

Minutes of a **REGULAR MEETING** of the
PRESIDENT and BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Village of Evergreen Park, Cook County, IL
Monday, December 16, 2013

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 Daniel McKeown
Trustee Mark Phelan

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee McQuillan.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

The Chair made the following announcements:

1. The Chair gave an update on Village meter replacement program. He commended Sewer and Water Director Mike Knieps and staff on a smooth transition. There are 6500 village meters and 1,000 have been replaced. Metals from old meters are being recycled with for monies returned to the Village.
2. The Village Hall will be closed on Tuesday December 24 and Wednesday, Christmas Day December 25, 2013 normal hours resume Thursday December 26, 2013 from 9 am to 5 pm.
3. The Village Hall will be closed on Tuesday New Year's Eve December 31, 2013 and New Year's Day, January 1, 2014 with normal hours resuming Thursday, January 2, 2014 from 9 am to 5 pm.
4. Santa visits are still available through Christmas Eve. Contact the Recreation Dept. for information.

5. There will be a public hearing on Monday, January 6, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Village Hall to discuss/approval of the appropriation ordinance for fiscal year beginning November 1, 2013 and ending October 31, 2014.
6. EP Ice Rink is open and available for private parties. Contact the Recreation Department for hours and availability.
7. The Chair commended Sgt. McKeown, Officer Ostrowski and Detective Jack Murphy for their outstanding police work.
8. Trustee Mary Keane presented Mrs. Marge Nykaza, founder and director of Harmony, Hope and healing a check in the amount of \$1,600 proceeds from the annual village car show. Mrs. Nykaza thanked the Mayor and the Board for their generosity. She presented the Board with a cd of the music therapy which supports 700 people including under-served women, children and men in the Chicago area. The audience gave her a hearty round of applause. The Chair added if anyone is interested in donating contact the Village Hall.

**OPEN
PUBLIC**

NONE.

**REGULAR
AGENDA**

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Kyle to waive the reading of the minutes of the December 2, 2013 Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees approved as presented were passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

**RESOLUTION
NO. 4-2014**

Motion by Trustee McKeown second by Trustee Keane, to approve **Resolution NO. 4-2014** with expenditures of the General Corporate Fund of \$ 279,203.08 and the Sewer and Water Fund in the amount of \$ 281,751.80 and the 95th Street TIF Fund, \$ 31, 367.63 and the Capital Improvement Fund, \$ 44,994.92 and the Street Bond Fund, \$22,000.00 for a total of \$ 659,317.43. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Kyle, Marzullo, McQuillan, Keane, McKeown and Phelan; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**WATER COLLECTOR'S
REPORT**

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Marzullo to accept the Water Collector's report for November 2013 in the amount of \$ 477,281.56. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

**TREASURER'S
REPORT**

Motion by Trustee Marzullo second by Trustee McQuillan to approve the Village Treasurer's report for November 2013 with totals of \$ 5,138,737.73 in the General Fund and \$ 2,609,477.48 in the Sewer and Water Fund. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

**BUSINESS
LICENSES**

NONE.

**ORDINANCE
NO. 31-2013**

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Keane to approve **ORDINANCE NO. 31-2013**, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-56, LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS, OF CHAPTER 3, ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR, OF THE EVERGREEN PARK MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO PERMITTED OPERATION OF CLASS C LICENSES." The Chair added this new designation allows for samplings and tastings on premises for Meijer's Mariano's and Binny's. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Marzullo, McQuillan, Keane, McKeown, Phelan and Kyle; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**ORDINANCE
NO. 32-2013**

Motion by Trustee McKeown second by Trustee Kyle to approve **ORDINANCE NO. 32-2013**, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 24-127, WATER RATES, OF CHAPTER 24, WATER, SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL, OF THE EVERGREEN PARK MUNICIPAL CODE BY CHANGING THE RATE FOR WATER PURCHASED." The Chair noted this is a 15% increase from the City of Chicago increasing .43 cents increasing the cost to \$3.31 per 1,000 gallons. The Chair explained there is one more year of increases at 15% in 2014. This increase from the City of Chicago will total 90% increases over the past four years. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees McQuillan, Keane, McKeown, Phelan, Kyle and Marzullo; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**NEW PD
PROBATIONARY
OFFICER**

The Chair noted the new position of Probationary Police Officer, which was approved at a prior meeting, has been filled by Andrew Pratt. NO BOARD ACTION REQUIRED.

**RESOLUTION
NO. 7-2013**

Motion by Trustee McQuillan second by Trustee Phelan to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 7-2013**, "A RESOLUTION

AMENDING A CODE SECTION 125 PLAN TO ALLOW PARTICIPANTS TO CARRY OVER UP TO FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS OF UNUSED HEALTH FAS AMOUNTS AT THE END OF THE PLAN YEAR. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Keane, McKeown, Phelan, Kyle, Marzullo and McQuillan; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer Tim Klass stated he had no report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

NONE.

BIDS

Motion by Trustee Kyle second by Trustee Marzullo to approve the request from Public Works Director Lorenz to solicit bids for the grass cutting at various parks in the Village. Trustee Phelan expressed concerns noting the PW Department does a fine job of maintaining village parks and a private contractor may not do as good a job. The Chair noted an additional eighty (80) acres have been added to this job. PW Director Lorenz stated this is strictly grass cutting and the St. Dept. has other projects to complete at the parks. A brief discussion took place. Trustee McQuillan requested the bid include single bids and also a total bid as a package. Trustee Kyle noted all the parks look great. Upon roll call voting YES: Trustees McKeown, Kyle, Marzullo, McQuillan and Keane; voting NO: Trustee Phelan. The Motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

MISC.

The Chair noted payouts to United Meters in the amount of \$74,004.48 for replacement meter work. Payout to Novotny & Associates for \$ 83,512.76 for engineering costs.

The Chair requested Board approval to direct the Village attorney to proceed with legal documents/ contracts for the purchase (from TIF funds) of the 2955 W. 95th Street, the former Hornburg- Klein property. Upon roll call voting YES: Trustees Phelan, Kyle, Marzullo, McQuillan, Keane and McKeown; voting NO: NONE. The Motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**POLICE DEPT
COMMENDATION**

The Chair noted a very nice letter from Supt. Robert Macheck for the recent safety inspection at the Central School. Police Chief Saunders noted they are also working with Dr. Beth Harte, from Evergreen Park High School.

**MEDICAL
CANNABIS
DISPENSARIES**

The Chair noted the State of Illinois has passed a law for Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program effective on January 1, 2014. The Chair stated the attorney will forward information to the Board as it becomes available regarding the location of the dispensaries. NO ACTION TAKEN.

CSX UPDATE

Trustee Marzullo questioned recent issues with the CSX railroad. The Chair responded there have been delays, gate problems and a myriad of other problems. The Chair stated the Illinois Supreme Court ruled municipalities have no jurisdiction over the railroad. The Chair directed the attorney to see if it is possible to seek charges against individuals for delaying traffic and creating hazards. The Chair expressed his concerns for emergency responses and added retailers are losing business and everyone is losing patience with this situation.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to come before this meeting, motion by Trustee McKeown second by Trustee Kyle that this Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees adjourn. The Chair wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a healthy, happy New Year. Upon roll call voting YES: Trustee Kyle, Marzullo, McQuillan, Keane, McKeown and Phelan; voting NO: None. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair at 8:05 P.M.

Catherine T. Aparo, CMC, Village Clerk