

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING JULY 8, 2019**

Mayor Hoskins led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the minutes from the June 24, 2019, Regular Meeting of the Village Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Paul Price expressed his comments about the Responsible Bidder Ordinance that is on tonight's agenda for consideration. Mr. Price thanked the staff, attorney, Village Council and Mayor for putting forth this important legislation. Mr. Price further stated that he appreciates his tax dollars being spent wisely on contractors who pay a living wage.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Ms. Bridget Lane and Ms. Laurie Kokenes of the Forest Park Chamber of Commerce and Development spoke regarding the letter forwarded to the Village Council concerning the prospect of creating a Special Service Area on Madison Street. Their goal is to seek support for economic development and to provide a consistent source of funding. The Chamber appreciates the village's efforts and is requesting their assistance in the process. Ms. Lane further stated that the SSA request was approved unanimously by the Economic Development Committee, and requires that 51% of property owners in the SSA do not object to its creation. Money raised through the SSA would be spent on events, and village contributions would include providing staffing or consultants' help in the process. The Chamber will forward an SSA fact sheet to the clerk for distribution to the elected officials.

In addition, the Chamber expressed their appreciation for the village's annual funding, which is used in their marketing efforts, and requested a continued village contribution of \$25,000.00.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Fire Department submitted its May, 2019 report.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Novak and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes 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 \$794,216.26.

**R-42-19
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$794,216.26
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Novak that Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of the application for Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Green Infrastructure grant funding be adopted.

**R-43-19
RESOLUTION APPROVING
GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE
GRANT APPLICATION
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the execution of Pay Request #2 for the 2019 Green Alley Improvements Project to J. Nardulli Concrete, Inc. be adopted.

**R-44-19
RESOLUTION APPROVING
PAY REQUEST #2 FOR
2019 GREEN ALLEY
PROJECT
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the execution of Pay Request #2 for the 2019 Water Main Project to Uno Construction Co., Inc. be adopted.

**R-45-19
PAY REQUEST #2 FOR
WATER MAIN PROJECT
APPROVED BY
RESOLUTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Novak and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Ordinance approving, authorizing and ratifying the establishment of a loan from Forest Park National Bank be adopted.

**O-18-19
ORDINANCE APPROVING
AUTO LOAN
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Voogd to authorize and ratify the Mayor's signature on agreements with Paramount Theatre, associated with Community Relations functions organized by the Community Center.

**COMMUNITY CENTER
AGREEMENTS
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Novak and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution approving the specifications and authorizing the advertising of bids for the Village of Forest Park Brown Street 2019 TIF Improvements Project be adopted.

**R-46-19
RESOLUTION APPROVING
SPECIFICATIONS AND
BIDDING FOR BROWN
STREET TIF
IMPROVEMENTS
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**O-19-19
ORDINANCE AMENDING
SECTION 1-8A-5,
ESTABLISHING
RESPONSIBLE BIDDER
REQUIREMENTS
APPROVED, AS AMENDED**

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Ordinance amending Section 1-8A-5 of the code of the Village of Forest Park, establishing Responsible Bidder Requirements be adopted.

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Ordinance amending Section 1-8A-5 of the code of the Village of Forest Park, establishing Responsible Bidder Requirements be amended by striking “or are reasonably equivalent to such programs” from section 2-i of the proposed Ordinance.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

The clerk was instructed to call the roll call on the main motion, as amended.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously and the Ordinance was adopted, as amended.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

Mr. Gillian reported the following:

- The Brown Street project is scheduled for bid opening on July 25, 2019 and the award of the contract will be on the August 12, 2019, Council Meeting.
- About a month ago, there was a citizen request for the village to make space available for butterflies. After researching the idea, Commissioner Voogd, Director Doss and two Public Works staff members, Pat Braniff and Steve Knysch followed through with installing plants that attract butterflies at the park located at Lathrop and Roosevelt. Butterflies have already starting gather in this park and more plants will be added to the landscaping at the administration building.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS:

Commissioner Byrnes commended the Police, Fire, Streets and Public Works departments for their work and assistance to the Park District for the Fourth of July celebration and fireworks.

Commissioner Nero reminded Department Heads to talk to their staff and remind them about focusing and safety after the long holiday weekend. In addition, Commissioner Nero was happy to report that the requested crosswalk near the CTA station has been completed, as requested.

Commissioner Voogd expressed her appreciation for the butterfly garden and to Administrator Gillian for removing all Styrofoam cups from village departments.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor Hoskins declared the meeting adjourned at 7:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz, Village Clerk