

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 23, 2003**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone answered the Roll Call.

READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was moved by Commissioner Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Hosty 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.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Kiwanis Club of Forest Park, IL requested permission to solicit funds for its annual Peanut Day fund-raising drive during the weekend starting Thursday, September 25th through Saturday, September 27th, 2003. Additionally, the Kiwanis Club requested permission to have two banners announcing the Kiwanis Peanut Day hung at the intersection of DesPlaines Avenue and Madison Street and Circle Avenue and Madison Street. There were no objections from Council members. Mayor Calderone directed the Clerk to notify the Kiwanis Club of fund-raiser approval.

**KIWANIS CLUB OF FOREST PARK
ANNUAL PEANUT DAY FUND-RAISING
DRIVE SEPTEMBER 25TH THROUGH
SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2003**

The Knights of Columbus, Father Setter Council 1278, requested permission to solicit funds via the K of C Illinois State Council Charities Mental Retardation/Learning Disability fund drive on September 19th and September 21st, 2003. Donations will be solicited on public sidewalks near various business locations, CT

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, FATHER
SETTER COUNCIL 1278, K OF C ILLINOIS
STATE COUNCIL CHARITIES MENTAL/
RETARDATION LEARNING DISABILITY
FUND DRIVE SEPTEMBER 19TH AND
SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2003**

train locations, and at various intersections throughout the Village. There were no objections from Council

members. Mayor Calderone directed the Clerk to notify the Knights of Columbus of fund drive approval.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The Police Department submitted its report for May 2003.
The Community Center submitted its report for May 2003.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Doolin 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 \$337,550.31.

**R-60-03
RESOLUTION FOR THE PAYMENT
OF BILLS**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioner Gillian motioned to approve the Ordinance amending Article IV entitled, "Number of licenses" of Chapter 7 entitled "Alcoholic Liquor" to add section 7-17C entitled "Class 'F' Licenses" of the Municipal Code of the Village of Forest Park. Commissioner Hosty seconded the motion. The Ordinance provides for one liquor license authorizing a restaurant to allow its patrons to bring into the premises beer and wine for the patrons' personal consumption while being served a meal in said establishment.

**O-24-03
ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE IV
ENTITLED "ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR" TO ADD
SECTION 7-17C ENTITLED "CLASS 'F'
LICENSES" OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

**TABELED:
THE ILLINOIS FUND “E-PAY”
PROGRAM**

Josh Budd of the Illinois State Treasurer’s Office presented a discussion of The Illinois Funds “E-pay” program, which is an electronic payment service program whereby residents can pay local government bills via credit cards over the internet and pay bills with credit and debit cards over-the-counter at Village Hall. These programs are designed for easier and faster payment collection for local governments and public entities and the “convenience” cost of \$1.00 for program utilization is passed onto the user. Mayor Calderone suggested that members of the Finance Office further investigate this program to verify its ease of use and money-saving opportunities for the Village and report its findings to the Council in the near future. There were no objections from Council members.

Mayor Calderone suggested that the Forest Park Chamber of Commerce’s request for its annual allocation of \$10,000.00 from the Village of Forest Park be tabled for future discussion. There were no objections from members of the Council.

**TABELED:
THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE’S
REQUEST FOR ITS ANNUAL
ALLOCATION OF \$10,000.00
FROM THE VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK**

Commissioner Hosty motioned to adopt the Resolution Approving Membership in the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (“ILEAS”) and the Mutual Aid Agreement by and between the Village of Forest Park and the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System. Commissioner Gillian seconded the motion. Commissioner Steinbach questioned if the ILEAS has anything to do with the amber alert system. Chief Dobbs stated that the national alert system has nothing to do with the ILEAS, and added that participation in the statewide ILEAS makes that community eligible for certain disaster preparedness grants. Commissioner Doolin questioned if participation required a fee, and Commissioner Hosty stated that the Village’s responsibility to the program included manpower only.

**R-61-03
RESOLUTION APPROVING
MEMBERSHIIP IN THE ILLINOIS LAW
ENFORCEMENT ALARM SYSTEM
 (“ILEAS”) AND THE MUTUAL AID
AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK AND THE
ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT ALARM
SYSTEM**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gillian motioned to adopt the Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Lease Agreement and Maintenance Agreement by and between the Village of Forest Park and Advanced Business Tech. Commissioner Hosty seconded the motion. The Resolution provides for the leasing of four Toshiba copiers (2 of model #550 and 2 of model #650). The copiers are dedicated to the Clerk's Office, Police Department, Community Center, and Health and Safety Department for a total monthly lease price of \$1,593.00 per month for 36 months. There is a 90 day warranty on the copiers, with the maintenance agreement to be activated after that time at \$.008 per copy.

