

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 23, 2009**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:05 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 Hoskins and seconded by Commissioner Curry that the minutes from the February 9, 2009 Regular Council meeting 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

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Matthew Sullivan of O'Sullivan's Public House made the annual request to use a portion of Marengo Avenue to erect a tent on Saturday, March 7, 2009 in order to provide an outside beer station and more space for the St. Patrick's Parade Day celebration. There were no objections and the clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Sullivan of the approval.

Mr. Steve Jankelow and Mr. Matt Creen of The Currie Group of Companies spoke in explanation of their request for consideration of the Village Council to enter into a revenue sharing agreement to help defray the cost of moving the Chevrolet dealership from Desplaines and Roosevelt to the current location of their Chrysler dealership at 8401 West Roosevelt. They stated that the lease for the Chevrolet dealership is expiring in September 2009. It was discussed that the tax sharing agreement that was in place with Jerry Gleason Chevrolet was not transferred to the current owners, but instead is still being paid to the original beneficiary. It was discussed that if the Village does eventually enter into an agreement with Currie, it would have to be transferrable, and in addition, the Village would like to require a "go dark" provision that the Village would be reimbursed if the business moves or closes. Mr. Creen further stated that they have received preliminary approval from General Motors to relocate the Chevy dealer subject to General Motors' process.

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded
By Commissioner Curry to engage Kane & McKenna

**MOTION TO ENGAGE KANE
AND MCKENNA TO NEGOTIATE**

to negotiate and structure an agreement with the Currie Group of Companies for consideration by the Village Council

**AN AGREEMENT WITH CURRIE
GROUP OF COMPANIES
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Deborah Terrell of the Salvation Army Metropolitan Division requested permission to hold their annual Donut Day on June 5 and 6, 2009 as well as the Red Kettle Campaign from November 13, 2009 through December 26, 2009. There were no objections and the clerk was instructed to notify Ms. Terrell of the approval.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Hoskins 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 \$389,784.81.

**R-12-09
RESOLUTION FOR
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$389,784.81
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 Hoskins and seconded by Commissioner Curry that the minutes from the January 21, 2009 Special Council meeting be approved, as amended, without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

**MINUTES OF JANUARY 21,
2009 SPECIAL MEETING
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty and Tellalian

NAYS: Mayor Calderone

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Mike Stirk of Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd (CBBEL) and Finance Director, Judith Kovacs, made a presentation to the Village Council outlining the various construction and road projects that have been planned for fiscal year 2009-10 as well as the Village’s share of the cost of these projects. Mr. Stirk explained that the actual cost as compared to the engineer’s cost estimates may be as much as ten to twenty percent lower due to the economic climate and contractor’s willingness to cut their profits in order to compete to obtain job awards. Mr. Stirk further stated that these jobs are currently out for bid and the final costs will be known in six to eight weeks. Ms. Kovacs stated that the current revenue estimates will not likely support the local share of the cost of the projects. Ms Kovacs further stated that if all of the construction projects are completed, it is possible that the Village revenues may fall about \$1.1 million short of the requirements to pay its \$2,261,000 share of the \$6,390,000 cost. It was noted that the final decision will need to be made by May and that there is usually some lag time before receiving the invoices from the State. Possible sources of a bond issue, Federal stimulus funding, TIF assets and potential grants were also discussed as solutions. It was discussed that the Village would receive benefits of about \$4.5 million in outside money if we move forward with the projects we should try to find a way to pay the Village’s portion.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING
2009 INFRASTRUCTURE
PROGRAM**

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian to table the purchase of a 2009 Elgin Pelican NP Sweeper from Standard Equipment.

**MOTION TO TABLE
PURCHASE OF STREET
SWEEPER
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Michael Boyle, Director, Department of Public Health and Safety, reported to the Village Council on the Community Development Block Grant Program via a memorandum on February 17th. Mr. Boyle was available for questions and commented that the Village’s options are limited. It was discussed that Mr. Boyle was asked to research and report to the Council and not to make any recommendations.

CDBG FUNDING UPDATE

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to approve the following process for selecting the final list of candidates to be interviewed by the full Village Council:

**MOTION ESTABLISHING
PARAMETERS FOR
SELECTING VILLAGE
ADMINISTRATOR**

1. Resumes will be accepted by the Village Clerk and

- copied to each elected official for review.
- 2. A two-member review team consisting of Commissioner Tellalian and Commissioner Curry will narrow down potential candidates.
- 3. Final interviews will be conducted by the entire Village Council.

It was decided that staff will create a comparison of all of the candidates on a grid for use by the Village Council. It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian to amend the main motion to approve the following process for selecting the final list of candidates to be interviewed by the full Village Council:

- 1. Resumes will be accepted by the Village Clerk and copied to each elected official for review.
- 2. Staff will create and distribute a comparison of all candidates on a grid.
- 3. A three-member review team consisting of Mayor Calderone and Commissioners Tellalian and Curry will narrow down potential candidates.
- 4. Each Commissioner and the Mayor will have the opportunity to recommend certain candidates to the review team for an interview.
- 5. Out of town candidates will be interviewed by telephone before the Village agrees to pay for transportation to Forest Park for an in-person interview.
- 6. Final interviews will be conducted by the entire Village Council.

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 Curry to authorize the Mayor to execute an engagement letter for auditing services with Crowe Horwath LLP, One Mid America Plaza, Suite 700, Oak Brook, Illinois.

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 to authorize the Mayor to execute the following agreements related to activities associated with the

MOTION TO AMEND MAIN MOTION ESTABLISHING PARAMETERS FOR SELECTING AND APPOINTING VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR APPROVED AS AMENDED

MOTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH CROWE HORWATH LLP APPROVED

MOTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH POTAWATAMI BINGO

Community Center:
Potawatomi Bingo Casino
Four Winds Casino Shuttle

**CASINO AND FOUR WINDS
CASINO SHUTTLE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Hoskins reported that the department heads have been diligent in restraining spending this year due to budget issues and hopefully this trend will continue. Commissioner Hoskins further requested that all preliminary 2009/2010 budget requests be labeled as core or non-core expenses by the department requesting the item.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Hoskins and seconded by Commissioner Curry to adjourn into closed session to discuss collective negotiating matters between public employers and their employees or representatives.

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 8:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk