

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE  
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING APRIL 25, 2016**

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

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone answered the Roll Call.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler that the minutes from the April 11, 2016, Regular Meeting of the Village Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler  
and Mayor Calderone

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Amber Ladeira publicly thanked the Village Officials and Departments on behalf of everyone at Empowering Gardens on Madison Street. They held a ribbon cutting ceremony and grand opening on Saturday, which was very well attended.

Mr. Nick Ardinger spoke in support of comprehensive economic development.

Mr. Patrick McManus asked for more attention to the rat problem occurring along Madison Street.

The following individuals spoke on the topic of video gaming in Forest Park:

In support:

- Dennis Miller
- Chris Fleming
- Patrick McManus
- Larry Moskas

Against:

- Kate Nolan
- Patrick Jacknow
- Matthew Brown
- Noel Eberline

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

None

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix 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 \$721,019.04.

**R-22-16  
RESOLUTION FOR THE  
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$721,019.04  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

The Village Council discussed the information provided by the Village Administrator regarding Video Gaming. The following was determined:

**DISCUSSION OF  
ADMINISTRATOR’S MEMO  
REGARDING VIDEO  
GAMING**

- The village can regulate signs via the sign code that applies to all signs in the village.
- A public forum will be held. Staff was instructed to arrange the forum by the end of May, 2016. The date should be set in the next 2-3 days.
- The forum will be loosely based on the format used by Riverside in March, with a panel and moderator.
- Suggested panel members: a person from a town with a downtown and video gaming, a person from a town that decided against VG after holding a forum, Chief Aftanas or another Chief from a town that has VG, a Mayor from a town that has VG, a representative from the State of Illinois
- Suggested moderator – Laurie Kokenes from the Forest Park Chamber of Commerce
- Staff was directed to obtain more information on:
  - What other towns are using the revenue for
  - The impact on the annual budget
  - Police reports on crime stats from a town that has VG.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler that the Resolution approving Amendment #1 to a Local Public Agency Agreement for Federal Participation with the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding Madison Street right-of-way improvements be adopted.

**R-23-16  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
AMENDMENT TO IDOT  
AGREEMENT FOR  
MADISON RIGHT-OF-WAY  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Novak that the Resolution ratifying the execution of and approving the application for CDBG 2016 Program Year Grant be adopted.

**R-24-16  
RESOLUTION RATIFYING  
2016 CDBG GRANT  
APPLICATION  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler that the Ordinance correcting a minor scrivener's error in the legal description set forth in Village of Forest Park Ordinance Numbers O-01-15, O-02-15 and O-03-15 of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois be adopted.

**0-07-16  
ORDINANCE CORRECTING  
ORDINANCES O-01-15,  
O-02-15 AND O-03-15  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler and Mayor Calderone

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Ordinance approving an amendment releasing parcels from the Redevelopment Project Area of the Roosevelt Road/Hannah Avenue Tax Increment Financing District for the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois be adopted.

**O-08-16  
ORDINANCE APPROVING  
AMENDMENT TO  
ROOSEVELT ROAD  
/HANNAH AVENUE TIF  
DISTRICT  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler  
and Mayor Calderone

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Novak and seconded by  
Commissioner Entler that the request from St. Bernardine’s to  
solicit funds be approved.

**ST. BERNARDINE’S  
FUNDRAISING REQUEST  
APPROVED BY MOTION**

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler  
and Mayor Calderone

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by  
Commissioner Entler to approve and authorize the Mayor’s  
signature on the following agreements:

- John Tomassone (Brass from the Past)
- Sharon Dusek (Rev. Bob)
- William Syniar (R-Gang)

**ENTERTAINMENT  
AGREEMENTS FOR 2016  
GROOV’N IN THE GROVE  
APPROVED BY MOTION**

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Novak, Entler  
and Mayor Calderone

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:**

None

**COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS:**

Commissioner Novak reported that the Little League opening day is on May 7, 2016, and the 1<sup>st</sup> pitch will go out at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Novak further expressed his appreciation to all of the Forest Park business that sponsor the teams and the Park District of Forest Park.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz  
Village Clerk