

**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, AUGUST 9, 2021**

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.
	- David V. Delgado
	- John N. Kramer
	- Claudell Johnson
	- Marvin A. Watson
Absent	- Trustee Frank J. Lomeli, Sr.

Also present were: Joseph Pisano, Village Administrator; Joseph Lukaszek, Police Chief; Ken Carling, Fire Chief; Sandy Lozano, Treasurer; David Peters, Public Works and Building Services Director; Joseph Beckwith, 911 Director/IT Manager; John Nelson, Village Engineer; Ryan Wyckoff, newly appointed Fire Captain; Adam Kukulski, newly appointed Fire Lieutenant; members, family and friends of Hillside Fire and Police Departments; Roger Romanelli, Janet Dubsy, residents

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Tamburino opened the Public Comment section of the meeting.

Roger Romanelli, 4406 Madison, again complained about the 6B Tax Incentive requested by Hillside Lumber. He continued saying the Village codes are not being enforced because of political support from Hillside Lumber. He said they Mayor and Board are violating their Oath of Office to protect the people of Hillside.

He asked that the Mayor and the Trustees who are up for election, Delgado, Walter and Watson, to withdraw their support for the \$2,000,000.00 property tax reduction for Hillside Lumber.

Administrator Pisano replied by saying the facts are that the 6B Tax program is offered through Cook County and the Village writes a letter of recommendation to the County stating we believe this is a warranted avenue for the company to take for

company retention. Companies repeatedly ask for the Village to offer the 6B, either for company redevelopment or company retention.

Administrator Pisano continued, we know that Hillside Lumber is one of the top 10 revenue producers in the Village of Hillside. To retain them in Hillside, the Village Board decided the 6B would be warranted.

Administrator Pisano recently met with Hillside Lumber and they know their improvements go beyond what Romanelli stated. Hillside Lumber understands things need to be improved on site. They are happy in Hillside and would like to stay here. They could move less than a mile away for much lower taxes.

Mayor Tamburino said Hillside Lumber has been here for a number of years. It is important for us to retain them. Mayor Tamburino also said whatever businesses come into Hillside will not come in without a 6B.

Mr. Romanelli left the meeting at this time and did not stay to hear the following responses.

Mayor Tamburino said it is important for businesses to have the 6B. This Incentive attracts businesses to Hillside. Dynamic Manufacturing and Belden both came to Hillside because of the 6B Incentive. He then gave some history on Hillside Lumber. He continued saying the biggest part of this property tax reduction goes to the county. Mayor Tamburino also said the Board has always been willing to help our businesses do well, succeed and contribute a substantial revenue base.

Trustee Watson stated he will not withdraw his support to keep one of our biggest taxpayers in town. He still supports this 6B for them.

Trustee Delgado agreed and said he would not jeopardize one of our businesses in town. He will not withdraw his support.

Trustee Walter also agreed saying we need to do the best for our town to move forward. He will not withdraw his support.

Mayor Tamburino reported there was no political support from Hillside Lumber.

VILLAGE CLERK:

Clerk Gould administered the Oaths of Office to new Fire Captain, Ryan Wyckoff and new Fire Lieutenant, Adam Kukulski.

DEPARTMENT HEAD OPERATING REPORTS:

Police Chief: (Joseph Lukaszek)

No report

Fire Chief: (Ken Carling)

Chief Carling gave update on Covid numbers in Hillside area.

Public Works and Building Services Director: (David Peters)

No report

Village Treasurer: (Sandy Lozano)

No report

VILLAGE ENGINEER: (John Nelson)

No report

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: (Joseph Pisano)

No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Administration Committee: (Trustee Kramer)

Trustee Kramer reported the following are to be on the agenda for action at the Regular Board Meeting of August 23, 2021.

- A. Approval of gross payroll for period July 17 through July 30, 2021, in the amount of \$321,473.23.
- B. Approval of bills for the month of August, 2021.
- C. Approval of payment in the amount of \$6,843.98 to Villa Park Office Equipment, 1120 N. Villa Ave, Villa Park, IL 60181 to equip the old Dispatch Center for Police Department records.

Trustee Kramer requested that approval for the purchase of a Flag Retirement Box, to be located in the parking lot of the Village Hall, be purchased from American Security Cabinets, P.O. Box 177, Rogers, MN 55374 in the amount of \$1,878.00, also be on the agenda for action at the Regular Board Meeting of August 23, 2021.

