

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING MAY 8, 2017**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone answered the Roll Call.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler that the minutes from the April 24, 2017, Regular Meeting of the Village Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Chris Harris expressed his thanks to the village as a whole for the participation in the town hall meeting held last week. In particular, he thanked, Mayor Calderone, Chief Aftanas, Tim Gillian, Deputy Chief Mike Keating, Diversity Commission Chair, Kate Webster and Claudia Medina for participating and contributing.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Resolution for the payment of bills be adopted. The Commissioner of Accounts and Finance has reviewed the bills as applicable to each department and found the aggregate amounts to be correct and recommends payment when funds are available. The bills totaled \$387,744.70.

**R-33-17
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$387,744.70
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Resolution approving the execution of an intergovernmental agreement by and between the Village of Forest Park and the Village of Romeoville to provide for the exchange of Village of Forest Park surplus fire equipment for Village of Romeoville Fire Academy training tuition credit be adopted.

**R-34-17
RESOLUTION FOR
BARTER AGREEMENT
WITH ROMEOVILLE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler that the Resolution approving a construction engineering services agreement amendment #1 for Federal Participation with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. and a local public agency agreement for Federal Participation with the Illinois Department of Transportation Supplement regarding Madison Street Right-of-way improvements be adopted.

**R-35-17
RESOLUTION FOR
AMENDMENTS
RE: MADISON STREET
IMPROVEMENTS
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler to approve the Mayor’s signature on a letter of concurrence for the Illinois Department of Transportation as it relates to the expansion of the I-290 Expressway and its proposed temporary encroachments and permanent use of portions of Veteran’s Park and the Dog Park. It was discussed that IDOT does not have a timeline for this work but is getting all of the documents in place for the I-290 widening project, if it is ever finalized.

**MOTION TO APPROVE
MAYOR’S SIGNATURE ON
LETTER OF
CONCURRENCE WITH
IDOT RE: I-290 EXPANSION
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes to approve Forest Park School District No. 91’s request to hold their second annual Back to School 5k Run/Walk event on Saturday, August 12, 2017.

**FOREST PARK PUBLIC
SCHOOLS’ REQUEST TO
HOLD 5K
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

Administrator Gillian reported that the IDOT request to encroach on the Dog Park and playground will not be on the play surface or the dog surface, but is along the hill. In addition, in conjunction with this approval, IDOT is offering to add drainage to the dog park.

In addition, Mr. Gillian reported that the application to renew our Bronze Level Walk Friendly Village designation has been approved. A press release is forthcoming.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS:

Commissioner Entler reported that the “Cover our Rust” community art project is finally taking place this coming Saturday, May 13th. The bridge and street will be closed for most of the day.

Mayor Calderone gave kudos to Cub Scout Pack 109 for their efforts on the spring cleanup in Forest Park. The pack cleaned up from the Community Garden all along Lehmer Street last week, collecting a significant amount of trash. Thanks to the Cub Scouts!

This Saturday, May 13th, a German Dinner will be held at St. John’s Church on Circle from 4:00-7:00 p.m. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$6.00 for kids aged 4-1 as well as senior citizens. There will be games at the event as well. St. John’s is holding this event to raise funds to help support the Walther student’s trip to Germany.

Last, Mayor Calderone announced the village’s Clean up, Paint up, Fix up week beginning Saturday, May 20th and continuing through May 27th. Forest Park residents will have the ability to dispose of all unwanted household items free of charge, including light bulbs, tires, televisions, batteries, eye glasses, electronic items, unused paint, and large items such as washing machines and sofas. Bulk items can be left in the alley or on the parkway and will be picked up during the week by Public Works employees. Unwanted medications can be brought to the Police Department for proper disposal. Additionally, McAdam Landscaping, Empowering Gardens, Paulsen’s Paint and Schauer Hardware will be offering a 10% discount on home improvement and floral items that week.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler to recess into closed session for the purpose of discussing collective negotiating matters and pending litigation.

**RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION
AT 7:21 P.M.**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler to reconvene open session.

**RECONVENE OPEN SESSION
AT 8:26 P.M.**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by

R-36-17

**POLICE AND SERGEANTS
SUCCESSOR AGREEMENT
APPROVED**

Commissioner Byrnes that the Resolution approving a collective bargaining agreement between the Village of Forest Park and the Forest Park Patrol Officers and Sergeants represented by the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council be approved.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Entler seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk