

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING DECEMBER 18, 2017**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:03 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 Byrnes that the minutes from the November 27, 2017, Comcast Franchise Agreement Public Hearing 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.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Novak that the minutes from the November 27, 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.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Novak that the minutes from the November 27, 2017, 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, Novak, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chris Harris expressed his opposition to increasing garbage collection fees.

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 \$889,230.14.

**R-99-17
RESOLUTION FOR THE
APPROVAL OF BILLS IN
THE AMOUNT OF
\$889,230.14
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Calderone reported on the status of the Cultural Park. He reported that the National Park Service and he met and they prefer to wait until after the holidays to meet again and establish a timeline. The committee will be notified.

CULTURAL PARK UPDATE

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Calderone administered the official oath of office to probationary police officers Zachary Calamus, Joseph Schick and Justine Constantino.

**PROBATIONARY POLICE
OFFICERS SWORN IN**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Novak to appoint Mr. Ryan Nero Chair of the Safety and Traffic Commission.

**MR. RYAN NERO
APPOINTED CHAIR OF
SAFETY AND TRAFFIC
COMMISSION**

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 Ordinance authorizing the disposal of surplus property (seized 2012 Dodge Ram) be adopted.

**O-33-17
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS
PROPERTY
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 Ordinance amending section 4-2-5, entitled "Charges," of Chapter 2, entitled "Garbage, Refuse and Waste," of Title 4, entitled "Health and Sanitation," of the Village Code of the Village of Forest Park be adopted. It was discussed that the fees have not been increased since 2012, even though the cost to the village has increased every year, pursuant to the contract. It was further discussed that the additional cost to the homeowner is \$5.58 per year and \$2.58 per year for Senior Citizen customers.

**O-34-17
ORDINANCE AMENDING
GARBAGE AND YARD
WASTE REMOVAL FEES
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 Annual Tax Levy Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2017, and ending April 30, 2018, be adopted. It was discussed that the Village Council dissolved a TIF district at a previous meeting, and these funds now go to the taxing bodies. This has no impact on other taxpayers.

**O-35-17
ANNUAL TAX LEVY
ORDINANCE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**O-36-17
ORDINANCE SPECIFYING
FUNDS TO BE REDUCED IF
LEVY EXCEEDS
LIMITATION
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Ordinance specifying those funds to be reduced by the County Clerk in the event that the Village Annual Tax Levy exceeds a statutory tax limitation be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-100-17
RESOLUTION DIRECTING
COUNTY CLERK TO
CALCULATE SEPARATE
LIMITING RATES FOR THE
TAX LEVY
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Resolution directing the County Clerk to calculate separate limiting rates for the tax levy of the Village of Forest Park, Illinois for the 2017 tax levy year be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-101-17
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING CHANGE
ORDERS #1-5 AND PAY
REQUEST #2 TO JOHNSON
PAVING CO.
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Novak that the Resolution authorizing execution of change orders #1-5 and pay request #2 for the 2017 Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) project to Johnson Paving Co. be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-102-17
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
TERMINATION OF
COLLECTION AGREEMENT
WITH GENESIS BUSINESS
GROUP, LTD
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Resolution authorizing the issuance of written notice of termination of a collection services agreement with Genesis Business Group, LTD be adopted.

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 authorize and ratify the Mayor's signature on an agreement with Fireside Grill, associated with Senior Citizen and Community Relations functions organized by the Community Center. It was discussed that these types of agreements are for Senior Citizen trips and that 100% of the cost is passed on to the participants.

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 he attended the Grand Opening of Twisted Cookie on Madison Street. In addition, Commissioner Byrnes commented on the Facebook chatter about incidents in town and encouraged any concerned citizen to attend the Neighborhood Watch meeting tomorrow at 7:00, adding that the police appreciate citizens being their extra eyes on the street.

Commissioners Mannix, Entler and Novak wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mayor Calderone discussed the incident last week when shots were fired on the 1000 block of Circle. There were no injuries and the police believe it was not random. There is no new information to share, but the police detectives are still working their leads in the case. Mayor Calderone attended a neighborhood meeting concerning the incident and further reported that the landlord has been cooperative and the tenants involved have moved out. This particular landlord has attended the Crime-Free Multi Housing training and has incorporated the addendum to the leases, specifying that criminal activity expedites the eviction process. Mayor Calderone also reminded everyone that any time they need police or fire service, they should call 9-1-1, instead of the non-emergency number because they will end up being transferred to the new 9-1-1 center. On behalf of all Elected Officials he wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes to recess into closed session regarding deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

**RECESS INTO CLOSED
SESSION AT 8:15 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 Byrnes to reconvene the open session meeting.

**MEETING RECONVENED
AT 10:00 P.M.**

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 Novak seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz, Village Clerk