

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 22, 2004**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

READING OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Steinbach that the minutes from the previous Council meeting be passed without reading, as everyone has received copies thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jan Jecmen of 611 Hannah commended Bob Kutak and Mike Loisi for the outstanding jobs they performed in fixing sewer related problems near her home.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Salvation Army requested permission to conduct its two annual fund raisers. Donut Day is scheduled for June 4th and June 5th, 2004 and Christmas Kettles November 19th through December 24th, 2004. There were no objections from Council members. Mayor Calderone directed the Clerk to notify the Salvation Army of request approval.

**SALVATION ARMY REQUEST APPROVED
FOR DONUT DAY JUNE 4TH AND 5TH, 2004
AND CHRISTMAS KETTLES NOVEMBER
19TH THROUGH December 24th, 2004**

The Historical Society of Forest Park requested permission to use the Altenheim grounds for the 2nd annual Great American Fur Trade Rendezvous on August 13th, 14th, and 15th, 2004

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY REQUEST
APPROVED TO USE THE ALTENHEIM
GROUNDS FOR GREAT AMERICAN
FUR TRADE RENDEZVOUS ON AUGUST**

from 12:00PM to 6:00PM. The re-enactors stay on the grounds in their camps throughout the weekend. There were no objections from Council members. Mayor Calderone directed the Clerk to notify the Historical Society of request approval.

13TH, 14TH, AND 15TH, 2004.

Trage Appliance Store requested to host a "Derby Day" on Saturday, May 8th, 2004 from 10:00AM to 6:00PM in the northern half of the municipal parking lot behind the store. The Council determined that the Public Works Department would deliver the barricades requested to block off the alley on the Beloit side as well as the north/south alley between Beloit and Thomas and Trage's would be responsible for setting up and taking down the barricades. In addition, the Council directed that Trage's would be responsible for cleanup after the event, and would also need to make its own provisions for electric power.

**TRAGE APPLIANCE STORE REQUEST
APPROVED
TO HOST "DERBY DAYS" ON MAY 8TH
2004 IN MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The Community Center submitted its report for February 2004.
The Police Department submitted its report for February 2004.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Steinbach 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 \$492,545.89.

**R-17-04
RESOLUTION FOR PAYMENT
OF BILLS**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

Commissioner Steinbach asked the Finance Director for a review of the current fund cash balances. Ms. Yacoben stated that the general fund's cash on hand is \$778,679.32; the water fund's balance is \$183,894.90; and the parking fund's balance is \$504,138.10.

Ms. Yacoben stated that sales tax revenue from the past Christmas season is coming in and the amount has exceeded previous years' totals.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioner Gillian motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to approve Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches request to host a grand opening event in municipal parking lot #6 on May 8, 2004.

Commissioner Steinbach stated that she wanted no police or public works overtime incurred by event assistance and Mayor Calderone stated that police enforcement should be done without overtime expenses. Mayor Calderone added that parking lot closure signs could be erected by Directors Kutak and Heider along with delivery of barricades to the lot. Mayor Calderone stated that Jimmy John's would then be responsible for placing barricades, taking them down, and finally cleaning the lot after the event. There were no objections from Council members.

**JIMMY JOHN'S GOURMET SANDWICHES
TO HOST GRAND OPENING EVENT ON
MAY 8TH, 2004 IN MUNICIPAL PARKING
LOT #6**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Hosty motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to pass the Ordinance Amending Section 20-17 "Minors-Curfew", of Chapter 20, "Nuisances and Offenses", of Article I, "Miscellaneous Offenses", of the Municipal Code. The Ordinance now adequately protects the exercise of First Amendment rights by juveniles.

**O-10-04
ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION
20-17, "MINORS-CURFEW", OF
CHAPTER 20, "NUISANCES AND
OFFENSES", OF ARTICLE 1,
"MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES"**

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin.

The motion carried.

Commissioner Hosty moved and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to pass the Ordinance approving

**O-11-04
ORDINANCE APPROVING FIRST**

the First Amendment to Real Estate Contract between the Village of Forest Park and Madison Street Commons, LLC. Mr. Durkin stated that the Ordinance provides for the development company to perform the work associated with improvement of the 31 parking spaces and meters and then the improved land would be deeded over to the Village. Also, an easement clause is needed to provide for columns supporting the building's deck area. Commissioner Steinbach asked if the developer will pay for parking meters or an electronic parking meter box system and Mayor Calderone stated that if there are no objections, the electronic system should be installed. Mayor Calderone added that flyers would be distributed to cars in the area notifying them of lot closure. Mr. O'Shea added that additional night permit parking has been designated in diagonal spaces on Marengo Ave., just north and south of Madison Street, and on Elgin Ave., just south of Madison Street.

AMENDMENT TO REAL ESTATE SALE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK AND MADISON STREET COMMONS, LLC

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

Commissioner Gillian motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to pass the Ordinance Reducing the Number of Lieutenants in the Fire Department of the Village of Forest Park. Mr. Durkin stated that the actual reduction means that the least senior lieutenant is furloughed and becomes the rank of firefighter.

**O-12-04
ORDINANCE REDUCING THE NUMBER OF LIEUTENANTS IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, and Steinbach

NAYS: Mayor Calderone

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

Commissioner Gillian motioned and Commissioner Hosty seconded to adopt the Resolution Establishing the Number of Firefighters which Comprise the Fire Department of the Village of Forest Park. Mr. Durkin stated that furloughing the lieutenant increases the numbers of firefighters to 18 which corresponds to the correct number directed by as previous Resolution.

**R-18-04
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF FIREFIGHTERS WHICH COMPRISE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, and Steinbach

NAYS: Mayor Calderone

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

Commissioner Hosty motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to pass the Ordinance authorizing the Sale of Inoperable Firearms and the Purchase of Police Firearms and Equipment.

O-13-04

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF INOPERABLE FIREARMS AND THE PURCHASE OF POLICE FIREARMS AND EQUIPMENT

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

Commissioner Gillian motioned and Commissioner Hosty seconded to direct the Village Administrator to begin the process of preparing the necessary paperwork associated with establishing a line of credit to bring forward to the Council for future action. Commissioner Steinbach stated that she thought the Village Administrator already had been looking into this issue and Commissioner Gillian stated although work has been done on the line of credit, the adoption of this motion officially sets up processes so that bond counsel can be paid. Commissioner Gillian reiterated that the application for a credit line is non-binding.

APPROVED: MOTION TO DIRECT THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO BEGIN THE PROCESS ASSOCIATED WITH ESTABLISHING A LINE OF CREDIT

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

Commissioner Gillian motioned and Commissioner Hosty seconded to enter into an agreement with Broadview Animal Hospital for the shelter and control of Forest Park stray animals, in a dollar amount not to exceed \$2500. The agreement will be reviewed in six months. Commissioner Steinbach asked if the projected cost of caring for strays is \$5000.00 per year. Mr. Durkin stated that the \$2500 limit is addressed to be consistent with the

APPROVED: AGREEMENT TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BROADVIEW ANIMAL HOSPITAL FOR THE SHELTER AND CONTROL OF FOREST PARK STRAY ANIMALS, IN A DOLLAR AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2500.00

procurement ordinance and it is not to say that the care of strays costs \$2500 for a six month period of time. Mayor Calderone stated that the motion says that once the Village spends \$2500 to Broadview Animal Hospital for the shelter and care of strays, Council members would revote on this process of caring for strays.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

Mr. O'Shea stated that Oak Park is interested in a joint Village effort regarding animal care. Mayor Calderone stated that he thinks Oak Park has a genuine interest in continued discussions, but the problem continues to be finding a facility to house animals.

Commissioner Gillian motioned and Commissioner Hosty seconded to adopt the Resolution approving and publishing the official Zoning Map of the Village of Forest Park.

