

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING APRIL 24, 2006**

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 Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Steinbach that the minutes from the Regular Council meeting on April 10, 2006 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 unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Doolin that the minutes from the Special Council meeting on April 12, 2006 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 unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Wayne Schauer of Schauers Ace Hardware thanked the Village for the wonderful job done on the reconstruction of the alley behind his store on Madison Street. In particular, he thanked Bob Kutak, Christopher Burke's crew and Kingsport cement for the professional job done.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Rev. Patrick Tucker, Pastor, St. Bernardine Church requested permission to close the 800 block of Elgin from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Sunday May 22, 2006 for the sixth annual St. Bernardine Day celebration. In addition, Fr. Tucker requested permission to display two banners at Circle and Madison and Desplaines and Madison and further requested a one-day liquor license for May 22, 2006 and assistance from the Public Works Department. There being no objections by the council, the clerk was instructed to notify Fr. Tucker of the approval.

Mr. Dave Novak of the Park District of Forest Park notified the Village that The All School Picnic is scheduled for May 25th with a rain date of May 26th. He further requested help from Mr. Mike Sturino, the Public Works, Police and Fire Departments and thanked the Village for their past and continued support.

Mr. Gysbert Menninga, Hunger Walkathon West Coordinator requested permission to conduct their Crop Walk on May 7th beginning at 2:00 p.m. There being no objections by the council, the clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Menninga of the approval.

Ms. Laurie Kokenes of the Forest Park Chamber of Commerce was introduced to give a presentation in support of their annual funding request in the amount of \$10,000.00. Ms. Kokenes presented handouts to the Council for their information and gave an overview of the Chamber of Commerce, which has been in existence since 1912. She reminded the Council that the French Market is scheduled to open on May 13th and reported that the Chamber website is in the process of being updated. Ms. Kokenes asked that the Council consider the request for funding by the Chamber of Commerce when budgeting for the 2007 fiscal year.

Mr. Joe Locke was introduced as the Treasurer of the Main Street Association to give a presentation in support of their funding request in the amount of \$40,000 annually with a 5-year commitment. Mr. Locke stated that the State of Illinois discontinued funding Main Street at the same time that the Village of Forest Park stopped. Since that time, Main Street has been operating with all volunteers. The State Grant money is being reinstated and in order to receive the State money, Main Street must also receive funding from the local municipality and be working towards having a full-time executive director. He further stated that many of the businesses support the Main Street Association; however additional funds and a long term commitment are needed in order to move forward and to receive the State grants. Commissioner Steinbach asked Mr. Locke to forward a detailed budget for review. Mr. Locke agreed to do so.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Health and Safety, Fire and Police Departments and the Community Center submitted their March reports.

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 \$1,193,090.21

**R-20-06
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$1,193,090.21
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Gillian, Hosty, Steinbach and
Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Doolin

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

**O-24-06
ORDINANCE INCREASING
NUMBER OF RECREATION
BOARD MEMBERS
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Ordinance amending the Village Code of the Village of Forest Park to increase the number of Recreation Board Members 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 Steinbach and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to appoint Mr. William Walsh, Ms. Gretchen Schwartz and Mr. Edward Powell to the Recreation Board.

**WILLIAM WALSH,
GRETCHEN SCHWARTZ &
EDWARD POWELL
APPOINTED TO
RECREATION 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 Hosty that the Resolution approving an agreement between the Village of Forest Park and Automobile Mechanics' Local 701 IAM&AW and further authorizing the Mayor and the Village Clerk to execute and attest, respectively, said agreement be adopted.

**R-21-06
AGREEMENT WITH
AUTOMOBILE MECHANICS
LOCAL 701
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 Steinbach that the Resolution for the maintenance of streets and highways by municipality under the Illinois Highway Code be adopted.

**R-22-06
RESOLUTION FOR
MAINTENANCE OF
STREETS & HIGHWAYS
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

0-25-06

**ORDINANCE AMENDING
TAXICAB RATE OF FARES
APPROVED**

Commissioner Steinbach that the Ordinance amending the Village Code of the Village of Forest Park relating to taxicab rate of fares be adopted. Commissioner Gillian asked what the recourse would be for a resident if they are over charged by a taxicab. Village Attorney Michael Durkin replied that the resident would need to contact the Village of Forest Park to report the discrepancy. He further stated that the taxicabs should post and charge the appropriate rates per the ordinance. Commissioner Gillian asked whether the taxicabs would be provided with a rate sheet for posting within the cabs. Mr. Durkin stated that the Village of Forest Park should provide the rate sheets to the drivers. Mayor Calderone added that if a driver does not comply with the ordinance, their license can be withdrawn.

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 Steinbach that the resolution declaring the necessity and convenience regarding a taxicab license application re: United Mex Inc. be adopted.

**R-23-06
RESOLUTION APPROVING
UNITED MEX INC. TAXICAB
LICENSE
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 Gillian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Resolution providing for the levy of an additional Library Tax be adopted.

**R-24-06
RESOLUTION PROVIDING
FOR LEVY OF ADDITIONAL
LIBRARY TAX
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 Hosty to waive the requirements of Section 1-8A-3 of the Village Code of the Village of Forest Park and to approve that certain Letter of Agreement, between the Village of Forest Park and Oak/Leyden Developmental Services, Inc., which allows Oak/Leyden Developmental Services, Inc., to

**LETTER OF AGREEMENT
WITH OAK/LEYDEN
DEVELOPMENTAL
SERVICES, INC.
APPROVED**

provide limited refuse removal services for the Village of Forest Park's Madison Street Business District, and further authorize the Mayor's execution of such Letter of Agreement on behalf of the Village of Forest Park. Commissioner Steinbach explained that the agreement increases the schedule to include Saturdays between May 1 and October 31st.

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 Steinbach to direct the Village Attorney to prepare an ordinance regarding ZAH 2006-05 authorizing approval of the alteration of a legal non-conforming single-family residence, which property has a nonconforming northern side yard of 2.51 feet where 5 feet is required, to allow for the removal of a two-story enclosed porch off the rear of the existing residence, and the construction of a two-story rear addition, a first floor deck and an enclosed screen porch off the rear of the existing residence for the property located at 438 Circle Avenue, in a R-1 Low Density Residential District.

**MOTION RE: ZAH 2006-05
DIRECTING ATTORNEY TO
DRAFT ORDINANCE
APPROVING
ALTERATIONS TO A
LEGAL NON-CONFORMING
SINGLE-FAMILY
RESIDENCE AT 438
CIRCLE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Doolin reported that the new recycling program is underway. Allied Waste has mailed post cards to the residents that requested the larger recycling toter containers. The containers are scheduled to be delivered the 2nd week in May. There was a very encouraging resident response – there were 896 toters requested. In addition Commissioner Doolin reported that the City of Chicago is using the toter in some test areas to replace the “Blue Bag” program. Mayor Calderone added that this program should make our town cleaner and more efficient in the process of recycling.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk