

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING NOVEMBER 28, 2016**

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 November 14, 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, Mannix, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler that the minutes from the November 14, 2016, Closed Session 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, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Ralph DiFebo thanked the Village Council for wanting to move forward with the Big Idea Grant. Mr. DiFebo stated that he has applied in the past but was told that there was not enough support from the village. This year, he applied and included a letter from Mayor Calderone, along with more data on how the project would impact not only Forest Park, but Oak Park and River Forest as well. Mr. DiFebo stated that he is looking forward to working with the ad hoc committee and becoming a finalist and hopefully being awarded the \$50,000.00 seed money.

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 \$487,518.87.

**R-73-16
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$487,518.87
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 Entler that the Resolution approving a 2017 Paratransit Service Provider Agreement between Suburban Bus Division of the Regional Transportation Authority (PACE) and the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**R-74-16
RESOLUTION APPROVING
2017 PACE PARATRANSIT
AGREEMENT
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 that the Resolution approving and ratifying the execution of a 2016-2017 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program Regional Grant Application Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Village of Forest park, the Village of Oak Park, the Village of River Forest, the Village of Elmwood Park and the West Suburban Consolidated Dispatch Center be adopted.

**R-75-16
RESOLUTION APPROVING
AND RATIFYING 2016-2017
ASSISTANCE TO
FIREFIGHTERS GRANT
MOU
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 authorizing the waiver of the hiring freeze for IMRF employees regarding the hiring of a full-time Chauffer be adopted.

**R-76-16
RESOLUTION WAIVING
IMRF HIRING FREEZE TO
FILL A VACANCY IN THE
PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT
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 ratify and authorize the Mayor’s signature on the following agreements for community events managed by the Community Center:

**COMMUNITY CENTER
AGREEMENTS RATIFIED**

- Amish Acres
- Bubba Gump Shrimp Co.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

None

COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS:

Commissioner Byrnes reported that the 2002 Bond Fund for the Mall TIF will be paid in full December 1, 2016. The Mall TIF remains an active TIF District, and will continue to receive property tax increments. These funds are earmarked for the Roosevelt Road Improvement Project, scheduled to start in Spring of 2017. In addition, Commission Byrnes reported that 2017 Village Calendars are ready and available for pick up at Village Hall and at locations around the village.

Mayor Calderone reminded everyone in attendance that the Chamber of Commerce is holding their annual Holiday Walk, where the official lighting of the village's Christmas tree will occur. The event is this Friday, December 2nd from 6:00 to 9:00. Santa will arrive in Constitution Court on a fire engine, along with his police escort and will be making his way down to Forest Park National Bank for pictures.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Entler seconded to adjourn into closed session to set the price for the sale of property owned by the village.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 7:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk