

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE  
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 25th, 2004**

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 PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Steinbach that the minutes from the previous Council meeting of October 12th, 2004 be passed without reading, as everyone has received copies 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.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Doolin that the minutes from the Special Council meeting of October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2004 be passed without reading, as everyone has received copies 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.

It was moved by Commissioner Gillian and seconded by Commissioner Doolin that the minutes from the Special Council meeting of October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2004 be passed without reading, as everyone has received copies 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.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bill Heider, of 3729 Arthur in Brookfield, Illinois, gave a tribute to long time Village employee, John Stewart, upon his retirement. Mr. Heider stated that John served the residents of Forest Park competently for more than 40 years, arriving early each day to clean the equipment and care for the

vehicles. Mr. Heider pointed to John's excellent safety record as a testimony to his complete and careful care of the trees in town. Mr. Heider wished John and his family good luck upon his retirement.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Forest Park Chamber of Commerce submitted a letter, requesting that the Village pay half of the \$5748.00 cost to hire McAdam Landscaping to install double-faced lighted balsam wreaths and lighted balsam rope on the lightpoles on Madison Street for Christmas. The Chamber and Main Street would each pay 25% of the cost.

### **VILLAGE, CHAMBER, AND MAIN STREET TO SHARE COST OF CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS ON MADISON STREET**

Commissioner Gillian motioned and Commissioner Hosty seconded to accept the Chamber of Commerce's Christmas decoration payment plan.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

The Community Center submitted its report for September 2004.  
The Police Department submitted its report for October 2004.

### **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Gillian 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 \$ 618,808.76.

### **R-56-04 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**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Hosty motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to pass an Ordinance granting Site Plan Approval and granting and permitting a Variation in the Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park re: 7730-32-34 Madison Street. The site plan allows for construction of a one-story commercial building with parking in the rear and the variation requested is to reduce the amount of required parking.

**O-46-04  
ORDINANCE GRANTING SITE PLAN  
APPROVAL AND GRANTING AND  
PERMITTING A VARIATION IN THE  
REGULATIONS OF THE ZONING  
ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE RE:  
7730-32-34 MADISON STREET**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steinbach motioned and Commissioner Hosty seconded to pass an Ordinance amending Section 6-4-3 of the Village Code of the Village of Forest Park and Designating Metered Parking for Patrons of the Forest Park Library. Commissioner Doolin reiterated that the designated library spaces will remain metered spaces and that the library will perhaps pay for signage. Commissioner Doolin added that there will be a grace period established before ticketing would occur for parking noncompliance.

**O-47-04  
ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION  
6-4-3 OF THE VILLAGE CODE  
DESIGNATING METERED PARKING  
FOR PATRONS OF THE FOREST  
PARK LIBRARY**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hosty motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to adopt a Resolution supporting Increased Public Transit Funding for Northeastern Illinois.

**R-57-04  
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING INCREASED  
PUBLIC TRANSIT FUNDING FOR  
NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hosty motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to appoint Richard Scafidi of 815 Marengo to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Commissioner Doolin stated that the members of the Council appreciated Mr. Scafidi's stepping forward to assume a position on the ZBA and encouraged Mr. Scafidi to continue to educate himself regarding the Zoning Code and the Comprehensive Plan.

**RICHARD SCAFIDI:  
APPOINTED TO THE ZONING BOARD  
OF APPEALS**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steinbach motioned and Commissioner Hosty seconded to adopt a Resolution in honor of John Stewart upon his retirement.

**R-58-04  
RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF JOHN  
STEWART UPON HIS RETIREMENT**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Doolin thanked John for his impressive 43 year career with the Village of Forest Park.

Commissioner Gillian stated that one would see John working all day as a Village employee, and then you'd see John working throughout the evening hours via his own business, cutting down trees.

Commissioner Gillian commended John for his strong work ethic.

Commissioner Hosty stated that the Village will find no one to replace John that has his arborist and mechanic expertise, adding that John kept the snow trucks operating in the absence of a mechanic.

Commissioner Steinbach stated that John gave excellent instructions to residents who were awarded new trees on their parkways, and the trees flourished under this care.

Mayor Calderone stated that John is a genuinely good man, and thanked John's co-worker, Mike Raimondi, for joining in this celebration.

John Stewart thanked Council members for the opportunity to serve residents of the Village of Forest Park for such a long time.

## **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

None

## **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Doolin stated that the leaf pushing and clearing detail has begun. Commissioner Doolin stated that the search for a Class C Water Operator continues, as it was narrowed down to one candidate who declined the position.

Commissioner Steinbach stated that she will hold an educational session about the sales tax referendum question at the Forest Park Middle School, Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004 at 7:00PM.

Mayor Calderone stated that the Cindy Lyons Health Fair will take place on Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2004, from 11:00AM to 3:00PM. Mayor Calderone invited all to attend the event in order to benefit from many health screenings available there.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 7:29PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. White  
**Village Clerk**