

**Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., 6/12 /19 at 7 pm**

Officials: Administrator Lazuka and Clerk Minnis

In the absence of Mayor Brown Clerk Minnis made the Roll Call:

Roll Call: Trustees Forte, Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, Smith & Ortiz

Clerk Minnis asked for motions to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem. Trustees Smith and Johnson made motions to appoint Trustee Ortiz to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. All trustees were in favor.

Guests: FD Chief Wm. Vallow, PD Chief Roy Janich, PW Supt. Brian King, J. Hale, J. Thompson, J. Fimbianti, H. Kearns, M. Forte, Mr. & Mrs. Rivera, Mr. & Mrs. Murry.

Invocation & Pledge. Mayor Pro Tem asked for a moment of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Minutes: Trustees Smith & Johnson made the motions to approve the minutes of the 5/22/19 regular meeting. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Reports of Village Officials:

**Mayor's Report:** no input

**Clerk:** A reminder of Rep. Will Davis' SHRED DAY this Saturday in the commuter parking lot from 9AM until Noon,

**Administrator:**

- 1) **FD request to purchase a washing machine.** After a brief discussion, Trustees Smith & Forte made the motions to approve a 30# capacity HARDMOUNT WASHER-EXTRACTOR at the cost of \$6,880.00. Roll Call: all trustees voted aye.
- 2) **Auto Aid Agreement.** Discussion. Trustees Smith & Kearns made the motions to approve the AGREEMENT. All trustees were in favor Motion carried.
- 3) **FD request: 'FILL THE BOOT CAMPAIGN'.** The FD has scheduled four(4) days for the campaign. The firemen will be stationed at 175<sup>th</sup> & Center to 'Fill the Boot'. Trustees Johnson and Kearns made the motions to approve the request. All trustees were in favor. Motion carried.
- 4) **AM TREE –tree removal proposal.** Adm. Lazuka said there is an annual review of trees that need to be removed in the village and it has been determined that thirteen (13) trees should be removed. AM TREE has submitted their proposal in the amount of \$7,100.00.

It will cost an additional \$1,100.00 to grind out the stumps. Trustees Johnson and Smith made the motions to **approve the AM TREE proposal in the amount \$8,200.00** for the removal of thirteen (13) trees and grinding out the stumps. Roll Call: all trustees voted aye. Motions carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Streets:** Trustee Forte spoke of a car being parked on the street overnight in front of 1409 W. 173<sup>rd</sup> St. There should be no overnight parking on village streets.

**Finance/License:**

- 1) Trustees Kearns and Johnson made the motions to approve payment of all bills on the 6/12/19 list of bills in the amount of \$66,206.74. Roll Call: all trustees voted aye. Motions carried.
- 2) Trustee Kearns presented an application for a Home Occupation Permit from Melissa Forte of 17429 Loomis for 'an on-line and phone' business for the preparation of meals. She said she will be sharing a kitchen in La Grange. There will be no traffic or deliveries at her home. As the business name is yet to be determined, Ms. Forte will advise the village of the name as soon as it's made. After discussion, Trustees Kearns and Johnson made the motions to approve Melissa's request for the Permit.

**Signs/Maintenance/Construction:** Trustee Johnson asked the Clerk for the list of signs for which he will be making inspections in the coming weeks.

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

**Water/Sewer:** No report by Trustee Smith.

**Police/Fire:** Trustee Smith read the report Fire Dept. activities for the month of April and May. These reports will be on file in the Clerk's office.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** Trustees Smith & Johnson made the motions to open this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:30 pm

Melissa Forte inquired if the FD would be 'renting out' the new washing machine. The answer is no.

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Mrs. Rivera of 1415 W. 172<sup>nd</sup> St. said her family burns 'bon fires' in the back yard. There have been complaints about this activity and police have responded. PD Chief Janich said 'if a complaint is received, PD responds'. Discussion followed on municipal and County Codes on 'open burning'. If the 'bon fire' isn't furniture, mattresses or other trash and is in an approved container, then there is no problem.

**CLOSE to the PUBLIC.** Trustees Smith & Kearns made the motions to Close this segment of the meeting to the Public. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:34 pm

**Unfinished Business:** Tr. Forte reminded those present that the EHC LIBRARY is no longer associated with the Homewood Library as of June 30<sup>th</sup>. The EHC Library has a contract with the Thornton Library as of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Since our Library has two 'drop off' boxes in the Village that they no longer need, perhaps the name could be painted over and the boxes used by the Village. ?for drop off of water payments?

The vacancy on the Village Library Board has been filled with the appointment of Karen Santillan.

Tr. Ewan noted siding is 'off the east side' of 1222 W. 173<sup>rd</sup> St. PW's Supt. King said the siding came off during recent storms. Disc. followed on the 'use' of the house. During the 're-construction' of the PD, the building was used for storage of records. Should the house be rented?

**New Business:** none

**Announcement:** Tr. Forte said several movies have been 'shot' in the Chicagoland area. The producers of these movies are interested in hiring locals – especially children..

**Executive Session:** none

**Adjournment:** Trustees Smith & Ewan made the motions to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,