

Minutes of a **REGULAR MEETING** of the
PRESIDENT and BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Village of Evergreen Park, Cook County, IL
Monday, July 16, 2012

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor Sexton in the second floor Council Chambers of the Village Hall.

ROLL CALL Clerk Aparo was asked to call the roll with the following results:

Physically Present:

Mayor James Sexton
Trustee Carol Kyle
Trustee Mark Marzullo
Trustee James McQuillan
Trustee Mary Keane
Trustee Jerome Bosch
Trustee Mark Phelan

Also present were Village Attorney Vincent Cainkar and Village Engineer Tim Klass and Village Treasurer John Sawyers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Marzullo.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

The Chair made the following announcements:

1. The Chair corrected a statement he made at a previous Board meeting when he stated EP Pensions were 90% funded; the correct figure is 86% funded; compared to the State and County at 40%. Treasurer, Sawyers noted that includes all three pensions funds together are at 86%, the Police pension is 90% funded.
2. The Chair noted Cook County released figures of a \$267 million shortfall of funds. He added the State of Illinois recently discovered over 420 inmates collecting unemployment compensation.
3. Thanks Mr. Dennis Duffy and all Village Departments who helped make the 2012 parade and fireworks a most successful event.
4. State Rep. Kelly Burke will give a legislative update on Tuesday, August 7, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. at the next Village Board Meeting.
5. Movies in the Park continue on Thursday, July 26, 2011 at Duffy Park; with "The Ant Bully," the next movie is Friday,

August 17, 2012 “Back to the Future” and Friday September 14, “Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein.”

6. Recycling totes are being delivered to the residents. The Chair asked for everyone to have patience with the new program and stated problems will be taken on an individual basis. The new program preserves landfills, causes less issues with rodents and enabled the Village to save money on a long term contract with Land and Lakes Scavenger Service.
7. The Farmers Market continues each Thursday from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm until October 26, 2012.
8. Everyone is encouraged to attend the EP Chamber of Commerce annual Golf Outing at Fountain Hills GC in Alsip, on Friday, August 3, 2012. Call Helen Cuprisin or the Chamber for more info 423-1118.

**OPEN PUBLIC
AUDIENCE**

Mr. Chris Clare, 9753 S. Springfield, distributed a four page report to the Board from the recent Patch.com forum regarding the Evergreen Plaza redevelopment. Renita Young, Patch.com Editor, thanked the residents for their input and the Board for their willingness to listen. The Chair stated the Village does not own the Plaza and the Village appreciates the ideas presented but the developer GMX has the final say for the development. The Chair added he found the mixed use idea intriguing. He also noted he is here six days a week and encourages ideas/discussion from our residents.

Mrs. Lenza, 9336 Spaulding and Mrs. Cochi, 9332 Spaulding reported a recent issue with rodents in their area. They commended Inspector Layhe and Animal Control Officer Sue Pastik for their quick response. They stated they caught nine rats in three days. The Chair promised he will be there tomorrow morning with the Village Inspectors, the Health Officers and Anderson Pest Control which baits the alleys. He noted a similar problem in the northeast quadrant a few years ago and inspections revealed standing water, overgrown alleys, improperly stored vehicles, abandoned boats, rotted sheds and structurally weak garages. The Chair noted a concentrated effort was made then and that situation was resolved and this will be rectified, too.

Mr. Tom Cosmos and Tom Cosmos Jr., 9500 S. Troy stated their alley at 95/97th & Troy has been graded too high causing waters in the garages. They presented pictures to the Chair. The Chair noted there will be an announcement coming soon regarding the development of that area. He noted the alley is scheduled to be

paved soon in conjunction with the new development by Chase Bank.

Mr. Dale Alexander, 9330 Spaulding complained about the flooding in the alleys and the overgrowth in his alley and suggested the Village follow the City of Chicago's green initiative using porous asphalt in the alleys. The Chair asked everyone to step up and help keep their portion of the alley clean and help their neighbors clean their areas. He added the City assessed everyone to do the alley paving.

Mr. Erik Olson, 9314 S. Spaulding, stated his alley is graded too high and residents cannot use the garages, and the alley becomes a nonfunctional alley. He is concerned that due to the lack of street parking for many residents without driveways the new front pick up will cause problems especially with three or four containers per household on the street. Mr. Olson stated the village has to get to the root issue of the alleys and stop grading over the ruts. The Chair responded the garbage trucks cause a lot of the deep ruts and pot holes in the alleys and we fill the ruts as requested by the residents.

