

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING AUGUST 13, 2007**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone answered the Roll Call.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Tellalian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the minutes from the Closed Session Council meeting on July 9, 2007 and July 18, 2007 be tabled until they can be discussed in closed session.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Curry that the minutes from the July 18, 2007 Special meeting of the Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the minutes from the July 23, 2007 Appropriation Public Hearing be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the minutes from the July 23, 2007 regular meeting of the Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Gartner of 7431 Washington stated that he would like something done about the cars speeding 25 to 50 miles over the speed limit on Washington Street.

Ms. Odessa Bynum-Wynn of 7456 Washington stated that she spoke to the Deputy Police Chief about a Doberman that is as large as she that uses the balcony for waste and is locked up in the apartment causing abundant noise. This dog is at 7432 Washington. Ms. Bynum-Wynn requested that this situation needs to be addressed as this is a vicious dog and it needs more space. The second thing Ms. Bynum-Wynn spoke of was that Mr. Boyle did not return her phone calls regarding 7457 Washington, where the grass is extremely tall and there is an abandoned van parked there. She requested that this property be addressed as it is an eyesore to the community. Ms. Bynum-Wynn further agreed that there is a problem with speeding vehicles on Washington. The final issue that Ms. Bynum-Wynn spoke of was the play lot at Randolph and Circle. She stated that the teens are still hanging out there, tearing down the temporary fence and drinking alcohol. Furthermore, Commissioner Tellalian is the only name on the sign posted at the park. Ms. Bynum-Wynn expressed her desire to have all of the elected officials names posted.

Mr. Jerry Webster of 627 Circle Avenue stated that he is glad to see the changes on the Village website and to be able to read the agenda and the supporting documents. He expressed his thanks to the staff involved in the changes.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Phil Damato of the Forest Park Fire Department requested permission to solicit funds from the public on Friday, August 24 between the hours of 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. There were no objections and the clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Damato of the approval.

Ms. Kathy Stigler of the Girl Scouts Illinois Crossroads Council requested permission to hold their annual Fall Product Activity and Girl Scout Cookie Program. There were no objections and the clerk was instructed to notify Ms. Stigler of the approval.

Mr. Chris Guillen, resident, Community Education Council member, and Forest Park Main Street board member requested that flashing yellow lights and a 20 mph speed limit sign be installed on Roosevelt Road from Beloit to Harlem. It was discussed that Roosevelt Road falls under the jurisdiction of I.D.O.T. and that they must approve any changes made. It was decided to forego the Traffic and Safety Committee and to proceed with obtaining I.D.O.T. approval as soon as possible.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Finance, Public Health and Safety and Fire Departments submitted their July Reports.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins 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 \$596,294.92.

**R-47-07
RESOLUTION APPROVING
THE PAYMENT OF BILLS IN
THE AMOUNT OF
\$596,294.92
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Ordinance authorizing a variation in the regulations of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: ZBA 2007-10: 7542 West Adams be adopted. Commissioner Tellalian asked for assurance that the approval is contingent upon the installation of fire sprinklers. Commissioner Hosty stated that sprinklers are required by code. Commissioner Tellalian further requested clarification that once converted to condominiums, the building be required to be 70% owner occupied. Village Attorney Durkin stated that is stipulated in section 6D, where it shows a 30% maximum rental ratio.

**O-35-07
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
VARIATION IN THE ZONING
ORDINANCE RE: ZBA
2007-10: 7542 W. ADAMS
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Hoskins

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins that the Resolution authorizing the seven (7) contracts for management, entertainment and related equipment and authorizing the Mayor to execute such contracts for the Forest Park Centennial Fest be adopted.

**R-48-07
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
CONTRACTS FOR
CENTENNIAL FEST
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian to approve and authorize the purchase from Total Parking Solutions, Inc., of (a) four Cale Compact XL Pay-By-Space Terminals, at a total cost of \$49,088; (b) installation of such terminals at a total cost of \$2,400; (c) cellular communications for such terminals for a one-year period at a cost of \$2,640; and (d) a service and maintenance contract for the balance of one year at a cost of \$3,240, for a total cost not to exceed \$57,368, pursuant to Section 1-8A-3D. Commissioner Tellalian requested the estimated cost of maintenance and cellar service after the first year. Mr. Sturino stated that the communication method is cellular and the Village will pay the provider directly after the first year. The maintenance contract is primarily for the first year to cover working out any glitches in the system and equipment. After the first year, we will probably eliminate the maintenance contract and pay for repairs as-needed. Mr. Sturino further assured Commissioner Tellalian that he would confirm that the Village can use any cellular provider they wish once the first year is completed.

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
PURCHASE,
INSTALLATION AND
MAINTENANCE OF 4 CALE
PAY-BY-SPACE
TERMINALS NOT TO
EXCEED \$57,368
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to direct the Village direct the Village Attorney to prepare an ordinance regarding ZBA 2006-11 / PC 2007-01 granting and permitting a variation of Section 9-3B-3B(1) to allow the creation of two lots smaller than the minimum required in the R-2 Medium Density Residential District and a variation to Section 9-3B-4A to allow for the construction of a new home on a 31.5 foot wide lot that was not vacant as of June 27, 2005, and approving a plat of re-subdivision for the property located at 137 Desplaines Avenue, in a R-2 Medium Density Residential District, with a waiver of the provisions of Section 10-3-5A of the Subdivision Regulations of the Village Code consistent with the variations to be granted. Commissioner Tellalian stated that the front yard setback is stated as the average of the block and requested that the setback be either the code minimum or

**MOTION TO DIRECT
ATTORNEY TO PREPARE
ORDINANCE RE: ZBA
2006-11/PC 2007-01: 137
DESPLAINES AVENUE
APPROVED**

equal to the adjacent house. Commissioner Hosty stated that the average of the block is quoted in the staff report at 20.13 feet and that is consistent with the code.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to direct the Village Attorney to prepare an ordinance regarding ZBA 2007-15 / PC 2007-04 granting and permitting a variation of Section 9-3B-3B(1) to allow the creation of two lots smaller than the minimum required in the R-2 Medium Density Residential District and a variation to Section 9-3B-4A to allow for the construction of a new home on each newly created 31.25 foot wide lot that was not vacant as of June 27, 2005, and approving a plat of re-subdivision for the property located at 303 Marengo Avenue, in a R-2 Medium Density Residential District, with a waiver of the provisions of Section 10-3-5A of the Subdivision Regulations of the Village Code consistent with the variations to be granted. Commissioner Tellalian asked whether we are under obligation to grant the consolidation of the parcels. Mr. Durkin stated that if the consolidation does not require a variation, then the Village Council is under obligation to grant the consolidation. Mr. Durkin further stated that these are policy questions that are under the board's control and the board must apply these policies. The Village Council is not compelled to vote to approve a variation. Mr. Durkin further explained that the board may not deny a request to combine sub-standard sized lots.

**MOTION TO DIRECT
ATTORNEY TO PREPARE
ORDINANCE RE: ZBA 2007-
15/PC 2007-04: 303
MARENGO AVENUE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins to direct the Village Attorney to prepare an ordinance regarding ZBA 2007-14 authorizing approval of a variation from Section 9-3A-3B of the zoning code to permit an increase of permitted lot coverage to 46.4%, and from Section 9-3A-1 to reduce the required setback of a garage structure from the side lot line to 1.28 feet to allow the construction of a two-car detached garage for the property

**MOTION TO DIRECT
ATTORNEY TO PREPARE
ORDINANCE RE: ZBA2007-
14: 838 LATHROP AVENUE
APPROVED**

located at 838 Lathrop Avenue, in a R-1 Low Density Residential District. Commissioner Tellalian stated that he spoke to the adjacent property owners and they are not opposed.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Curry

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Curry that the Ordinance amending Chapter 4, entitled "Fire Prevention and Protection," of Title 8, entitled "Building Regulations," of the Code of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois, be adopted.

**O-36-07
ORDINANCE AMENDING
CHAPTER 4 OF TITLE 8 OF
THE CODE OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST
PARK
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

None

COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS

Commissioner Hoskins announced that the Forest Park Fire Department received a grant from Homeland Security to help pay for a new fire engine as well as for supplying free smoke detectors to Forest Park residents.

Commissioner Curry reminded all in attendance that Forest Park will be celebrating its centennial over Labor Day weekend. Commissioner Curry further urged public attendance at the August 20, 2007 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, where the zoning text amendments will be discussed. Last, Commissioner Curry reported that on July 13th a Forest Park woman was diagnosed with the West Nile Virus and reminded residents to take precautions against insect bites.

Commissioner Hosty reported that the expansion of the pocket park on the 1100 block of Lathrop should be completed by tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins to adjourn into closed session to consider the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, or to discuss whether a particular parcel should be acquired, or to consider the setting of the price for sale or lease of real estate owned by the public body and to discuss pending litigation and personnel matters.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk