

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING AUGUST 12, 2019**

Mayor Hoskins led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins answered the Roll Call. Commissioner Novak was absent.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the minutes from the July 22, 2019, Regular Meeting of the Village Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the minutes from the July 22, 2019, Appropriation Public Hearing be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Thomas Kovac expressed his concerns about agenda item #3, amending the zoning code to allow multi-family and single-family dwellings in the R-3 zone, as well as his concerns about the notification process for plan commission cases and public meeting notifications.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Police Department submitted its May and June, 2019 report.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Nero 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 \$695,135.55.

**R-50-19
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$695,135.55
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Hoskins announced that agenda items 1 through 5 are being withdrawn.

ITEMS 1-5 WITHDRAWN

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Resolution authorizing the execution of a Governmental Affairs Consulting Agreement by and between the Village of Forest Park and GPG Strategies, LLC be adopted.

**R-51-19
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
AGREEMENT WITH GPG
STRATEGIES LLC
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the award of the contract for the 2020 Brown Avenue TIF Improvements Project to Swallow Construction Corporation be adopted.

**R-52-19
RESOLUTION AWARDING
2020 BROWN AVENUE TIF
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the execution of Pay Request #3 for the 2019 Water Main Project to UNO Construction, Inc. be adopted.

**R-53-19
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING PAY
REQUEST #3 FOR WATER
MAIN PROJECT
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the execution of Pay Request #3 (Final) for the 2019 Green Alley Improvements Project to J. Nardulli Concrete, Inc. be adopted.

**R-54-19
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING PAY
REQUEST #3 (FINAL) FOR
GREEN ALLEY PROJECT
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Nero to direct the Forest Park Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to appoint one candidate from its current Firefighter Eligibility List to fill a vacancy.

**MOTION TO APPOINT ONE
FIREFIGHTER CANDIDATE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd to authorize and ratify the Mayor's signature on agreements with American Mobile Staging, R-Gang, Everett Dean and the Lonesome Hearts, Caliente, the Shagadelics and Chicago Architecture Foundation, associated with Community Relations functions organized by the Community Center.

**COMMUNITY CENTER
AGREEMENTS
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Voogd to approve the request from the Forest Park Chamber of Commerce to display banners promoting 5 different upcoming events.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
BANNER REQUEST
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes to approve the request from Hephzibah to display banners promoting their Kids Resale Event.

**HEPHZIBAH BANNER
REQUEST
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

None

COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS:

Mayor Hoskins reminded the Commissioners that the village is forming a local Complete Count Committee, and the names of any residents that they wish to nominate to serve on the committee should be forwarded to him. Mayor Hoskins also reported that he met with representatives from the Progress Center and added that they advocate for individuals with disabilities and create a positive experience within the village. The mayor invited the commissioners to visit the center to learn about the services they provide. Also, the village is working with the CTA regarding the unsanitary conditions at the blue line station. We are pushing for regularly scheduled maintenance. In addition, the last Groovn’ in the Grove will be held on Tuesday, August 20th at the picnic grove, District 91 is holding their annual back to school event on August 15th at the Middle School, all are welcome. Last, the Ribfest event will be held on September 7th in the picnic grove.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Nero moved and Commissioner Voogd seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Mayor Hoskins declared the meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz,
Village Clerk