

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HILLSIDE HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, 425 HILLSIDE AVENUE, HILLSIDE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ON MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Deputy Clerk Noreen L. Thermos. Board members and those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The following members responded as present at roll call:

Mayor	- Joseph T. Tamburino
Deputy Clerk	- Noreen L. Thermos
Trustees	- Lytton H. Andersen
	- Frank J. Lomeli, Sr.
	- David V. Delgado
	- John N. Kramer
	- Valerie J. Farries
	- Marvin A. Watson
Absent	- Clerk Linda L. Gould

Also present were: Russell Wajda, Village Administrator; John T. Flood, Treasurer, Assistant Administrator; Joseph Lukaszek, Police Chief; Jeffrey Pilz, Fire Chief; Joseph Pisano, Public Works Director; Patrick Deady, Village Attorney; Matthew Buerger, K-Plus Engineering; Carlo Viscioni, Residents, James Heffernan, Robert Fjeldheim, Jr.; and Roger Romanelli.

**TOWN HALL MEETING:**

Mayor Tamburino opened the Town Hall section of the meeting.

Resident, James Heffernan, asked when is he to expect new sidewalks through the 50/50 sidewalk program. Joe Pisano explained the two contractors we were using backed out, and we just hired another to complete the work.

He also complained there are no street lights on his block, and it is very dark. The Mayor said we will contact ComEd and explained the process. Many times lights are not installed because people do not want the light in front of their house.

Resident, Robert Fjeldheim, Jr., complained about the neighbor's high grass at 337 N. Jackson. The Mayor explained the process, and Joe Pisano said the resident was notified, and it will be taken care of tomorrow.

Resident Roger Romanelli, started off by thanking the Village for their response with Mr. Fjeldheim's request, and suggested traps from the racoons and skunks in the weeds by the Village.

He wants volunteers for Mr. Fjeldheim to install a fence, and asked if the Village would help delineate the property lines. The Mayor suggested he get a Plat of Survey.

Mr. Romanelli requested use of the Community Center on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to talk about safety issues. Mayor Tamburino asked he submit a written request. Mr. Romanelli then asked if we had a policy for the Community Center usage. Mayor Tamburino replied yes, and Mr. Romanelli requested a copy.

Mr. Romanelli said he was still waiting for a response about Police Chief Lukaszek visiting his home January 25<sup>th</sup> wanting to give him a ticket for not catching the license plates of a speeding car that he had just reported.

Mayor Tamburino responded with the fact that maybe the Chief came to his house because in the past 12 months, Mr. Romanelli called the Dispatch Center 315 times. He called on speeding cars, loud music, trash can lids open on garbage cans. He explained that some of his calls are not emergency police calls or crimes, but should be directed to code enforcement.

Mayor Tamburino asked if anyone else would like to address the Board. Hillside Police Sgt. Carlo Viscioni responded he would. He said in all his 28 years here, he has never seen such harassment given the police. Mr. Romanelli kept interrupting Sgt. Viscioni asking if he talking about him. Mayor Tamburino told Mr. Romanelli that Sgt. Viscioni had the floor, and if he kept interrupting, he will have him removed.

Sgt. Viscioni explained some of the calls for broken glass on sidewalks, garbage can lids left open, and garbage can lids being lifted by cardboard boxes not being pushed down are not crimes. There are departments that can address these issues.

Resident Ray Chase commended both Hillside Fire and Police Chiefs as being courteous and professional. During the Hillside floods, Chief Lukaszek personally helped rescue his mother from the flooding with his personal municipal vehicle. He has no problem with people questioning authority, but don't be pig-headed about it. If you have a problem, try to resolve it, and don't harass, it just causes more problems.

The Mayor stated that the weeds and sidewalk issues will be on the Board of a Whole Meeting in September.

As there were no further comments from the floor, Mayor Tamburino entertained a motion to close the Town Hall Meeting.

So moved by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Farries.  
All voting aye, motion carried.

The Mayor then brought up that at the Regular Board Meeting in August where he was not in attendance, a resident brought up that she was concerned that when somebody comes to a meeting to complain or brings up an issue, that we would retaliate. He reassured everyone that has never been nor ever will be the case. He will not allow it to happen, and if it ever does, he wants to know about it. His phone number is always available.

He also talked about the issue of a resident wanting speed bumps in the Oak Ridge section. We cannot install speed bumps unless we are willing to assume 100% liability, and we cannot afford to do that.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mayor Tamburino entertained a motion that there being no additions or corrections to the minutes for Regular Meeting of July 24, 2017, the minutes be accepted and approved.

So moved by Trustee Delgado, seconded by Trustee Kramer.  
All voting aye, motion carried.

**VILLAGE CLERK:**

Deputy Clerk Thermos presented the Consent Agenda.

All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered a part of the Board Member's committee business.

Illinois Department of Revenue: Sales tax returns for month of June, 2017, in the amount of \$408,274.07. Amount received for June, 2016, in the amount of \$376,140.73.

Illinois Department of Transportation: Motor Fuel Tax allotment for the month of July, 2017, in the amount of \$18,854.91.

Approval of gross payroll for periods July 22 through August 4, 2017, in the amount of \$274,593.79, and August 5 through August 18, 2017, in the amount of \$278,168.99.

Payment of bills for the month of August, 2017, in the amount of \$807,612.34.

