

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 23, 2002**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh, and Mayor Calderone answered the Roll Call.

READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Thornton and seconded by Commissioner Gillian that the minutes from the previous Council meeting be passed without reading as everyone has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Main Street Interim Director, Dorothy Gillian, requested Council approval regarding the "Trick or Treat on Madison" event that is scheduled to take place on October 26, 2002. Ms. Gillian described that actual trick or treating would occur from 2:00PM-3:30PM on Madison Street and games and activities would follow in Constitution Court, overflowing onto the 400 block of Thomas until 6:00PM. Ms. Gillian stated that residents on Thomas have been polled and notified of the event. There were no objections from Council members. Mayor Calderone directed the Clerk to notify the Main Street organization of event approval.

**MAIN STREET REQUESTING
APPROVAL FOR TRICK OR
TREAT ON MADISON,
OCTOBER 26, 2002**

Mr. Anthony Martucci of Woodlawn Cemetery presented Mayor Calderone a "God Bless America" plaque honoring the fire and police heroes of September 11th. The plaque was originally dedicated to the Village of Forest Park at a ceremony on the Cemetery grounds, held on September 14, 2002.

**PRESENTATION OF A
PLAQUE, HONORING THE HEROES
OF SEPTEMBER 11TH TO MAYOR
CALDERONE FROM MR. MARTUCCI
OF WOODLAWN CEMETERY**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The Police Department submitted its report for August 2002.
The Fire Department submitted its report for August 2002.
The Community Center submitted its report for August 2002.
The Department of Health and Safety submitted its report for August 2002.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Thornton that the Resolution providing 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 \$175,801.75.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Calderone suggested that the perpetual Poppy Day Proclamation proposal be tabled until more information from staff can be obtained. There were no objections from Council members.

**TABLED:
PERPETUAL POPPY DAY
PROCLAMATION PROPOSAL**

Commissioner Hosty moved that the Ordinance approving the zoning variance for 1014 Thomas be passed, provided that the four conditions of approval noted in the Ordinance are met. The variance requested seeks to increase the intensity of the land use so that more than 40% of the lot is occupied by the principal building and its accessory structures, in order to construct a deck onto the rear of the home. Commissioner Thornton seconded the motion.

**ORDINANCE APPROVING THE
ZONING VARIANCE FOR 1014
THOMAS**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Gillian moved that the Ordinance creating the Simplified Municipal Telecommunications Tax Act be passed. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion.

**ORDINANCE CREATING THE
SIMPLIFIED MUNICIPAL
TELECOMMUNICATIONS TAX ACT**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Walsh motioned to adopt the Resolution authorizing the Award of the Contract for the Forest Park 2002-2003 50/50 Sidewalk Replacement Program to G & M, Inc. in the amount of \$23,174.00. Commissioner Hosty seconded the motion.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
AWARD OF THE CONTRACT FOR
THE 2002-2003 50/50 SIDEWALK
REPLACEMENT PROGRAM TO
G & M, INC.**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone directed that the zoning variance request associated with 310 Lathrop be forwarded to the Zoning Board of Appeals for review. The variance seeks to allow a front yard in the R-2 District. There were no objections from Council Members.

**FORWARDED TO ZBA:
ZONING REQUEST ASSOCIATED WITH
310 LATHROP**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Thornton motioned to adopt the Resolution authorizing acceptance of an Agreement for a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Village of Forest Park and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Council 31, AFL-CIO for certain employees of the Village of Forest Park. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
ACCEPTANCE OF AN AGREEMENT
FOR A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE
AND AFSCME**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hosty moved that the Ordinance amending Chapter 19, Article V entitled "Parking Rules and

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER
19, ARTICLE V ENTITLED "PARKING**

Regulations” Section 73B entitled “Municipal Parking Lots and Parking on Certain Residential Streets” and Section 73D entitled “Permit Parking Lots” of the Municipal Code be passed. Commissioner Gillian seconded the motion. The Ordinance reflects the elimination of the lot at Troost and Roosevelt and adds a five spot lot at Ferdinand and Roosevelt.

RULES AND REGULATIONS” SECTION 73B ENTITLED “MUNICIPAL PARKING LOTS AND PARKING ON CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL STREETS” AND SECTION 73D ENTITLED “PERMIT PARKING LOTS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hosty moved that the Resolution offering the eligible employees of the Village of Forest Park a Cafeteria plan known as AFLAC’s FLEXONE within the context of Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code be adopted. Commissioner Thornton seconded the motion.

RESOLUTION OFFERING VILLAGE EMPLOYEES A CAFETERIA PLAN KNOWN AS AFLAC’S FLEXONE

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hosty moved to accept the Hinsdale Nursery’s proposal for fall tree planting in the amount of \$9,214.99. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion.

ACCEPTANCE OF HINSDALE NURSERY’S PROPOSAL FOR FALL TREE PLANTING

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gillian motioned to authorize the addition of the taxi cab license associated with Petit Taxi. Commissioner Hosty seconded the motion.

AUTHORIZATION OF THE TAXI CAB LICENSE ASSOCIATED WITH PETIT TAXI

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone directed to postpone item #9 on the agenda, discussion of an agreement regarding personnel, until closed session is concluded. There were no objections from Council members.

**POSTPONED UNTIL CLOSED SESSION
CONCLUDED: DISCUSSION OF AN
AGREEMENT REGARDING PERSONNEL**

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Mayor Calderone stated that the next Council meeting was scheduled for Columbus Day, October 14, 2002. Commissioner Gillian motioned to move the regular Council meeting from Monday, October 14, 2002 to Tuesday, October 15, 2002. Commissioner Thornton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone stated that he had the pleasure of accompanying Chief Rehor, Captain Santelli, Lt. Hardin, and Firefighter Anderson to Walmart where a \$1200 check was received by the Fire Department. Walmart granted the Fire Department these monies in order to promote "Senior Safety", and seniors in the future will receive smoke detectors and battery replacements for current detectors.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ed Olson from 7342 Randolph commended the Mayor and Commissioners for the beautiful flower boxes on Madison Street. Mr. Olson asked that in considering the dim lighting on Madison Street, would it be possible to add an arm off of a light pole so that another light can shine down on the street? Mayor Calderone stated that although the Village cannot alter the existing light poles, many are working on solving the illumination problem in the most efficient and financially responsible manner possible.

Mr. Olson stated that he likes Ed Pope and doesn't believe the charges made against him. He added that Chief Pope is too important to the Village to get rid of.

Mr. Olson added that the "Forget me not" drive on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, hosted by the Disabled American Veterans, will take place at Wal-Mart. He invited all to come out from 10:00AM to 4:00PM to solicit for donations.

Commissioner Hosty motioned to move into closed session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. Commissioner Thornton seconded the motion.

CLOSED SESSION 7:55 PM

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Walsh motioned to adjourn closed session and reconvene open session. Commissioner Hosty seconded the motion.

OPEN SESSION RECONVENED AT 9:15 PM

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gillian motioned to authorize the Mayor to execute the Confidential Resignation Agreement and General Release as discussed in executive session. Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion.

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE THE
CONFIDENTIAL RESIGNATION
AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE
AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Thornton, Hosty, Walsh and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Thornton motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hosty seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. White
Village Clerk