Public Services Committee: (Trustee Walter)

Trustee Walter reported the following will be on the agenda for action at the Regular Board Meeting of August 23, 2021.

- A. Approval of payment in the amount of \$10,385.00 to Cerniglia Co., 3421 W. Lake Street, Melrose Park, IL, 60160 for emergency work performed to replace nineteen feet of deteriorated water main at 322 Clayton Road.

Public Safety and Education Committee: (Trustee Watson)

Trustee Watson reported the following will be on the agenda for action at the Regular Board Meeting of August 23, 2021.

- A. Approval to authorize the Village Administrator to contact the Police and Fire Commission requesting the hiring of 2 police officers to fill vacancies for two pending retirements and 1 Firefighter/Paramedic to replace the vacancy created by Firefighter Rodney Bradberry's retirement.

Trustee Watson also reported the Community Awareness Meeting is Wednesday, August 18, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

Zoning Committee: (Trustee Lomeli)

Trustee Delgado reported the following are to be on the agenda for action at the Regular Board Meeting of August 23, 2021.

- A. Motion to accept and place on file the minutes and findings of the Zoning Board granting First Fence Co., 10 N. Elm Street, Hillside, IL 60162, a Special Use in a R-3 District, to permit a tutoring service to operate within a portion of the building, at 10 N. Elm Street, Hillside, IL 60162.

- B. Motion to (grant/deny) the Special Use Permit submitted by First Fence Co., 10 N. Elm Street, Hillside, IL 60162, seeking a Special Use Permit in a R-3 District, to permit a tutoring service to operate within a portion of the building, at 10 N. Elm Street, Hillside, IL 60162.

Trustee Delgado reminded the Zoning Board to conduct a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, in the Board Room of the Hillside Municipal Complex, 425 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, IL, to consider a petition submitted by Thurman F. Simpson-Medley, 5248 W. Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL, 60644, on consideration for Variance in B-1 Zoning District, to reduce the number of required off-street parking spaces, at 37 N. Hillside, Hillside, IL 60162.

Trustee Delgado also reminded the Zoning Board to conduct a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 17, 2021, in the Board Room of the Hillside Municipal Complex, 425 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, IL, to consider a petition submitted by Rosemary Santiago, 224 Iroquois Road, Hillside, IL, 60162, on consideration for Variance in R-2 Zoning District, to permit coverage of the lot by impervious surfaces from 20% to 24.8%, at 224 Iroquois Road, Hillside, IL 60162.

Technology Committee: (Trustee Delgado)

No report

Community Services Committee: (Trustee Johnson)

Trustee Johnson reported Tuesday Summer Nights in Hillside continues August 10th with *Magic of Motown*, August 17th with *7th Heaven*, August 24th with *Shagadelics* and August 31st with *The Buckingham*s. Concerts start at 7:30 p.m. Food and beer will be available for purchase, with Cruise Nights and the Market Place beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Trustee Johnson also reported Mayor Tamburino, Clerk Linda Gould, the Village Board and the Community Relations Commission is hosting "READY-SET-GO" a FREE Hot Dog "Back to School" Lunch for Hillside students on Saturday, August 21st from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the Sheet Metal Workers' Local 73 Hall, 4550 Roosevelt Road. There will be free raffle prizes and giveaways. DJ B-Low will provide music and an Instagram Frame Booth will be available for students to take pictures and post on social media. No reservations are needed, but space is limited to the first 250 people and proof of Hillside residency

must be presented at the door. Social Distancing and masks will be required. A parent or legal guardian must accompany student regardless of age.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT:

Mayor Tamburino personally congratulated all on the promotions. He also thanked the Police, Fire, Public Works and all who work in the Village for doing a great job.

Mayor Tamburino invited everyone to stay for cake and coffee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Regular Meeting of the Village Board scheduled for 7:30 P.M. on Monday, August 23, 2021, 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 Kramer, seconded by Trustee Watson.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Walter, Delgado,
Kramer, Johnson, Watson
Nays: None
Absent: Trustee Lomeli
Motion declared carried

Adjournment: 7:58 P.M.


Linda L. Gould
Clerk