

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 8th, 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 Doolin that the minutes from the previous Council meeting of October 25th, 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

Alex Buttny of 1006 Gunderson in Oak Park stated that he is the local realtor associated with the Adams and Elgin condo conversion project and asked for parking space identification assistance, as there is no on-site parking there. Mr. Buttny stated that he is attempting to obtain parking spaces from the neighbors, and has secured nine spaces for the nineteen units.

Mayor Calderone stated that the Council could not help Mr. Buttny tonight, but since he has already spoken with Nancy Hill of Community Development, he should make an appointment to speak with the Mayor about all his parking concerns. The owner of the building, Benny Scianna, of 915 Stone Hedge Drive in Addison, IL, stated that the lack of parking at the condo conversion site is prohibiting sales of the units, and he is very interested in detailing his concerns with Mayor Calderone.

Tom Pacyga of 620 Thomas stated that the Forest Park Review printed that the Oak Park Volvo dealership will unload cars in an indoor depot center in Forest Park to minimize traffic congestion. Mr. Pacyga asked if this situation is good or bad for Forest Park. Mayor Calderone stated that there is no plan to unload these cars in Forest Park and it will not happen.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The Finance Department submitted its report for October 2004.

The Department of Health and Safety submitted its report for October 2004.

Commissioner Doolin asked if the Washington Mutual Bank on Roosevelt Road required a variation through the zoning code. Chris Thornton stated that the permit fees noted in the report are associated with site preparation only and identified demolition as the purpose of the permitting process at this time. Nancy Hill stated that staff does not know if the bank requires a variance, as it is currently reviewing the bank's building plans. Commissioner Doolin added that if the use of the property is changing to that of a bank, wouldn't the process include a variation? Nancy Hill stated that it depends on the number of parking spaces available and added that the bank may not utilize the entire space. Mayor Calderone stated that he thought the bank would occupy two-thirds of the space only.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Hosty 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 \$ 203,307.48.

**R-59-04
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 Gillian motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to pass an Ordinance Adopting a Non-Home Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Non-Home Rule Municipal Service Occupation Tax.

**O-48-04
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A NON-
HOME RULE MUNICIPAL RETAILERS'
OCCUPATION TAX AND A NON-HOME
RULE MUNICIPAL SERVICE OCCUPATION
TAX**

Commissioner Doolin asked if language guiding the use of the revenue generated by the tax should be included in the Ordinance and Mike Durkin stated that the passage of this Ordinance only places the sales tax collection in the Code, while the previous sales tax Ordinance directs that the money must be used for infrastructure improvement.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hosty motioned and Commissioner Gillian seconded to pass the Ordinance amending Ordinance No. O-25-04 and fixing the salaries for the Electrical Inspector and the Plumbing Inspector of the Village of Forest Park.

Commissioner Doolin asked about the salary highs and lows staff found in a survey and Nancy Hill stated that Forest Park was the lowest paying community for the inspector position, with River Forest being the highest paid at \$66 per hour. Commissioner Doolin asked if the survey highlighted any billing back of inspector services and Miss Hill said that some communities did while others did not. Miss Hill added that research showed that in most communities, most first inspection services were absorbed in the permit fee.

**O-49-04
ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE
NO. O-25-04 AND FIXING THE SALARIES
FOR THE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR AND
THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK**

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 pass an Ordinance Authorizing an Alteration to a Nonconforming Building pursuant to Section 9-9-3 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park re: 544 Thomas.

**O-50-04
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN
ALTERATION TO A NONCONFORMING
BUILDING PURSUANT TO SECTION
9-9-3 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE
RE: 544 THOMAS AVENUE**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hosty, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Gillian

The motion carried.

Commissioner Hosty motioned and Commissioner Steinbach seconded to pass an Ordinance Granting and Permitting a Variation in the Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park re: 7413 Madison Street.

**O-51-04
ORDINANCE GRANTING AND
PERMITTING A VARIATION IN THE
REGULATIONS OF THE ZONING
ORDINANCE RE: 7413 MADISON ST.**

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 pass an Ordinance Authorizing an Alteration to a Nonconforming Use pursuant to Section 9-9-3 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park re: 7609 Roosevelt Rd.

**O-52-04
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN
ALTERATION TO A NONCONFORMING
USE PURSUANT TO SECTION 9-9-3 OF
THE ZONING ORDINANCE RE:
7609 ROOSEVELT ROAD**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone directed the Clerk to read the Mayor's Proclamation regarding Homelessness Awareness Month, November 2004 into the record. The Proclamation recognizes the support the community has provided to people who are homeless through the volunteer efforts of 800 people and over 40 Faith Communities.

**HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH
NOVEMBER, 2004 PROCLAMATION**

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Gillian thanked the citizens of Forest Park for voting in favor of the sales tax referendum at the November 2nd General Election, adding that they understood the need for this additional revenue for the Village. Commissioner Gillian announced that he has named Judy Kovacs as the new Finance Director, as she has been filling in for Abbe Yacoben since her departure. Commissioner Gillian invited all to congratulate Judy on her new role.

Mayor Calderone thanked the residents for a successful sales tax referendum passage.

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 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. White
Village Clerk