**R-62-03
RESOLUTION APROVING AND
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO
EXECUTE THE LEASE AGREEMENT
AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE
OF FOREST PARK AND
ADVANCED BUSINESS TECH**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Jack Kubik, Village Lobbyist, delivered a legislative update to the Council members and described his three-fold job of working with agencies like the IML and WCMC to monitor legislation that affects the community, utilizing his ability to bring grant money back to the Village of Forest Park, and his involvement in the day-to-day governmental affairs of the Village to cut through "red-tape" to get the job done. Mr. Kubik described how the state budget reductions, the Governmental Ethics Act, the verbatim taping of closed session minutes, the Fire Promotion Act, and the release of state grants will affect the Village of Forest Park. Mayor Calderone stated that he is not aware of any municipality in Cook County that does not use a lobbyist and stated that the Kubiks are more than satisfactory in their efforts to break through the Springfield bureaucracy and make things happen.

**JACK KUBIK
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Commissioner Hosty motioned that the Council move into Executive Session, following Commissioner Reports, for the following purposes: To set a price for the sale or lease of property owned by the public body and to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. Commissioner Steinbach seconded the motion.

**MOTION TO CONVENE
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. O'Shea thanked Mr. Kubik, the Village Lobbyist for his report, and stated that he, as the Village Administrator, will track legislation and work with legal counsel to see what is required by the Village by law to comply with new rulings.

Mr. O'Shea updated the Council regarding the Call One Proposal and stated that our telephone service consultant, Tom Cervelli will attend a future Council meeting to report on the status of SBC trying to match Call One's prices and Call One possibly reducing its rates.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Hosty thanked all the volunteers and department heads who worked to make Summerfest a successful event.

Commissioner Doolin stated that alley beautification continues with the street sweeper visiting alleys. In addition, weeds are being pulled by the Public Works crew, garbage is being removed, and patching and repairing of the roadway are underway. Commissioner Doolin reminded attendees that they should never hesitate to phone Village Hall when a pothole is evident or the street needs some type of repair.

Commissioner Steinbach stated that the Park and Recreation Board will hold a Dog Park presentation at the next Council meeting, reminding all that no action will be taken on the issue until the July 28th, 2003 Council meeting.

Mayor Calderone stated that the Village received a grant payment for approximately \$25,900.00, which is the first of two payments, from the Cook County Judicial Advisory Board. Mayor Calderone thanked Mr. Jim O'Rourke who facilitated the grant, and stated that the monies are to be used in the Police Department on programs to encourage police officers to interact with children as mentors.

Mayor Calderone reported on the 1200, 1300, and 1400 blocks of Elgin in regards to the water project and stated that the project engineers are completing a punch list today. They admitted that some inferior work was done there and the contractor was placed on notice regarding the substandard work. Mayor Calderone continued to say that the project engineer has assured him that there is more than enough money in the retention fund to cover the noted substandard work and added that the contractor has also posted a performance bond. Mayor Calderone finished by stating that he believes all safeguards are in place and that it is time now to get the work completed.

Mayor Calderone stated that he wrote to the IEPA regarding JLG Trucking and the associated RSI company. IEPA stated that the areas occupied by these companies are not hazardous sites, and furthermore, they have not been sited with any IEPA violations. Therefore, he stated that these are not hazardous operations, but consist of construction and debris recycling only.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gloria Beckman from 329 Burkhardt Court stated that she is concerned about the two hour parking regulation as it applies to residential areas. She stated that over the past month or so, Madison Street employees park on the streets, and in their effort to enforce the regulations, the parking enforcement officer has given tickets to residents who are parked in front of their homes, as well as to employee parkers. Ms. Beckman suggested a solution of a general zone sticker for the car to identify it as a resident's vehicle. Mayor Calderone stated that this issue won't be solved this evening, and added that the amount of time invested in examining parking issues among the Village members, Main Street, and the Chamber of Commerce is huge. Mayor Calderone stated that the Police Chief is aware of the situation and he, along with others, is working toward a permanent fix for this parking scenario.

Steve Beckman from 329 Burkhardt Court asked about the progress of the Beloit parking lot. Mayor Calderone stated that as soon as the Village receives money to perform the work, the lot will be extended near Ferdinand (south side of Madison) behind Trage Brothers. Mayor Calderone stated that he is hoping for grant monies to come through to do the work.

Mayor Calderone reminded all that the musical event, "Groovn' in the Grove", will take place at the Altenheim picnic grove from 7 to 10:00PM, June 24th, 2003 and will feature a blues band. Mayor Calderone stated that Hayden Bush, former Review editor, has been promoted to the Wednesday Journal Staff and has been replaced by the current editor, Laurien Menhenet. Mayor Calderone welcomed Ms. Menhenet and introduced her to the audience members.

Village Council moved into closed session at 8:15PM.

**CLOSED SESSION
8:15PM**

Commissioner Gillian motioned to close executive session and resume regular session. Commissioner Hosty seconded the motion.

**CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION
RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION
11:30PM**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gillian motioned that Deputy Chief Johnsen and Captain Glinke be entitled to the salary of the previous Chief of their respective departments during the time that they acted in the capacity of Chief of that Department. Commissioner Hosty seconded the motion.

**DEPUTY CHIEF JOHNSEN AND
CAPTAIN GLINKE TO RECEIVE
SALARY OF THE PREVIOUS CHIEF
OF THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS
DURING THE TIME THAT THEY ACTED IN
THE CAPACITY OF CHIEF OF THAT DEPT.**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 11:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. White
Village Clerk