

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING JULY 25, 2016**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Byrnes, Novak, and Mayor Calderone answered the Roll Call. Commission Entler is absent and excused due to the death of her mother. Commissioner Mannix is late due to a Jury Duty assignment and is on his way. The minutes will note when he arrives.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Novak and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the minutes from the June 29, 2016, Special 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, Novak
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Mannix and Entler

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Novak and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the minutes from the July 11, 2016, 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, Novak
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Mannix and Entler

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Katie Rawls of the Citizens Advocacy Center stated that she believes the Forest Park volunteer application goes overboard asking too many questions and is 4 pages long and is a barrier to citizen participation in Forest Park. Ms. Rawls further stated that the application is intimidating and the village should adopt new, less intimidating and shorter forms.

Commissioner Mannix joined the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Ms. Kate Nolan stated that she is a part of a group of about 30 citizens who are collecting signatures in order to place a question on the November ballot. The question is whether video gaming should

be prohibited in Forest Park. This would be a binding referendum vote. Ms. Nolan requested that the elected officials sign the petition.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Steve Knysch, President of the Forest park Kiwanis Club requested permission to display banners promoting their 2016 Peanut Day Drive from September 22nd through September 25th, 2016. There were no objections and the clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Knysch of the approval.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Police Department submitted their May-June report

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 \$1,297,624.31.

**R-42-16
RESOLUTION APPROVING
BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF
1,297,624.31
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Entler

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Appropriation Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2016 and ending April 30, 2017, be adopted.

**O-12-16
ANNUAL APPROPRIATION
ORDINANCE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Entler

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Novak that the Resolution authorizing the award of the 2016 MFT Resurfacing Project Contract be adopted.

**R-43-16
RESOLUTION AWARDING
THE 2016 MFT
RESURFACING PROJECT
CONTRACT TO BROTHERS
ASPHALT PAVING
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Entler

The motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #3 was withdrawn.

ITEM WITHDRAWN

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Ordinance granting and permitting a Second Amendment to the Conditional Use granted by Ordinance No. O-24-04, in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois be adopted. It was discussed that this will permit the district to conduct summer school and allow for outdoor P.E.

**O-13-16
ORDINANCE GRANTING
AND PERMITTING A
SECOND AMENDMENT TO
ORDINANCE O-24-04
PROVISO MATH AND
SCIENCE ACADEMY
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Entler

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone Proclaimed September 22, 2016 to be Kiwanis Peanut Day in Forest Park.

**MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION
RE: KIWANIS PEANUT DAY**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes to direct the Forest Park Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to appoint one candidate from its current Firefighter Eligibility List to fill a vacancy.

**BOARD OF FIRE AND
POLICE COMMISSIONERS
DIRECTED TO APPOINT
ONE PROBATIONARY
FIREFIGHTER
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Entler

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

None

COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS:

Mayor Calderone reported that this last Saturday, the village held its first “Vet Fest” in honor of all veterans who serve and who have served our country. The goal was to provide an outlet where veterans can seek help and services and to honor and serve our veterans. In spite of the oppressive heat, Mayor Calderone proclaimed “Mission Accomplished!” All profits from this event will be donated to Fisher House, a non-profit residential facility that provides room and board to the family of veterans who are receiving care at Hines V.A. Hospital. On behalf of the entire Village Council, Mayor Calderone thanked Mike Thompson from the bottom of his heart for taking the bull by the horns and organizing this event. In addition, Mayor Calderone thanked Karen Dylewski and the Community Center staff for doing a stellar job under Karen’s direction. Last, Mayor Calderone recognized Purple Heart recipient and Village Commissioner Joseph Byrnes for all the help he provided with the event.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk