

Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., 10/14/20 at 7 pm held in the 1904 Conf .Rm. A with tele/conf for the public in Conf. Rm. C (1906)

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

Roll Call: Trustees Forte, Johnson, Ewan, & Ortiz were present; Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent.

Also present were FD Deputy Chief Mills and PD Chief Janich.

Guest: Paula Newton

Invocation & Pledge. Silent invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Minutes: Trustees Ortiz and Forte made the motions to approve the minutes of the 09/0920 regular meeting. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried.
(Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent).

Reports of Village Officials:

Mayor's Report:

- 1) **RESOLUTION 20-03- A Resolution authorizing the signing of Agreements with Thomas Dodge-Chrysler-Jeep of Highland, INC. Chicago Parts and Sound, LLC and Carl's Autobody Repair Service.** Trustees Ewan and Ortiz made the motions to adopt Resolution 20-03. Roll Call: All trustees present voted aye (Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent). Mtn. carried.
- 2) **RESOLUTION 20-04. A Resolution authorizing the signing of a loan Agreement with CNB Bank & Trust** for the purchase of a **2020 RAM** truck from Thomas Dodge-Chrysler of Highland, IN. Tr. Ortiz and Ewan made the motions to adopt Resolution 20-04. Roll Call: All trustees present voted aye (Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent). Mtn. carried
- 3) **RESOLUTION 20-05. A Resolution approving Class 6B Assessment status for the Homewood Disposal properties on Laflin and Ashland Avenue.** Trustees Ewan and Ortiz made the motions to adopt Resolution 20-05. Roll Call: All trustees present voted aye (Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent). Mtn. carried.
- 4) **Approval of the IGA with Cook County for Health Inspections.** Trustees Ewan and Ortiz made the motions to authorize the execution of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Cook County to make health inspections at various locations within the Village. Roll Call: All trustees present voted aye (Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent). Mtn. carried

Clerk: No report just a 'Point of Information' – The Consolidated Election will be held on Tuesday, April 6th, 2021. Mayor Brown inquired about what offices will be on the ballot. The **Community Party** has indicated their candidates are: Thomas A. Brown, Mayor; Helen M. Minnis, Clerk; and Maureen Forte, Jesus Ortiz, Jr. and Ronald S. Wideman, Jr. as trustees. The filing dates are the 2nd week in December, 2020.

Administrator:

1) Request for approval to extend Canon Copier lease for both PD and Admin. Copiers. Trustees Johnson and Ewan made the motions to approve extending the lease on the Admin and PD copiers for another six (6) years. Roll Call: All trustees present voted aye (Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent). Mtn. carried

2) Approval to make necessary plumbing changes for Covid 19 prevention in washrooms and kitchen in 1904 Bldg.. Brief discussion. Trustees Ewan and Forte made the motions to approve the plumbing changes. Roll Call: All trustees present voted aye (Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent). Mtn. carried

3) Requests have come in to 'open' the village parks. Discussion. It was the consensus *not to open the parks.*

Adm. Lazuka read a letter from Congressman Davis commending the Village for the successful **SHRED DAY** held on September 19th. He was appreciative of the assistance of the Village's employees and especially that of the Police Department.

OPEN TO VISITORS: Trustees Ortiz and Johnson made the motions to open this segment of the meeting to the Public. All trustees present were in favor. (Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent). Mtn. carried. Time: 7:25 pm. Paula Newton inquired about the village's monitoring of air and noise pollution from the railroad. Perhaps we should be monitoring the pollution from the tollroad.

CLOSE TO VISITORS:

There being no other input, Trustees Ortiz and Ewan made the motions to close this segment of the meeting to the Public. All trustees present were in favor. (Tr. Kearns and Smith were absent). Mtn. carried. Time: 7:33 pm.

Reports of Standing Committees:

STREETS: Trustee Forte reported on observing a car cruising the streets with a Female exiting the vehicle & walking the streets. She indicated the PD should 'look into' what could possibly be happening.

Trustee Forte spoke of Bremerton Woods residents who cut the grass in the 'Circle' and plant flowers. The BW residents asked if the Village employees could paint the curbing in the 'Circle'.

Finance & Licensing: In the absence of Tr. Kearns, Mayor Brown addressed the Bus. Lic. Application of LaShawn Toles d/b/a Solutions Auto Group, Inc. at 1307 W. 171st ST. They have been operating without a license. Mayor Brown tabled the application until the Bldg. Inspector investigates to determine if the Bldg. is in compliance and if there is sufficient parking.

Trustees Ortiz and Ewan made the motions to approve payment of all bills on Claims sheets dtd 9/23/20 in the amount of \$50,000.27 and Claims sheets dtd. 10/14/20 in the amount of a\$171,266.44 for a total of \$221,266.44. Roll Call: all trustees present voted aye (tr. Smith & Kearns were absent). Mtn. carried.

Signs: There was a brief discussion of the condition of 171st St. between Ashland and Wood Streets and of it's general maintenance.

Trustee Johnson has made inspections of all outdoor signage/billboards . He filed his report with the Village Clerk.

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

Water/Sewer: Tr. Smith was absent.

Police/Fire: Tr. Ortiz read the report of the EHCPD activities for the month of September, 2020. This report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Executive Session: None

Announcements: None

Adjournment: There being no other business to come before the council, Trustees Ortiz and Ewan made the motions to adjourn. all trustees present were in favor (Tr. Smith & Kearns were absent). Mtn. carried. Time: 7:44 pm

Respectfully submitted
Ashley M. Munro