Steven Duffy, 8834 S. California, spoke from the audience on behalf of the recent Cancer Relay for Life event. He thanked the Chair and the Board for their continued help and also the Evergreen Park restaurants which donated gift certificates. EP restaurants Chi-Tung, Barraco's and Durbin's provided food for the survivors lunch and Pizza Man, Cavatappi, Wojo's, Chi-Tung, Golden Griddle, Snackville Junction, Roseangelas and J's Bistro, provided gift certificates which raised \$164.00 in sales. He also thanked the (2) Farmer's from the Farmer's Market who supplied watermelons for the contest.

Mr. Bob Simutis, 9300 S. Spaulding, stated he lives in close proximity to the Bliss Warehouse facility; he added he is retired and would like to sleep in but deliveries of stone, dirt and salt are made at 6:45 a.m. and then the PW Departments fill their trucks at 7:00 a.m. He asked if the delivery time be changed to later in the day. The Chair directed PW Director Lorenz to see if a later delivery time is possible.

**REGULAR
AGENDA**

Motion by Trustee Kyle second by Trustee Marzullo to waive the reading of the minutes of the July 2, 2012 Regular Board Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees as presented and passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

RESOLUTION

NO. 18-2012

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee McQuillan, to approve **Resolution NO. 18-2012** with expenditures of the General Corporate Fund of \$ 237,779.22 and the Sewer and Water Fund in the amount of \$ 38,456.44 and the 95th Street TIF Fund, \$12,577.60 and the Capital Improvement Fund \$ 71.16 and the Street Bond Fund, \$21,000.00 for a total of \$309,884.42. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Kyle, Marzullo, McQuillan, Keane, Bosch and Phelan; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**BUSINESS
CERTIFICATES**

Motion by Trustee Marzullo second by Trustee Kyle to approve the business license application for Investors **US LLC, DBA PIZZA HUT** to operate a carry out only located at 2849 W. 95th Street. A brief discussion took place regarding the parking for employees and possibly four (4) delivery vehicles. The Chair noted a “Famous Dave’s” will also be in that strip and cooperation from all the businesses will be needed to avoid parking issues. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Marzullo, McQuillan, Kean, Bosch, Phelan and Kyle; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Marzullo to table the application for **Weight Loss, Inc.**, proposed site, 9500 S. Avers, Suite 1 & 2 until Mr. White submits requested documentation to Mayor Sexton. After a lengthy discussion between the petitioner, Mr. Dewon White and the Board; Mr. White stated his business is one on one consultation for physical fitness, weight loss and self - defense. The Board was concerned that Mr. White will have more than one on one clients and it can turn into a class which would make this a health club and that use is not allowed per our parking requirements.

The Chair noted parking issues already exist at this building and the number of clients he will have at one time is very important. Mr. White could not define the number of clients he would have in the suites at one time and was unclear on set business hours.

The Chair requested a written business plan, assurances of the maximum number of clients in the suites at one time and clarification on business hours due to the proximity to residential homes. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees McQuillan, Kean, Bosch, Phelan, Kyle and Marzullo; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**LIBRARY
OKTOBERFEST**

Motion by Trustee Kyle second by Trustee Keane to approve the request from the Evergreen Park Public Library to host an

Oktoberfest at the Activity Center, from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 22, 2012. The Chair will follow up with Library Director Nicki Seidl for liquor license information. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Kean, Bosch, Phelan, Kyle, Marzullo and McQuillan; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**CHANGE of BOARD
MEETING DATE**

Motion by Trustee Marzullo second by Trustee Phelan to approve the Mayor's request to change the next Board Meeting to Tuesday, August 7, 2012. The Chair noted he has a charitable event to attend on Monday August 6, 2012 and appreciates the Board's cooperation. Trustee Marzullo noted the Chair has never missed a Board meeting during his tenure as Mayor. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Bosch, Phelan, Kyle, Marzullo, McQuillan and Keane; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**ENGINEER'S
REPORT**

Engineer Klass reported the road program is finished and he is working on small punch list items and some replacement sod issues. Trustee Marzullo inquired if the Village is has additional water restrictions due to the severe drought; the Chair noted no just the usual water hours 7 am- 11 am and 1 pm to 11 pm.

**ATTORNEY'S
REPORT**

The Attorney had no report.

BIDS

NONE.

MISC.

NONE.

**ADJOURNMENT
TO EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

With nothing further to come before this meeting, motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Bosch that this Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of pending litigation. Upon roll call voting YES: Trustees Bosch, Phelan, Kyle, Marzullo, McQuillan and Keane; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair at 8:10 P.M.

Catherine T. Aparo, CMC, Village Clerk