Ms. Hill stated that the biggest map change in 2003 was the rezoning of 209 Des Plaines to R2 and added that street names were corrected on the map.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin

The motion carried.

Commissioner Hosty motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to pass the Ordinance Granting and Permitting variations in the Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park regarding 1005 Ferdinand (ZBA 2004-01). The owner is requesting a variance in order to expand a nonconforming structure with a second story addition and a deck.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

**R-19-04
RESOLUTION APPROVING AND
PUBLISHING THE OFFICIAL
ZONING MAP**

**O-14-04
ORDINANCE GRANTING AND PERMITTING
VARIATIONS IN THE REGULATIONS OF
THE ZONING ORDINANCE REGARDING
1005 FERDINAND (ZBA 2004-01)**

NAYS: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Doolin
The motion carried.

Commissioner Gillian motioned and Commissioner Hosty seconded to pass the Ordinance creating a Public Parking Facility Sinking Fund for use on Municipal Public Parking Lots. Discussion ensued regarding the current sinking funds associated with Village owned lots 13A and B. Commissioner Steinbach noted that this particular Ordinance is a general sinking fund and suggested that it be labeled a specific fund, like the Madison Street fund, so that money collected in it is used to improve Madison Street parking lots. Mayor Calderone agreed that the more specific the location label on the fund, the better. Commissioner Hosty asked if money could be collected in a general sinking fund and at a later date specify the location where funds could be used. Mr. Durkin stated that specification of funds could be done at a later time. Commissioner Hosty stated that he sees no need to modify the Ordinance because Council members could amend it to specify location in the future. Mayor Calderone suggested that it would be improper to collect money from a Madison Street developer to improve a parking lot away from Madison Street. Commissioner Steinbach reiterated that the sinking fund should be specified as to location of parking lot improvement. Commissioner Gillian motioned to withdraw the original motion. Mayor Calderone encouraged Council members to speak with Mr. O'Shea about specificity of the Ordinance so that it can be revised and readdressed by the Council.

**WITHDRAWN: MOTION TO PASS
THE ORDINANCE CREATING A PUBLIC
PARKING FACILITY SINKING FUND FOR
USE ON MUNICIPAL PUBLIC PARKING
LOTS**

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Steinbach thanked Director Heider and Terry Uidl for saving the Village \$8000 by salvaging meters from Oak Park at no cost to the Village of Forest Park.

Mayor Calderone stated that the WCMC will host a vehicle auction on June 5, 2004 and directed department heads to forward information about vehicles that are no longer needed to Mr. O'Shea or himself.

Mayor Calderone stated that he realized an opportunity for enhanced revenue generation when he directed bus shelters to be erected throughout the community with the cooperation of PACE. Mayor Calderone presented a check for \$8722.85 to the finance director which is the Village's 50% share of advertising revenues associated with bus shelter advertisements.

Mayor Calderone stated that he testified on March 4 to support the awarding of the 10th casino license to Rosemont. Forest Park will receive about \$180,000 annually after the casino in Rosemont is up and running. Eight months after the license is physically issued to Rosemont, the Village of Forest Park would begin to receive revenue via the WCMC.

Mayor Calderone reviewed the history of the comprehensive plan that was adopted in June, 2001. He stated that the plan itself states that it is a flexible and adaptive policy guide. Mayor Calderone stated that if the plan was etched in stone, there would be no need for the Zoning Board of Appeals or the Plan Commission. Mayor Calderone called for future dialogue among all Council members to address a common vision for the Village of Forest Park in terms of development and to ascertain whether the comprehensive plan should be used as a guide only, or alternately, to make an addendum to the plan so that developers can build solely what the plan dictates.

Mr. O'Shea thanked Director Heider, Elliott Serrano, Lori Polzak, the part time Ark employees, and the many Ark volunteers for their excellent animal care services. Mr. O'Shea stated that although the Ark will close its doors March 31, 2004, its services benefited not only residents in Forest Park but people throughout seven neighboring municipalities.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. White
Village Clerk