

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE  
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING DECEMBER 14, 2009**

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 Curry that the minutes from the November 23, 2009, 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. Bill Gerst announced that the Friends of the Park are holding meetings as follows: December 15<sup>th</sup> a postcard drive will be held in building #4, on December 17<sup>th</sup> there will be a second meeting to inform the public about the referendum to purchase the Roos property and the impact on property tax bills and on January 9<sup>th</sup> a pancake breakfast fundraiser will be held at Harrison Street Café from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Ms. Karen Richards stated that she is still trying to get justice for her son Tom and proceeded to distribute handouts to the Village Council. Mayor Calderone advised Ms. Richards (again) that she should follow the proper channels and seek approval of felony charges by the State's Attorney's office.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

The Police Department submitted their September and October report and the Finance Department submitted its November report.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Hoskins and seconded by Commissioner Hosty 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 \$1,181,746.25.

**R-83-09  
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$1,181,746.25  
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:**

The following individuals were recognized and presented with service awards for their respective years of service:

**PRESENTATION OF  
EMPLOYEE SERVICE  
AWARDS FOR 2009**

5 Years:

Firefighter Mike Kinder  
Firefighter Louis Davini

10 Years:

Officer Jose Flores  
Richard Barger – Community Center

15 Years:

Sgt. Steve Zanoni  
Officer Robert Kendall  
Officer Tom Hall  
Fire Lt. Russell Nelson  
Belinda Scollard – Secretary Dept. Health & Safety

20 Years:

Officer Harold Grimes  
Rick Barger – Public Works, Cert. Water Operator  
Terry Meffley – Community Center Trip Coord.

25 Years:

Susan Bothie – Village Clerk’s Ofc. – Accts. Payable  
Vito Gabino – Public Works  
Jay Trelenberg – Public Works

30 Years:

Sgt. Patrick Tierney  
Fire Lt. Don Cheval  
Firefighter Tom Matousek, Jr.  
Firefighter Craig Marousek  
Mike Raimondi – Public Works

Chief Ryan gave a summary of the major crimes that were solved over the last year, including one first degree attempted murder and many residential burglaries.

**POLICE CHIEF GIVES  
SUMMARY OF MAJOR  
CRIMES**

It was moved by Commissioner Hoskins and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to authorize and direct the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners of the Village of Forest Park to promote one firefighter to lieutenant, effective January 1, 2010, and to hire, as soon as practicable, one additional firefighter to fill the vacancy to be created by said promotion.

**AUTHORIZE BOARD OF  
FIRE AND POLICE  
COMMISSIONERS TO  
PROMOTE ONE  
LIEUTENANT AND HIRE  
ONE FIREFIGHTER  
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 Tellalian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Resolution authorizing the waiver of the hiring freeze for IMRF employees regarding the hiring of a Communication Operator be approved.

**R-84-09  
RESOLUTION TO WAIVE  
IMRF HIRING FREEZE TO  
HIRE COMMUNICATION  
OPERATOR  
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 Hoskins and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Resolution designating Open Meetings Act Compliance Officers in the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**R-85-09  
RESOLUTION  
DESIGNATING OPEN  
MEETINGS ACT  
COMPLIANCE OFFICERS  
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 Tellalian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Resolution designating Freedom

**R-86-09  
RESOLUTION**

of Information Officers in the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**DESIGNATING FREEDOM  
OF INFORMATION  
OFFICERS  
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 accept and approve the proposal of B&F Technical Code Services, Inc., dated November 9, 2009, for the review and update of the building codes of the Village of Forest Park, for an amount not to exceed \$2,300.00, and further move to authorize the Mayor to execute the proposal attached hereto on behalf of the Village of Forest Park.

**MOTION APPROVING  
PROPOSAL OF B&F  
TECHNICAL CODE  
SERVICES, INC.  
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 Hoskins that the Ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement establishing the Northern Illinois Municipal Gas Franchise Consortium be adopted.

**O-70-09  
ORDINANCE APPROVING  
IGA FOR NORTHERN  
ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL GAS  
FRANCHISE CONSORTIUM  
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 amending Title 9, entitled "Forest Park Zoning Ordinance," of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**O-71-09  
ORDINANCE AMENDING  
FOREST PARK ZONING  
ORDINANCE RE:  
DOWNTOWN BUSINESS  
DISTRICT  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-87-09  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
LEASE AGREEMENTS  
WITH XEROX  
CORPORATION  
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins that the Resolution approving lease agreements with Xerox Corporation for copying equipment at the Village Hall, Department of Public Health and Safety, Police Department and Community Center be adopted.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**O-72-09  
ANNUAL TAX LEVY  
ORDINANCE FY ENDING  
APRIL 30, 2010  
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Hoskins and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Annual Tax Levy Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2009 and ending April 30, 2010 be adopted.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**O-73-09  
ORDINANCE SPECIFYING  
FUNDS TO BE REDUCED  
BY COUNTY CLERK RE:  
TAX LIMITATION  
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins that the Ordinance specifying those funds to be reduced by the County Clerk in the event that the Village annual tax levy for 2009 exceeds a statutory tax limitation be adopted.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION AUTHORIZING  
AGREEMENT WITH MIKE  
MCINTYRE  
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Curry to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Mike McIntyre on behalf of the Howard Mohr Community Center for a band performance at its annual senior citizen New Year's Eve Party.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

## **VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Gillian reported that through the efforts of the Recreation Board, Commissioner Tellalian and Public Works Director, John Doss, the tot lot improvements at the park located at 1138 Lathrop have been completed. In addition, Mr. Gillian reminded those in attendance that Proviso Township and the Community Center Director have coordinated an extension program with the University of Illinois in which their mobile science laboratory will be brought to the Community Center in Forest Park on December 29, 2009. Over 100 students have registered to participate. Finally, Mr. Gillian stated that the goal and purpose of the B&F Technical review work is to adopt the International Code Council 2009 version of the building, electrical, plumbing and other codes. The Ordinance resulting from this review work is expected to be brought before the Council on the January 25 agenda.

## **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:**

Commissioner Hoskins wished all Happy Holidays.

Commissioner Curry congratulated and thanked those employees receiving years of service awards and wished all a Safe and Happy Christmas and New Year.

Commissioner Hosty wished all Happy Holidays.

Commissioner Tellalian reminded all that there is a Forum on Thursday evening at the Park regarding the purchase of the Roos property. In addition, Commissioner Tellalian noted that now that the Lathrop park is complete, the next project that he and the Recreation Board will focus on is updating the gazebo at North Park. Finally, Commissioner Tellalian wished all a Merry Christmas.

Mayor Calderone announced that for the 11<sup>th</sup> year, the Cook County Justice Assistance Grant (BADGE Grant) has been awarded to Forest Park. The purpose of the grant is to provide programming for at-risk children to reduce crime. This year we received a \$14,000.00 grant and the Police Chief is looking into an explorer scouting program. In addition, the Police Chief, Village Administrator and the Mayor are researching new ideas for the use of these funds. In addition, the Community Center is hosting a free Property Tax Appeal workshop on December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. and the Village is applying for additional \$60-90,000.00 CDBG grant funding for a "green alley" pilot through Cook County. The Community Center will be delivering food and toys to many local families next week and Mayor Calderone asked those who wish to contribute to contact Karen Dylewski at 708-771-7737. Last, Mayor Calderone wished all Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz  
Village Clerk