

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING JANUARY 28, 2008**

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 January 14, 2008 be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct. Commissioner Tellalian pointed out that after reviewing the video, it was discovered that the December 17, 2007 approved minutes are incorrect. It was agreed that the December 17, 2007 minutes will be brought before the Council at the February 11, 2008 meeting for review and possibly for amendment. Commissioner Tellalian expressed his desire for the minutes of January 14, 2008 to contain more detail. The clerk was instructed to call the roll call on the approval of the January 14, 2008 minutes.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: Commissioner Tellalian

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Mark Maller requested feedback regarding the status and plans for the vacant Mobil gas station as well as the date for putting the time capsule into the ground. It was suggested that Mr. Maller email Sally Cody regarding the time capsule and Health and Safety Director, Mike Boyle, will contact Mr. Maller if he has knowledge of any plans for the gas station.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Tim Kenny, Race Director, requested permission to hold the 12th Annual Golden Apple 5K Run in Forest Park on Sunday, November 2, 2008. There were no objections by the Village Council and the clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Kenny of the approval.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Community Center and Public Works Department submitted their December reports. The Mayor and Commissioners congratulated and thanked everyone in the Public Works Department and the Director for the excellent job they did in cleaning up after the snow storm.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian that the Resolution 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 \$629,739.57.

**R-04-08
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$629,739.57
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the resolution approving a collective bargaining agreement between the Village of Forest Park and the Forest Park Firefighters Association, Local 2753 be adopted. It was noted that the wage increases are 3%, 3%, 3.25% and 3.25% beginning May 1, 2006. It was further noted that all newly hired firefighters are required to hold a paramedic certification.

**R-05-08
RESOLUTION APPROVING
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
AGREEMENT WITH
FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL
2753
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 that the Ordinance granting a conditional use for a Restaurant in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: ZBA 2007-25: 7510 Madison Street be adopted.

**O-04-08
ORDINANCE GRANTING A
CONDITIONAL USE FOR A
RESTAURANT RE: ZBA
2007-25: 7510 MADISON
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 that the Ordinance granting a conditional use for a restaurant in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: ZBA 2007-24:7437 Madison be adopted.

**O-05-08
ORDINANCE GRANTING A
CONDITIONAL USE FOR A
RESTAURANT RE: ZBA
2007-24: 7437 MADISON
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 accept the Zoning Board of Appeals recommendation regarding ZBA 2007-23 to deny the requested variation to Section 9-2-4D in order to erect a shed in the front yard of the property located at 944 Troost Avenue in an R-2 Low Density Residential District based on the fact that the petitioner failed to achieve the criteria necessary to grant a variance, namely this situation was self created and the property owner would be receiving a special privilege as the construction negatively impacts the area, the construction endangers the public health and the plans are of a nature that do not conform with the requisite village requirements. It was discussed that staff will work with the property owner to find an alternative solution to their lack of storage.

**MOTION DENYING ZONING
VARIANCE RE: ZBA 2007-
23: 944 TROOST 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 Tellalian that the Resolution authorizing the participation in the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Cooperative (NIMEC) and authorizing the Mayor to approve a contract with the lowest cost electricity provider be adopted.

**R-06-08
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
PARTICIPATION IN NIMEC
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 that the Resolution approving the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Park District of Forest Park and the Village of Forest Park for

**R-07-08
RESOLUTION APPROVING
INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT WITH THE**

the collection and expenditure of donations for expanded scope of fireworks display during the Park District's 2008 4th of July Festival be adopted.

**PARK DISTRICT RE:
DONATIONS FOR 4TH OF
JULY FIREWORKS
DISPLAY
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 Tellalian that the Ordinance amending Sections 6-5-9 and 6-5-10 of the Code of the Village of Forest Park, regarding permit parking lots be adopted. It was discussed that night time visibility should not be a problem.

**O-06-08
ORDINANCE AMENDING
SECTIONS 6-5-9 AND 6-5-10
OF THE CODE OF FOREST
PARK RE: PERMIT
PARKING LOTS
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sturino introduced the matter of increasing water rates in response to the City of Chicago's 15% rate increase and requested feedback from the Village Council prior to the February 11, 2008 Council meeting. The matter will be before the Village Council at that time.

Mr. Sturino discussed potential changes to the Village's Taxicab Ordinance. The changes were suggested so that our local cab industry may be more effectively regulated and to promote public health and safety. An ordinance will be introduced in the near future for Council action.

Mr. Sturino reported that the CAD and RMS system equipment has been installed and the data conversion is approximately 1/3 complete. Staff training is ongoing. All squad cars have computer notebooks installed. The village is in the process of installing a new email system, which will be fully deployed by the end of February.

Director Mike Boyle has recommended a series of fee and fine increases which will be presented to the Council in February for consideration. In addition, code amendments will be forwarded in the near future for deliberation. Commissioner Hoskins questioned the need to increase fees as opposed to fines. It was discussed that Mr. Sturino and Mr. Boyle should research the ability to either keep fees the same or decrease those charged to property owners for permits.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

Commissioner Hoskins congratulated the Park District on the opening of their fully accessible new building, which includes an elevator. Commissioner Hoskins the Village Clerk/Human Resources director on the staff transitions in the Clerk's office. Commissioner Hoskins reminded all in attendance to vote in the primary election on February 5th.

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 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk