

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING SEPTEMBER 10, 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 Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins that the minutes from the Regular Council meeting on August 27, 2007 be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct. Commissioner Tellalian requested a revision to page four of the minutes to read "Commissioner Tellalian pointed out the fact that the application had errors and incorrectly identified the owner as Barney O'Reilly." There were no objections. The clerk was instructed to take the roll call on the motion to approve the minutes as amended.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Ms. Pamela Fontana of 1104 Thomas requested that the Village install speed bumps in her alley. Commissioner Hosty suggested that the issue be referred to the Traffic and Safety Committee. There were no objections and the clerk was instructed to forward the communication to the Traffic and Safety Committee for review and recommendation.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Finance Department submitted its August report.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Tellalian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Resolution providing for the payment of bills be adopted. The Commissioner of

**R-54-07
RESOLUTION APPROVING
BILL PAYMENT 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 \$465,526.05.

**AMOUNT OF \$465,526.05
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 approving certain text amendments to the Forest Park Zoning Ordinance as codified in Title 9 of the Forest Park Village Code be adopted.

**O-40-07
ORDINANCE APPROVING
ZONING TEXT
AMENDMENTS
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian that the Ordinance fixing the salaries for the officials and employees of the Village of Forest Park from and after May 1, 2007, be adopted. It was moved by Commissioner Hoskins and seconded by Commissioner Curry to amend the proposed ordinance to move section 2c) Human Resource Director to section IV – Clerk’s Office and assign a range of \$15,000 - \$30,000 and leave Risk Management Safety Coordinator as section 2c) with an assigned salary of \$2,000.00. Commissioner Tellalian asked for clarification that the Human Resource Director is typically listed under Clerk’s Office. Commissioner Hoskins confirmed that to be true. The clerk was directed to call the roll call for the amendment.

**O-41-07
ORDINANCE FIXING
SALARIES FROM AND
AFTER MAY 1, 2007
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Tellalian stated that he would like to point out that the range of increase is about 4-5% versus the actual

consumer price index, expected to be about 2-3% in anticipation of continued improvements in the Village. The clerk was then directed to call the roll call for the main motion as amended.

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 Resolution declaring the necessity and convenience regarding a taxicab license application re: E-Cabs, Inc. be adopted. Commissioner Hosty stated that he was under the impression that the Village only has two taxicab licenses outstanding and this applicant is requesting three. Clerk Moritz confirmed that there are adequate licenses outstanding for this applicant.

**R-55-07
RESOLUTION APPROVING
TAXICAB BUSINESS
LICENSE FOR E-CABS,
INC.**

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 that the Ordinance authorizing the sale or disposition of surplus property of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois be approved.

**0-42-07
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
THE DISPOSITION OF
SURPLUS PROPERTY
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone introduced Firefighter Don Cheval and asked him to come up to the podium to be sworn in and promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Mayor Calderone administered the oath of office to Lt. Cheval and congratulated him on his promotion. Lt. Cheval thanked Mayor Calderone and told him that he would do the best he can for the Village and the members of the Fire Department.

**FIRE LIEUTENANT
DON CHEVAL SWORN IN**

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

None

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

Mayor Calderone stated that the Village Council made a commitment to fund Centennial Fest, a celebration of Forest Park's Centennial about one year ago. A committee was formed and several events have been held. There was a kick-off birthday party at Circle and Randolph Park, a promotional community elephant/art exhibit, the creation and donation of commemorative gummy elephant candies by Ferrara Pan Candy Company and last weekend, with the cooperation of the weather, the Centennial Fest, which was a smashing success. Mayor Calderone expressed his thanks and appreciation to the Fire Department, Police Department, Health and Safety Department, the Community Center and all of the departments' personnel, who did a terrific job. Mayor Calderone specifically thanked the Public Works department on the fabulous job they did on preparing the South Grove for this event, Judy Kovacs for her efforts over the weekend and to Sally Cody, who put her heart and soul into this fest. The sheer commitment the department heads, and employees and Sally Cody put into this truly showed. All in attendance stood and applauded in appreciation. Mayor Calderone stated that there was a large tent displaying historic artifacts as well as souvenirs.

Mayor Calderone reminded everyone in attendance that Saturday, September 15 we will be holding the Second Annual Rib Fest.

Commissioner Hoskins stated that the Fest went well and thanked Sally Cody, the Department Heads and Fire Chief Glinke for all their hard work. Commissioner Hoskins reported that he received feedback from guests expressing the Fest was impressive. Commissioner Hoskins further stated that he wants to see a YMCA in Forest Park.

Commissioner Curry stated that the South Grove Property looked good for the Fest and thanked the Public Works Department, Public Works Director, Bob Kutak and Sally Cody and the Centennial Committee for their planning and hard work. Commissioner Curry reported that there is a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting on September 17 and invited the public to attend. Commissioner Curry further expressed his appreciation to the employees for their hard work and dedication.

Commissioner Hosty echoed the previous comments on the Fest and noted that although he was not able to attend the fireworks, he was in Northlake and could see the fireworks from there. Commissioner Hosty thanked Mayor Calderone for coming up with the idea of holding a Centennial Fest.

Commissioner Tellalian expressed his thanks to Sally Cody, the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works Department and the residents of Forest Park.

Mayor Calderone announced the presence of special guests Anne and Ron Fenske, who traveled here from Colorado and are his sister and brother-in-law.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk