

Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., 8/23/17 at 7 pm

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

Roll Call: Trustees Forte, Kearns, Ewan, Smith and Ortiz were present; Trustee Johnson was absent. (Tr. Johnson arrived at 7:06 pm during roll call vote on Res.17-06)

Also present were: FD Chief Wm. Vallow, PD Chief Ken Vallow, PW Supt. Brian King, P. Newton, P. Fregeau, and Pam Frasier.

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

Minutes: Trustees made the motions to approve the minutes of the 8/9/17 regular meeting. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Reports of Village Officials:

Mayor's Report:

- 1) **Ordinance 17-07**; Mayor Brown pulled this Ordinance from the Agenda.
- 2) **RESOLUTION 17-04**; Working Budget. After briefly reviewing the 'numbers', Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to approve Resolution 17-04. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried.
- 3) **RESOLUTION 17-05**; Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Homewood for maintenance and electrical service to the traffic signal at 174th & Halsted. Trustees Smith & Kearns made the motions to approve Resolution 17-05. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried.
- 4) **RESOLUTON 17-06**; Re-execute the Halsted Street *Right of Way* documents. Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to re-execute the Halsted St. ROW. Roll Call: Trustees Forte, Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, Smith & Ortiz voted aye. Mtn. carried.

Mayor Brown spoke of the recent court action on Harvey's mismanagement of their Fire Department Pension Fund. He noted the court has appointed a 'receiver' to manage Harvey's finances.

Clerk: An invitation has been received to help Robinson Eng. celebrate 80 years of engineering services to Chicagoland communities on Friday, 9/22/17 at the Urban Rooftop Bar at 1 West Upper Wacker Drive, Chicago.

Administrator:

- 1) Adm. Lazuka reported on the 2017 FEST.
- 2) Adm. Lazuka noted input about the scheduling of the 2018 Centennial Celebration. Consensus of members to hold the celebration in September.
- 3) **Distribution of Zoning Map and ZBA suggestions for changes to the Zoning Map.** Members were urged to review the map with the ZBA suggested changes and be prepared to meet with the ZBA before a Public Hearing will be held.

Mayor Brown said there is an opening on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Interested residents should submit their resume to Mayor Brown.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets: Trustee Forte had nothing to report. She does have safety concerns about people making left hand turns from 174th St. onto North bound Halsted St. Perhaps 'no left turns' should be considered when the light is installed.

There was a brief discussion on the speed limits on Ashland Avenue.

Finance/License: 1) Trustees Kearns & Ortiz made the motions to pay all bills on the Claims sheets dated 8/23/17 in the amount of \$87,654.93. Roll Call: All trustees voted aye. Mtn. carried.

2) Bus. License Application of **Dollar Grove Lane** at 1305 W. 171st St. After a brief discussion, Mayor Brown suggested an inspection of the premises should be made to determine if there is sufficient parking for this type of business.

Signs/Maintenance/Construction: Trustee Johnson reported he has completed making sign inspections. His report was given to the Clerk to follow up with billing.

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

Water/Sewer: Trustee Smith distributed copies of the *Water Pumpage Report* comparing usage for 2015, 2016 & current.

Police/Fire: Trustee Ortiz had nothing to report.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Trustees made the motions to open this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:33 pm

Paul Fregeau of 17212 Country Lane had several questions, including 'where are the **Bremerton Woods** signs that used to be at 173rd & Dixie and 172nd Place & Wood Sts? Public Works will look into this. He also complained about residents not keeping up their side & rear yards. Some of these residents are in rental properties. Perhaps the property owners should be notified for compliance with Municipal Code.

Paula Newton inquired if the Village had followed up from the last meeting and sent out 'flyers' about the **Village Wide Garage Sale**. The 'flyers' were mailed last week. She also inquired about the responsibility of maintaining the viaducts on 171st St. Adm. Lazuka informed her of the multi-jurisdictional responsibilities of Canadian RR & METRA for the land adjacent to their 'lines' and Hazel Crest, Harvey and East Hazel Crest for the sidewalk under the viaducts. 171st Street is the responsibility of Cook County.

Ms. Newton also inquired about the current Tree Removal Project. Adm. Lazuke said a tree came down in Bremerton Woods and the contractor will come back for it. There are 26 stumps to be removed – but in another project.

CLOSE: There being no other input from those present, Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motion to CLOSE this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:58 pm

Old Business: Trustee Ewan reported on the registrations received for the Village Wide Garage Sale. Copies of registration forms were included in the 'flyers' sent out last week.

New Business: none

Announcements: Trustee Kearns and wife Helen are celebrating their 42nd anniversary today.

- Fire Chief Vallow and his wife Carol will celebrate their 61st anniversary in a few days.

- PD Chief Ken Vallow said at the 8/16/17 mtg. in Tinley Park, the EHCPD received 1st place with an in-car radar gun. (est. value \$20,000).

Adjournment: Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen M. Kearns