

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD-OF-A-WHOLE 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, JANUARY 9, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor Joseph T. Tamburino. The following members responded as present at roll call:

Mayor	- Joseph T. Tamburino
Clerk	- Linda L. Gould
Trustees	- Herman L. Walter, Jr.
	- Frank J. Lomeli, Sr.
	- John N. Kramer
	- Claudell Johnson
	- Marvin A. Watson
Absent	- Trustee David V. Delgado

Also present were: Joseph Pisano, Village Administrator; Laith Ibrahim, Deputy Police Chief; Ryan Wyckoff, Fire Captain; Patrick Deady, Village Attorney; John Nelson, Village Engineer; Joseph Beckwith, Assistant Administrator, Communications and Technology Director; Sandy Lozano, Village Treasurer; Anthony Faragia, EMA Director, Janet Dubsky, Bill O'Connor, Chris Derby, Julio Aguirre, Roger Romanelli, residents

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Tamburino opened the Public Comment section of the meeting.

Chris Derby, 4338 Warren, owner of several rental properties on Warren Avenue states there is a stormwater drain that needs some attention and he is not sure who maintains the drain. He is also asking for improved lighting in the back of some of the buildings. He would help pay for some of the electricity. Mr. Derby said he will be at the buildings all week if anyone wants to stop by and talk with him. He also said he is noticing increased truck traffic where the kids get picked up from the school.

Mayor Tamburino asked Mr. Derby if he has ever called Public Works about the stormwater drain. He couldn't say. Mayor Tamburino continued saying a plan is being looked at to deal with traffic flow and enhance the area. Mayor Tamburino also said he will call Mr. Derby and to discuss paving the alley. He is looking at widening the entry on Butterfield Road to Litt Drive to be able to get the trucks in and out.

Julio Aguirre, 752 Rhode, feels Hillside Lumber is breaking the law by parking illegally. School buses go down the street and the trucks should find a different route. He also said he doesn't feel that Hillside Lumber should get a tax cut. He thinks it is bad business when companies say they will leave if they don't get a tax cut.

Roger Romanelli, 4406 Madison, said he has been in contact with Cook County Commissioner Brandon Johnson regarding the Hillside Lumber property tax cut. He continued saying that Commissioner Johnson has asked him to request to meet with the village officials, himself and the residents to discuss this issue.

Mr. Romanelli said he personally feels it is time for the Village Council to withdraw their support for this property tax cut. He said the property is not eligible for the Property Tax Relief Program and said their application is not complete. Mr. Romanelli said he agrees with Mr. Aguirre that companies should not threaten to leave the village if they don't get a tax cut.

Mayor Tamburino said he was meeting with Commissioner Johnson in the morning and the Commissioner does cover a small part of Hillside. He is also a candidate for Mayor of Chicago.

Mayor Tamburino said Hillside Lumber is a specialty company that has been here for a number of years and provides a significant amount of sales tax to the Village. He said he has no problem talking with them about the concerns.

Administrator Pisano added Hillside Lumber came to the Village Hall with plans to expand within their two buildings and to pave the parking lot. They have made commitments to be better neighbors.

Mayor Tamburino said the only people to ever complain to him about Hillside Lumber have been Mr. Aguirre, Mr. Romanelli and Mr. Frias. Mr. Romanelli responded and was told to sit down, his time was up.

Mayor Tamburino said he is willing to talk with anyone about any problem or business in Hillside.

As there were no further comments, Mayor Tamburino entertained a motion to close the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

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

**VILLAGE CLERK:**

Clerk Gould reported the Village Offices will be closed Saturday, January 14 and Monday, January 16, 2023, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

Mayor Tamburino reported the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Breakfast will be at the Sheet Metal Workers' Local 73 Hall.

Mayor Tamburino also extended the sympathy of the Board and the Village of Hillside to the family of Ginny O'Sullivan, a former Hillside resident and wife of former Village Clerk Patrick O'Sullivan. Ginny passed away last week. She was an outstanding member of our community for many years.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD OPERATING REPORTS:**

Police: (Chief Dan Murphy)

No report

Mayor Tamburino asked Chief Murphy how the body cam program was working?

Chief Murphy said the body cam program is working well. Discussion followed on how the body cams work. Chief Murphy continued, we also have license plate readers which let's us know if a vehicle is stolen, has a suspended license plate or a warrant out looking for someone associated with the vehicle.

He also reported the Police Department has been going through trainings for the new tasers. Tasers would be used as a last resort if a situation would get out of hand.

Mayor Tamburino said the Police and Fire Departments have been monitoring calls and see certain patterns exist which provide critical information. Certain situations need to be approached differently. We need to see how we can help people.

Fire Chief: (Chief Ken Carling)

Chief Carling reported he has given the Board a report on the Fire Department's call volume for the year. This report also give him the opportunity to start and develop any new programs within the Village. If anyone has any questions, please see him.

Public Works and Building Services Director: (Dave Peters)

No report

Assistant Administrator, Communications and Technology Director:  
(Joe Beckwith)

No report

**VILLAGE TREASURER:** (Sandy Lozano)

No report

**VILLAGE ENGINEER:** (John Nelson)

No report

**VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:** (Joe Pisano)

No report

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance and Administration Committee: (Trustee Walter)

Trustee Walter reported the following are to be on the agenda for action at the Regular Board Meeting of January 23, 2023.

- A. Approval of gross payroll for period December 17, through December 30, 2022, in the amount of \$348,262.16.
- B. Approval of bills for the month of January, 2023.

Public Services Committee: (Trustee Delgado)

Trustee Kramer reported the following to be on the agenda for action at the Regular Board Meeting of January 23, 2023.

- A. Approval of proposal in the amount of \$18,406.00 from Midwest Mechanical, 801 Parkview Boulevard, Lombard, IL 60148, for 2023 preventative maintenance agreement. This is an increase of \$679.00 from the 2022 preventative maintenance agreement.

- B. Approval of proposal in the amount of \$10,250.00 from Schindler Elevator Corporation, 500 Park Boulevard, Suite 750, Itasca, IL 60143 to replace the hydraulic fluid in the Village Hall elevator reservoir and properly dispose of old fluid.
- C. Approval of proposal in the amount not to exceed \$347,500.00 from Jensen & Halstead LTD., 820 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 850, Chicago, IL, 60607, for architectural and mechanical, electrical, plumbing design services associated with the renovation of the Village building located at 431 Hillside Avenue. The proposal includes design development, construction documents, bid documents, and construction administration for construction activities associated with library build-out, gymnasium build-out and multi-use space within the Community Campus Building. The expense is included within the current budget.

Public Safety and Education Committee: (Trustee Watson)

Trustee Watson reported Community Awareness Meeting is Wednesday January 25, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

Zoning Committee: (Trustee Lomeli)

Trustee Lomeli reminded a Public Hearing has been scheduled for January 11, 2023, at 7:30 P.M., in the Board Room, located at 425 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, IL 60162 to consider approval of the proposed North Mannheim Road Redevelopment Project TIF District located at 250 N. Mannheim Road. The proposed Project Area consists of 10 acres and encompasses two parcels (15-17-201-029-0000 and 15-17-201-030-0000) under the address of 250 N. Mannheim Road.

Trustee Lomeli reported on Tuesday January 17, 2023, starting at 7:00 P.M., the Public Hearing of December 6, 2022 will be reconvened before the Zoning Board of Appeals, of the Village of Hillside, acting as the Plan Commission pursuant to Article II, Section 62-31, in the Courtroom of the Municipal Complex, 425 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, Illinois. The reconvened Public Hearing is for the purpose of presenting a request by the landowner of the property commonly known as 101 N. Wolf Road, Hillside, Illinois, Newcastle Partners, LP, for approval of a Commercial Planned Unit Development.

Veteran's and Technology Committee: (Trustee Kramer)

Trustee Kramer reported the following to be on the agenda for action at the Regular Board Meeting of January 23, 2023.

- A. Approval of Sangoma Phone System purchased through VoIP Supply, 80 Pineview Drive, Amherst, NY 14228 in the amount of \$10,768.72 to replace failing village telephone system.
- B. Approval of License Plate Recognition Camera System from Vigilant Solutions, P.O. Box 841001, Dallas, Texas 75202 in the amount of \$22,295.00. This purchase has been budgeted.
- B. Approval of one year law enforcement policy manual annual subscription with Lexipol, LLC, 2611 Internet Blvd., Suite 100, Frisco, TX 75034, in the amount of \$8,491.45. This is an increase of \$1,741.75 from 2022.

Community Services Committee: (Trustee Johnson)

Trustee Johnson reminded the Village of Hillside and the Community Relations Commission will be hosting the 21st Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast, Monday, January 16, 2023, 8:30 a.m., at the Sheet Metal Workers' Local 73 Hall, 4550 Roosevelt Road, Hillside. No tickets may be purchased at the door.

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT:**

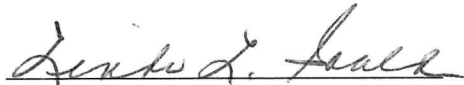
No report

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Tamburino announced the next Regular Meeting of the Village Board is scheduled for 7:30 P.M. Monday, January 23, 2023 in the Board Room of the Municipal Complex, 425 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, IL, 60162.

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

Adjournment: 8:16 P.M.

  
Linda L. Gould  
Clerk