

Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., 10/23/19 at 7 pm

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

Roll Call: Trustees Forte, Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, & Ortiz; Trustee Smith was absent.

Also present: FD Chief Wm. Vallow, PD Chief Janaich, PW Supt. King, and residents C. Cook, H. Kearns, P. Newton, S. Slobowski, M. Kiehl, L. Dutka & Linda

Invocation & Pledge. After a moment of silent prayer, everyone pledged their Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Minutes: Trustees Ortiz and Forte made the motions to approve the minutes of the 10/09/19 regular meeting. All trustees present were in favor; Tr. Smith was absent. Mtn. carried.

Reports of Village Officials:

Mayor's Report:

1) Report of 10/21/19 ZBA Public Hearing. Mayor Brown read the report submitted by ZBA Chairman Rosiak. It was the unanimous decision of ZBA members to approve the request of Michael Kiehl for a variance at 1402 W. 173rd St. from Zoning Section 22-201 Accessory Uses, Section (b) 1 and 2. Trustees Ortiz and Forte made the motions to accept the ZBA report to grant the variance. All trustees present were in favor. [Tr. Smith was absent]. Mtn. carried.

Trustees Ortiz and Kearns made the motions to authorize the Village Attorney to draft the Ordinance to make the change to the Zoning Code. All trustees present were in favor. [Tr. Smith was absent]. Mtn. carried.

- 2) **FD Halloween Party** will be Sunday, 10/27/19 from 1-3 pm.
- 3) Halloween **TRICK & TREAT hours** will be on 10/31/19 from 3-7 pm.
- 4) **Property Contract Approval.** Trustees Johnson and Ortiz made the motions to approve contracting with Joanne Bartleson for listing six (6) village owned properties for sale. Trustees Forte, Johnson, Ewan, and Ortiz were in favor; Trustee Kearns voted nay; Trustee Smith was absent. Mtn. carried.
- 5) **Intergovernmental Agreement** with Cook County Dept. of Health Services for health inspection services. Trustees Ortiz and Johnson made the motions to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the Agreement. All trustees present were in favor. [Tr. Smith was absent]. Mtn. carried.

Clerk: No report

Administrator: FD Presentation – Paver Brick Memorial project.

- 1) **Fire Chief Vallow** spoke of the proposed Paver Brick Memorial project. After much discussion, Trustees Johnson and Forte made the motions to approve the project. Roll Call: All trustees present voted aye. [Tr. Smith was absent]. Mtn. carried.

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

One resident inquired about the article in the Homewood Chronical newsletter about Homewood 'looking into' getting water from Hammond via Chicago Heights. Mayor Brown responded that Homewood currently gets Chicago water from Harvey at 171st & Center with their water line running thru East Hazel Crest under Center Avenue ROW. The resident also inquired about street lighting and village culverts.

Another resident inquired about 'property for sale' under the Mayor's report. Mayor Brown responded the 6 (six) parcels were **being listed for sale, not being sold**. This resident also inquired about the 'hydrant' report.

Another resident who lives in the Homewood Court Apartments said she was at the Public Hearing held prior to the regular Board Meeting on 10/9/19. She was surprised to hear other residents of the *HCA* complain about the lights that would be generated from the casino when they should be more concerned about the lack of garbage containers in their area now. She said trash 'blows' thru the area from the overflowing containers. Also those residents that don't 'pick up' after their dogs defecate on their neighbors' lawn. Mayor Brown said whenever she observes violations, she should call the Police Department; and building owners of the offending residents will be contacted

Another resident complained about street repairs needed. The Village Engineer will be contacted.

CLOSE: There being no other input from those present, Trustees Ortiz and Johnson made the motions to CLOSE this segment of the meeting to the public. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:38 pm

The Village's NEWSLETTER will contain these complaints.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets: Trustee Forte had nothing to report.

Finance/License: Trustees Kearns and Johnson made the motions to pay all bills on the Claims Sheets dated 10/23/19 in the amount of \$110,175.64.
Roll Call: all trustees present voted aye. Mtn. carried.

Signs/Maintenance/Construction: Trustee Johnson reported bills for Sign Inspections have been mailed to Outdoor Advertisers.

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

Water/Sewer: Trustee Smith was absent..

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

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Announcement: Sunday, 10/27/19 ...Annual FD Halloween Party.....1-3 pm
-Tr. Forte said there will be a **Beard & Mustache** contest in Tinley Park on Nov. 8 & 9th.

Executive Session: none

Adjournment: Trustees Ortiz and Johnson made the motions to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. Time: 7:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen N. Minnis
Village Clerk