Com Ed: Utility tax for the month of May, 2017, in the amount of \$27,505.44.

NiCor Gas: Utility Tax for the month of June, 2017, in the amount of \$4,864.15.

Excise Tax for the month of June, 2017, in the amount of \$24,604.86.

Code Enforcement Officer's Reports (July, 2017).

Police Department Report (July, 2017).

Fire Department Report (July, 2017).

E.M.A. Report (July, 2017).

Public Works Department Report (July, 2017).

Building Inspector's Report (July, 2017).

Social Services Report (July, 2017).

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Kramer, to accept and approve Consent Agenda.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Andersen, Lomeli, Delgado,  
Kramer, Farries, Watson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried

**DEPARTMENT HEAD OPERATING REPORTS:**

Treasurer/Director of Economic Development: (John Flood)

No report

Police Chief: (Joseph Lukaszek)

Chief Lukaszek reported the Citizen's Police Academy will be starting September 14, 2017.

Fire Chief: (Jeffrey Pilz)

No report.

Public Works and Building Services Director: (Joseph Pisano)

Joseph Pisano reported the Nicor Project is about finished from low pressure to high pressure gas mains. The restoration is about complete. There are 20 homes they have not yet been able to complete.

He also reported the other project Butterfield to Broadview high pressure gas main installed, still some to complete along with the restorations. Should all be completed in about three weeks.

Trustee Kramer asked if we are checking the restoration work. Joe Pisano replied that after three times of watering by contractor, the homeowner is then responsible to water their grass.

Trustee Delgado commended Nicor for a job well done, and their professionalism with tips for sealing up ones house and making it a safer place.

The Mayor stated he too is very pleased with the work they've done.

**VILLAGE ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

No report

**VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Administrator Wajda reported on the revenue reductions to the Village, based on the State of Illinois Budget. The State changed the 1% sales tax collection for Home Rule Communities which will now have a 2% service fee, amounting to approximately \$31,000 based on last year's figures.

He also reported the LGDF Funds will have a 10% reduction, amounting to approximately \$101,000.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance and Administration Committee: (Trustee Kramer)

Motion made by Trustee Kramer, seconded by Trustee Delgado, to approve 2017-2018 membership dues for West Central Municipal Conference (WCMC), for the amount of \$9,036.73.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Andersen, Lomeli, Delgado,  
Kramer, Farries, Watson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried

Public Services Committee: (Trustee Andersen)

Motion made by Trustee Andersen, seconded by Trustee Kramer, to approve Brother's Asphalt Paving, Inc., 3115 Stewart Avenue, Addison, IL 60101, in the amount of \$369,329.83, as the lowest bid for the 2017 Street Resurfacing Project. Work will include the resurfacing of Iroquois, Clayton, High Ridge, Buckthorn, 51<sup>st</sup>, and 50<sup>th</sup> from Butterfield Road to the Illinois Prairie Path.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Andersen, Lomeli, Delgado,  
Kramer, Farries, Watson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried

Trustee Andersen reported on a letter received from Hillside resident, Robert C. Green, thanking Leonard Belmonte for his prompt assistance handling a stressful situation for him.

Public Safety and Education Committee: (Trustee Watson)

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Kramer, to approve purchase of power cot for Ambulance 400, from Foster Coach Sales, 903 Prosperity Drive Street, Sterling, IL 61081, for the amount of \$52,016.00.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Andersen, Lomeli, Delgado,  
Kramer, Farries, Watson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried

Trustee Watson reported next Community Awareness Meeting is Wednesday, August 30, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

Zoning Committee: (Trustee Lomeli)

No Report

Technology Committee: (Trustee Delgado)

Motion made by Trustee Delgado, seconded by Trustee Andersen, to approve payment of \$14,755.00 to Xtivity Solutions, LLC, 655 W. Grand Avenue, Suite 300, Elmhurst, IL 60126, to install security cameras at the Hillside Commons, and authorizing Village Administrator to sign and execute same.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Andersen, Lomeli, Delgado,  
Kramer, Farries, Watson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried

Community Services Committee: (Trustee Farries)

Motion made by Trustee Farries, seconded by Trustee Kramer, to approve bid by Innovation Landscape, Inc., P.O. Box 505, Plainfield, IL 60544, for \$237,967.72 (base bid including alternates), for the purchase and installation of new playground equipment in the Hillside Commons.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Andersen, Lomeli, Delgado,  
Kramer, Farries, Watson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried

Trustee Farries reported on the Summer Nights in Hillside. Mayor Tamburino commended Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works, Evelyn Belmonte and all involved with the success of all six nights.

She further reported on *JG's Reptile Road Show*, held Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT:**

Mayor Tamburino read Proclamation on National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month.

Mayor Tamburino told the residents to feel free to call the Police Department with any drug or alcohol problems so they can be referred to agencies for help.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Next Board-of-a-Whole Meeting to be held at 7:30 P.M. on Monday, September 11, 2017, in the Board Room of the Municipal Complex, 425 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, IL, 60162.

As there was no further business before the Board, Mayor Tamburino entertained a motion to adjourn.

So moved by Trustee Andersen, seconded by Trustee Kramer.  
All voting aye, motion carried.

Adjournment: 8:09 P.M.

  
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Noreen L. Thermos  
Deputy Clerk