

Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., February 8th, 2017
at 7:08 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: Phillip McGill, Willie Holland, J. Hale, J. Thompson, FD Chief Wm. Vallow, PD Chief Ken Vallow, PW Director Brian King.

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 Smith & Ortiz made the motions to approve the minutes of the 1/25/17 regular meeting. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Reports of Village Officials:

Mayor's Report:

- 1) **Ordinance 16-13; Inoperable/Inoperable vehicles, etc.** Trustees Kearns and Smith made the motions to adopt Ord. 16-13. Roll Call: All trustees voted aye. Mtn. carried.
- 2) **Ordinance 16-14; Amending Chap. 6, clarification of Ordinance governing issuance of Building Permits.** Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to adopt Ord. 16-14. Roll Call: all trustees voted aye. Mtn. carried.
- 3) **Ordinance 16-15; Amending Zoning Code.** Passage of this ordinance was deferred until after the Public Hearing Meeting of the Zoning board.
- 4) **Chicago Southland Convention & Visitors Bureau.** Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to acknowledge the CSCVB as the Village's Convention & Visitor's Bureau of record. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.
- 5) **Salvation Army request for their DONUT DAY & RED KETTLE Campaigns.** Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to approve June 2nd & 3rd as DONUT DAYS and Nov. 1st thru Dec. 23rd as RED KETTLE DAYS in East Hazel Crest. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Clerk: Members were reminded of the Fire Dept. Annual AWARDS DINNER to be held at Glenwood Oaks on Feb. 25th. Reservations should be in by this Friday.

Administrator: no report.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to open this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:12 pm

Phillip McGill inquired about the issuance of his Business License. Mayor Brown explained the problem. The building must be brought into compliance with CODE – there are plumbing code violations: grease & oil being deposited into the sanitary sewer. Corrections must be made within 30 days or Business Licenses will be ‘pulled’.

CLOSE: There being no other input from those present, Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to CLOSE this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:15 pm

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets: Trustee Forte had nothing to report.

Finance/License: Trustees Kearns & Smith made the motions to pay all bills on the Claims sheets dated 1/27/17 and 2/8/17 in the amount of \$106,605.57. Roll Call: All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Signs/Maintenance/Construction: Trustee Johnson had nothing to report.

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

Water/Sewer: Trustee Smith had nothing to report.

Police/Fire: Trustee Ortiz read the January reports of FD & PD activities. These reports will be on file in the Clerk’s office.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: Mayor Brown will be sending a letter tomorrow to the City of Harvey objecting to the water rates being charged to East Hazel Crest. According to the contracts for sale of water from the City of Chicago, Harvey can only charge \$3.92 plus operating & maintenance expenses to water Harvey charges to other communities. A meeting to discuss the problem was requested.

Discussion followed on the number of cars parking on the north side of 175th St. The St. of Illinois is leasing a building in Homewood and there is insufficient parking for the employees and clients. A brief discussion followed.

Announcement: Reminder by Fire Chief Vallow of their 2/25/17 Awards Dinner at Glenwood Oaks .

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OTHER: Trustee Forte inquired about the status of the 'old restaurant' on Center at 175th St.

Trustee Ewan inquired about why it's taking so long to remove the blue tarp and repair the roof at 1518 W. 173rd St. Code Enforcement will follow up on this inquiry.

Adjournment: Trustees Ortiz & Smith made the motions to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan M. Minnis
Village Clerk