

Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., 11/13/19 at 7 pm

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

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

Guests: FD Chief Wm. Vallow, PD Chief R. Janich, PW Supt. B. King, Wanda Poppler & son, S. Slobowski, L. Dutka, P. Newton

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 Ortiz and Johnson made the motions to approve the minutes of the 10/23/19 regular meeting. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Reports of Village Officials:

Mayor's Report: ORDINANCE 19-05, Amending Sec. 22-201, Assessorly Uses, Sec. (b) 1 & 2 of the Zoning Code. Trustees Johnson and Smith made the motions to adopt Ord. 19-05. Roll Call: all trustees voted aye. Motions carried,.

Clerk: Vehicle tags for f/y 2020 will go on sale in the Clerk's office Dec. 2nd at the discounted price. Regular price of tags will be effective January 1st.

Administrator:

- 1) Members discussed removal of two trees on 174th St. just east of Ashland Avenue. It was decided to table further discussion to the next meeting.
- 2) POLICY change. Adm. Lazuka deferred to Chief Janich to speak of proposed change in POLICY relative to the hiring of part time officers. If an applicant for part time work is recently retired from another PD (within twelve (12) months) there is no need for the comprehensive testing. Discussion. Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to adopt the change to POLICY in hiring part time Police officers. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to open this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Time: 7:20 pm

Wanda Poppler of 17206 Hawthorne addressed the Board about the recent burglaries at her home saying there hasn't been a PD response/follow up. Chief Janich will follow up on this complaint.

Another resident inquired about the status of the old restaurant at 175th & Center. What's it going to cost to demolish it? Prices are being solicited. The resident also asked about solicitation /For Sale signs. How come the Village Administrator can't act as our solicitor instead of using a Realtor?

P. Newton asked Mayor Brown about a recent article on the 2020 Census. Mayor Brown spoke to the issue/importance of an accurate count of our residents. Federal dollars are distributed to municipalities by the numbers, that is the number of residents.

Mr. Dutka asked if the Village has received a response from the CN on the petition for a 'sound wall'. Mayor Brown said an e-mail was received yesterday requesting to meet on 11/22 to discuss the problem. Mayor Brown extended an invitation to Mr. Dutka to the meeting with the RR.

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: 7:25 pm

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets: Trustee Forte urged residents to 'burn' their lights. On 11/18 the Village of Homewood will have several collection sites for old/burned out holiday lights.

Finance/License: Trustees Kearns and Johnson made the motions to approve payment of all bills on the 11/13/19 Claims Sheets in the amount of \$62,835.74. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

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

Health/Safety/Personnel: Trustee Ewan said there will be a meeting of the HSF Committee at 6:30 pm prior to the regular meeting on 12/18/19.

Water/Sewer: No report by Trustee Smith.

Police/Fire: Trustee Ortiz read the report of PD activities for the month of October, 2019. This report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Old Business: Work will begin this week on the traffic signal at 174th & Halsted .

New Business: Thanksgiving Day and Christmas. The Board usually cancels the 2nd meetings in November and Decembers. Trustees Kearns and Smith made the motions to cancel the November 27th, 2019 meeting. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Trustees Kearns and Smith made the motions to cancel the December 25th meeting. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried

Adm. Lazuka had distributed copies of the LEVY ORDINANCE. (the LEVY Ordinance must be passed by the end of December). Trustees Kearns and Smith made the motions to move the 1st meeting in December from the 11th to the 18th. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.

Announcement:

American Legion Post 1139 will have their CHRISTMAS PARTY at the Warsaw Inn on Dec. 7th.

Executive Session: Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss PERSONNEL. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried.
Time": 7:52 pm

RECONVENE: Trustees Ortiz & Smith made the motions to reconvene to Regular Session. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 8:26 pm

Adjournment: Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 8:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Celina M. Wierman
Village Clerk