00 expenditure. Roll Call: all trustees voted aye. Mtn. carried.

**Reports of Standing Committees:**

**Streets:** Tr. Forte expressed support of the software security . She also spoke of steel shavings on the street off of Halsted St. and grass cutting debris being thrown in our streets, especially at 175<sup>th</sup> & Loomis. She said Homewood should sweep the area.

**Finance/Licensing:** Trustees Johnson and Kearns made the motions to approve payment of all bills on the 8/23/23 Claims Sheets in the amount of \$112,051.37. Roll Call: all trustees voted aye; Motion carried.

**Signs:** No report by Tr. Kearns.

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

**Water: & Sewer:** Tr. Wideman. There was a problem last week- a situation with air in water lines.. Robinson Eng. Personnel verified water was chlorinated sufficiently. PW Director King explained the problem.

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

**Unfinished Business: none**

**New Business:** Trustees Forte spoke of the Wed. 10/4/23 luncheon at the Double Tree. The tickets are available at \$35.00 each. Condolences to Robin Kelly for the loss of her husband.

**Announcements:**

FD Dpt. Chief Mills spoke of the "Fill the Boot" campaign this Friday and Saturday at 175<sup>th</sup> & Center and the Spaghetti Dinner on Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>. He mentioned the attendance of 3 firemen to the Fire Academy at Prairie State University thru Grants.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no other business to come before this meeting, Trustees Ortiz and Wideman made the motions to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Motions carried. Time: 7:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen M.Minnis  
Village Clerk