

**Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., 3/13/24 at 7:00 pm**

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

Roll Call: Trustees Ewan, Wideman and Ortiz were present; Tr. Johnson arrived at 7:06 pm; Tr. Forte & Tr. Kearns were absent. Also present were: PD Chief Janich, Fire Chief Vallow, Dpt. Fire Chief Mills, PW's Director Brian King, S. Sokolowski, L. Dutka & Linda, Joan Hale & daughter, and Carol Cook.

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

Minutes: Trustees Ortiz & Ewan the motions to approve the minutes of the 2/28/24 meeting. All trustees present were in favor; Mtn. carried. Time: 7:02 pm

OPEN TOVISITORS: Tr. Wideman and Ortiz made the motions to OPEN this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time 7:04 pm. Stan Sokolowski spoke of squatters living in the 1200 block of 174<sup>th</sup> St. He questioned why PD didn't secure the building. He also had questions about cleaning the ditches.

M. Fernandez asked for tickets to the CASINO open house and lights under the viaducts, mail from the Village of Hazel Crest, and asked for tickets to the 3/20<sup>th</sup> Casino Presentation.

L. Dutka gave his condolences to Adm. Lazuka on the death of her mother, Marcella Gill. Louie complained 'the railroad is 'really loud' and also about 'smoke from the trains'. He asked about the 'tree removal program'. AND, 'what about the 'cats' roaming thru town.

There being no other input from those present, Trustees Johnson and Ortiz made the motions to CLOSE this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:30 pm.

Reports of Village Officials:

Mayor:

- 1) Mayor Brown presented Resolution 23-12, authorizing the sale of 1315 W. 172<sup>nd</sup> St. and 1515 W. 172<sup>nd</sup> Street. Trustees Ortiz and Johnson made the motions to adopt Resolution 23-12. Roll Call: All trustees present voted aye. Mtn. carried.
- 2) Approval to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement with Cook County for Health inspections relative to food service sanitation and retail food store sanitation. Trustees Wideman and Ortiz made the motions to approve the IGA with Cook County. Roll Call: all trustees present voted aye; Tr. Forte & Kearns were absent. Motions carried.

Reports of Village Officials, continued:

Clerk: No report.

Administrator:

- 1) Requesting approval to renew Village Health Insurance and increase death coverage insurance for village employees to \$50,000. Trustees Johnson and Wideman made the motions to approve the requests. All trustees voted aye on the Roll Call; Tr. Forte and Kearns were absent. Motions carried.
- 2) Request of Rep. Davis to conduct his annual Community SHRED DAY. Trustees Johnson and Ortiz made the motions to approve the request. All trustees present voted aye; Tr. Forte & Kearns were absent. Mtn. carried.
- 3) Consider approval for PW request to purchase new front loader replacing the Kabuta. Three bids have been accepted: \$110,000, \$106,95, and \$98,000. Trustees Johnson and Wideman made the motions to approve the \$98,000 bid. All trustees present voted aye on the Roll Call. motions carried.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Sts: Tr. Forte was absent.

Fin/Lic: Trustees Johnson and Ewan made the motions to pay all bills on the 3/13/24 Claims Sheets in the amount of \$82,605.84. Roll Call: all trustees present voted aye; Tr. Forte and Kearns were absent. Motions carried.

Signs /Maintenance/Construction: Tr. Trustee Kearns was absent.

Personnel: No report by Trustee Ewan.

Water/Sewers: No report by Tr Wideman.

PD/FD. Trustees Ortiz read the Police Report for Feb. 2024. This report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Unfinished Business: none

New business: none

Announcements: none

Adj. There being no other input to this meeting, Trustees Wideman & Ortiz made the motions to adjourn. All trustees present were in favor; Tr. Forte & Kearns were absent. Mtn carried. Time; 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Helen M. Minnis

Village Clerk