

Minutes of a **REGULAR MEETING** of the
PRESIDENT and BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Village of Evergreen Park, Cook County, IL
Monday, March 16, 2015

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 Mark Phelan
Trustee Daniel McKeown

Also present were Village Attorney Vincent Cainkar and Village Engineer Tim Klass. Village Treasurer John Sawyers was absent with notice.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Keane and Brownie Troop 51143. Troop Leader Meg Burke explained the troop wanted to say thank you to the Evergreen Park Police Department. They decorated trees on 91st Street from Homan Avenue to Kedzie; they made cards and a collage and presented the gifts to Deputy Police Chief John Eisenbeis, Officers Phillips, Ward and Sgt. Trujillo. Trustee McQuillan Chairman of the Public Safety Commission joined the group. The audience gave the Brownies and the Police Officers a hearty round of applause.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

The Chair made the following announcements:

1. The Chair wished former Village Trustee and audience member, Anthony "Tony" Yukich a happy 98th Birthday. Mr. Yukich thanked the Mayor, the Board and everyone for their well wishes. The Chair also extended birthday wishes to Trustee Mary Keane. The audience and the Board applauded both birthday recipients.
2. Waste Management will begin pick up of green yard containers beginning on Monday, March 30, 2015.
3. The Fraternal Order of Police, EP Lodge # 27, will host a Fish and Sports Show on Friday, March 20, at Bourbon Street. Tickets are available at the Village Hall and the Police Station.
4. The Lions Club will host a pancake breakfast on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at the Evergreen Park High School from 7 am to noon. Adults \$5.00 and children under 12 are \$2.00.

5. St. Bernadette Parish will host a ST. Pat/St. Joe Party on Saturday, March 21, 2015 in O'Brien Hall at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$20.00 in advance at \$25.00 at the door. Contact Linda McGinnis for information.
6. Earth Hour is Saturday, March 28, 2015 at 8:30 p.m.- 9:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to shut off lights and conserve electricity.
7. Com Ed will begin to replace old meters with the highly efficient new smart meters in May. They will be contacting owners and do not require entry if you have an outside electrical meter.
8. Serenity Family outreach is hosting a concert by Katie Quick on Sunday, March 22, 2015 from noon to 2:30 p.m. for a drug free future.
9. The Chair addressed a recent post from the independent candidate for Trustee stating the Village Clerk did not hold a lottery for ballot position. The Chair stated the Clerk acted according to the law and no lottery was required. He cited the Illinois Election Code which determines the order of candidates in an election, not the Clerk. Section 5.16-3 states "Independent candidates are listed after new/established parties." The Chair thanked Clerk Aparo for her dedication and honesty. He commended her status as a Master Municipal Clerk adding less than 5% of all Village/City Clerks hold a Master Clerk designation. The Chair added the candidate asks for more transparency and honesty in Village government. The Chair noted if there were truly issues regarding honesty and transparency in our Village government the candidate should contact the State's Attorney's office or the Attorney General of Illinois.

OPEN PUBLIC AUDIENCE

Mrs. Helen Cuprisin, 9322 S. Homan requested more shredded asphalt and grading in her alley. The Chair directed PW Director Lorenz to meet with Mrs. Cuprisin and resolve this issue.

REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee McQuillan to waive the reading of the minutes of the March 2, 2015 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. 10-2015

Motion by Trustee McKeown second by Trustee Keane, to approve **Resolution NO. 10-2015** with expenditures of the General Corporate Fund of \$ 428,421.31 and the Sewer and Water Fund in the amount of \$ 25,041.94 and the 95th Street TIF Fund, \$ 158,530.74 and the Capital Improvement Fund \$3,457.25 and the Self Insurance Fund \$ 490.00 and the Street Bond Fund \$ 44,250.00 for a total of \$ 657,091.24 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.

VILLAGE TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Kyle to approve the Village Treasurer's report for February 2015 for information and file in the amount of \$ 4,362,352.51 in the General Fund; \$ 2,385,499.01 in

the Sewer and Water Fund. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

**BUSINESS
CERTIFICATES**

Motion by Trustee Kyle second by Trustee Marzullo to approve the business license application for **Play N Trade Video Games** to conduct a retail video game shop located at 2847 W. 95th Street. 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.

The Chair noted there is a change in the corporate name at King's Wok. No action from the Board required; for information Only.

**RESOLUTION
NO. 3-2015**

Motion by Trustee McQuillan second by Trustee Phelan to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 3-2015 'A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF EVERGREEN PARK APPROVING A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE 2015 COOK COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK PRGRAM.'** The Chair stated a change in the law dictates public hearings are no longer required. He added the funds are \$ 257,300 to be used for Sewer Lining Program. 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.

**MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING
(MOU) EVERGREEN PLAZA**

The Chair stated we are one step closer to a new Evergreen Plaza. He introduced Mr. Jay Adams from the DeBartolo Group. Jay introduced Ms. Keely Polczynski of CB Ellis and Mr. Daniel Stern of Lormax Stern. They presented artist renditions of the proposed redevelopment of the former Evergreen Plaza. Mr. Stern noted his company has completed at least 10 or 11 other properties that were formerly "dead malls". He added these malls have been transformed into thriving retail destinations.

Mr. Stern stated the entire complex will be demolished with the exception of Applebee's and Planet Fitness. The group noted possible retailers may include Dick's Sporting Goods, ULTA, TJ Max, Whole Foods and themed restaurants for casual dining. Carson's has a new CEO and it is possible that a new store will be built on this site.

The Chair added this MOU is good for 45 days in contrast to the former MOU which had a six month expiration. He stated the new complex will add sales tax dollars and real estate tax dollars including 76% to local schools and 13% to the Village. The Chair thanked the presenters and noted this redevelopment will make a statement for the entire Southside. Trustee Phelan thanked the Chair and the entire Board of Trustees for their unwavering dedication to this endeavor.

Motion by Trustee Marzullo second by Trustee Keane to approve the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the redevelopment of the Evergreen Plaza, Evergreen Park, Illinois between the Village of Evergreen Park, Cook County, Illinois and UP Development Company, LLC. 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.

EVERGREEN PARK HOMECOMING

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Marzullo to approve the request from Evergreen Park High School for the annual Homecoming Parade and festivities on Friday, September 18, 2015. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees McKeown, Phelan, Kyle, Marzullo, McQuillan; and Keane, voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Tim Klass had no report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Cainkar had no report.

BIDS POLICE DEPT. VEHICLE

Motion by Trustee Kyle second by Trustee Phelan to approve the request from Police Chief Saunders to purchase a 2015 Ford Expedition for the Community Service vehicle from Landmark Ford of Springfield for \$27,603.00 in accordance with the Illinois State Contract. 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.

CHRISTY WEBBER LANDSCAPE CONTRACT

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee McQuillan to approve the PW Director Bill Lorenz's request to award the 2015 Landscape and Right of Way Maintenance to Christy Webber. They were the company to bid for this project. The cost is \$39,182.50. The Chair noted the price is actually lower than last year's bid. 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.

BARN PROJECT

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee McQuillan to approve the PW Director's request to solicit bids for the new barn project located at the Park at 91st & California. The Village will act as the General Contractor for site work and allow the Mayor to approve disbursements

as needed. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Marzullo, McQuillan, Keane, McKeown, Phelan and Kyle; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed as so ordered by the Chair.

MISC.

ADJOURNMENT With nothing further to come before this meeting, motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee McKeown that this Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees adjourn. 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 at 8:10 P.M.

Catherine T. Aparo, MMC, Village Clerk