

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING DECEMBER 19, 2005**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the minutes from the regular Council meeting on November 28, 2005 be approved 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.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Steven Backman of 7452 Warren urged the Council to vote along with the Zoning Board of Appeals and not approve the Zoning Administrator Position. He further stated that part of the charm of a small town is to have the opportunity to go before a full board of our peers rather than one person.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Ms. Linnea Piro, Program Director of Camp Fire USA requested permission to hold a candy sale fundraiser from February 3 through February 28, 2006. There being no objections, the Clerk was asked to notify Ms. Piro of the approval and requirements of the Village of Forest Park.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Finance, Community Center, Fire, Public Health and Safety and Police Departments submitted their November reports.

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

**R-58-05
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE**

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 \$970,763.14.

**AMOUNT OF \$970,763.14
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Gillian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to appoint Mr. Austin Zimmer to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**MR. AUSIN ZIMMER
APPOINTED TO ZONING
BOARD OF APPEALS**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone introduced Mr. Zimmer and welcomed him to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

It was moved by Commissioner Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to appoint Ms. Rebecca Vnuk to the Library Board.

**MS. REBECCA VNUK
APPOINTED TO THE
LIBRARY BOARD**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Doolin to appoint Mr. Curtis J. Cashman to the position of Director of Public Works.

**MR. CURTIS J. CASHMAN
APPOINTED TO THE
POSITION OF DIRECTOR
OF PUBLIC WORKS**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone introduced and welcomed Mr. Cashman to the Village of Forest Park.

It was moved by Commissioner Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 0-4-05, as amended, and fixing the salary for the Assistant Director of Public Works of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**O-64-05
ORDINANCE FIXING
SALARY FOR ASST.
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
WORKS
APPROVED**

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 Hosty to approve a retirement agreement and general release, and further to authorize the Mayor to execute, and the Village Clerk to attest said agreement on behalf of the Village of Forest Park.

**RETIREMENT AGREEMENT
AND GENERAL RELEASE
APPROVED**

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 to adopt that certain Nationwide Retirement Solutions, Inc., Deferred Compensation Plan for Public Employees, Amended and Restated 457(b) Governmental Plan Document, effective January 1, 2006, and further authorize the implementation of said Amended Deferred Compensation Plan on behalf of the Village of Forest Park.

**AMENDED AND RESTATED
457(B) DEFERRED
COMPENSATION PLAN
APPROVED**

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 Steinbach that the Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a contract between the Village

**R-59-05
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION**

of Forest Park and Andres Medical Billing, Ltd. be adopted.

Mayor Calderone stated that he would like to be on record for the reason he is not in favor of this motion. He further stated that Andres has been doing business with the Village of Forest Park for about 10 years and charging 10% of the ambulance billings as their fee. Mr. Earl Field of Paramedic Services, Inc. brought it to the Village’s attention that we could realize more revenue by charging the higher fees that are approved to be paid by insurance companies and Medicare. The additional fees could be as much as \$50-125,000. The Village of Forest Park effectively raised the fees and then sent out a request for proposal to three contractors. Mr. Field stated that he would match the 7% fee proposed by Andres. Mr. Field is the Mayor of the Village of Norridge and Mayor Calderone stated that he should be considered a friend as they both belong to an organization of local mayors and confer and help each other. Mayor Calderone then stated that he believes that Earl Field should receive consideration and be given the opportunity to provide professional services to the Village of Forest Park at reasonable rates because he brought the increased revenue to our attention in the first place.

ROLL CALL:

- AYES:** Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin, and Steinbach
 - NAYS:** Mayor Calderone
 - ABSENT:** None
- The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Doolin and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Ordinance amending Paragraph A of Section 10-3-5, entitled “Lots”, of Title 10, entitled “Subdivision Regulations”, of the Village Code of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

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 Ordinance amending Section 7-1-4, entitled “Driveways”, of Title 7, entitled “Public Ways and Property”, of the Village Code of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

Commissioner Steinbach expressed her concern that the Building Department will need to get the Public Works

**OF CONTRACT WITH
ANDRES MEDICAL BILLING
APPROVED**

**0-65-05
ORDINANCE AMENDING
SECTION 10-3-5 ENTITLED
“LOTS” OF TITLE 10 OF
THE VILLAGE CODE
APPROVED**

**O-66-05
ORDINANCE AMENDING
SECTION 7-1-4 ENTITLED
“DRIVEWAYS” OF TITLE 7
OF THE VILLAGE CODE
APPROVED**

Department involved in any decisions being made that would have any bearing on public ways or public improvements. Commissioner Hosty explained that the initial application would be made with the Building Department and any recommendation would be brought before the Village Council. He further stated an assurance that the Building Department would speak to the Public Works department and that the Commissioners would have their say at the council meeting. Commissioner Steinbach stated that she hoped that all the departments would work together.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone introduced new Library Board Member, Rebecca Vnuk and welcomed Ms. Vnuk to the Board. Ms. Vnuk expressed her thanks to the Mayor and stated that she is excited to have the opportunity.

**MS. REBECCA VNUK
INTRODUCED**

It was moved by Commissioner Gillian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Ordinance granting and permitting variations in the regulations of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park re: ZBA 2005-28: 1414 Marengo be adopted.

**0-67-05
ORDINANCE GRANTING
AND PERMITTING
VARIATIONS IN
REGULATIONS OF THE
ZONING ORDINDNACE RE:
ZBA 2005-28: 1414
MARENGO
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Steinbach

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Gillian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Ordinance amending the Code of the Village of Forest Park by adding thereto Title 12, entitled "Historic Preservation" be tabled until the second Council Meeting in January, 2006.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION
ORDINANCE
TABLED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Village of Forest Park petition

**MOTION TO PETITION
FOREST PARK ZONING**

the Forest Park Zoning Board of Appeals for an amendment to the Zoning Map and the text of the Zoning Ordinance to identify and provide for a new zoning classification entitled "Downtown Business District".

**BOARD OF APPEALS FOR
A NEW ZONING
CLASSIFICATION
ENTITLED "DOWNTOWN
BUSINESS DISTRICT"
APPROVED**

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 Hosty that the Ordinance to create a Zoning Administrator Hearing Process and approving text amendments to the Zoning Code of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**0-68-05
ORDINANCE CREATING
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
HEARING PROCESS
APPROVED**

Commissioner Steinbach stated that she understands the need for this position but does not agree that the administrator should be the Director of Health and Safety. She further stated that she would prefer that the administrator be someone other than an employee of the Building Department for checks and balances and suggested Jo Ellen Charlton or another consultant as an alternative. Commissioner Hosty asked whether Section 9-10-6D, 2nd paragraph the word shall could be changed to "may". In addition Commissioner Hosty asked for clarification in the same paragraph that the paragraph is referencing a replacement structure. Village Attorney, Mike Durkin stated that if the wording of the ordinance is altered from its current draft according to Commissioner Hosty's request, that would affect other sections of the Ordinance and amendments would be required as a result. Commissioner Gillian stated that his original motion stands without changes. Commissioner Hosty concurred. Commissioner Steinbach moved that the proposed Ordinance be amended to show that the title of the Hearing office will not be the Director of Public Health and Safety. The motion died for lack of a second.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Doolin and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Steinbach

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Steinbach that the Annual Tax Levy Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2005 ending April 30, 2006 be adopted.

**0-69-05
ANNUAL TAX LEVY
ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL
YEAR BEGINNING 5/1/05**

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 Ordinance specifying those funds to be reduced by the County Clerk in the event that the Village annual tax levy for 2005 exceeds a statutory tax limitation be adopted.

**0-70-05
ORDINANCE SPECIFYING
FUNDS TO BE REDUCED IN
EVENT TAX LEVY
EXCEEDS STATUTORY
LIMIT
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Doolin that the Ordinance to rescind Ordinance Number 0-60-05 proposing the establishment of Special Service Area Number 1 for Right-of-way improvements for that portion of 19th Street lying immediately east of DesPlaines Avenue in the Village of Forest Park and providing for a public hearing and other procedures in connection therewith be adopted. Commissioner Hosty asked the elected officials to be cautious in rescinding this ordinance and to give the landowners the opportunity to review the SSA. Commissioner Hosty further stated that the SSA can provide federal tax benefits to the landowners contradictory to a SAA. If the landowners petition against the SSA it could be at their own peril and expense. Mayor Calderone stated that he recommend that the Council rescind the SSA because if the petition process is successful, the Village is prohibited from proposing a SSA for 2 years. Mayor Calderone suggested that the Council rescind the SSA ordinance and try to collaborate with the owners and come back with a proposed SSA. Commissioner Doolin stated that he agreed that the SSA Ordinance should be rescinded to give us an opportunity to work out a solution with the property owners.

**0-71-05
ORDINANCE RESCINDING
ORDINANCE 0-60-05 RE:
ESTABLISHMENT OF
SPECIAL SERVICE AREA
NO. 1
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Doolin, Steinbach and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Hosty

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Gillian and seconded by Commissioner Steinbach to approve that certain Participant Agreement, between the Village of Forest Park, Global Payments Direct, Inc., HSBC Bank USA, and the Office of the Illinois State Treasurer, a copy of which is attached hereto, for participation in the Treasurer's Electronic Payment Services Program, and further authorize and ratify the Mayor's execution of such agreement on behalf of the Village of Forest Park.

**MOTION TO APPROVE
AGREEMENT WITH
GLOBAL PAYMENTS
DIRECT, INC, HSBC BANK
USA & ILLINOIS STATE
TREASURER FOR
ELECTRONIC PAYMENT
SERVICES PROGRAM
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Gillian reported that the Village Clerk and the Village Administrator received the renewal for the general liability policy. The renewal premium is increasing by 7/10ths of 1% due to the negotiating efforts of our staff. The policy will renew on December 31, 2005.

Commissioner Hosty wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Commissioner Doolin wished everyone Happy Holidays and welcomed Curt Cashman to the Staff. Commissioner Doolin further stated that he is looking forward to the momentum in the department and expressed his thanks to Mr. Cashman for accepting the challenge.

Mayor Calderone reported that every year McGaffer's on Roosevelt Road has a Toys for Tots fundraiser and through their efforts have been able to make donations to various charities. Mayor Calderone proceeded to announce a \$600 donation by Richard Polfus and McGaffers to be used to purchase a vest for Sam the Police Dog. The donation was presented to Chief James Ryan. Mayor Calderone then presented checks in the amount of \$480.00 and two gift certificates from The Village Food Store to Beverly Thompson on behalf of the Forest Park Seniors Club. Mayor Calderone, on behalf of himself and all the elected officials, wished all in attendance a Merry Christmas and said that he is looking forward to a good New Year.

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 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk