

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING AUGUST 10, 2015**

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 July 27, 2015, Appropriation Public Hearing be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Mannix, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the minutes from the July 27, 2015, 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 Byrnes, Mannix, Entler
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Novak

The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Michelle Fitz-Henry, a 12-year Forest Park homeowner distributed a packet to the elected officials and spoke about her concerns about foreclosed homes that are being purchased by negligent property owners and/or worked on without permits and without protection to other nearby properties. Her home has sustained approximately \$4,765.00 in damages from this owner and his contractors. Last, Ms. Fitz-Henry offered to be a part of the solution and serve on a committee dedicated to protecting innocent home owners and the community.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Finance Department submitted its June, 2015 report. The Police Department submitted its January through June, 2015 report and the Community Center submitted its July-August, 2015 report.

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 \$367,086.97.

**R-71-15
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$367,086.97
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Chief Aftanas announced his appointment of Michael Keating to the position of Deputy Chief of Police. Mayor Calderone administered the oath of office to Deputy Chief Michael Keating.

**MICHAEL KEATING
APPOINTED AS
DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE**

Chief Aftanas announced the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners' promotion of Christopher Chin to the position of Sergeant of Police. Mayor Calderone administered the oath of office to Sergeant Christopher Chin. Further, Mayor Calderone presented Sergeant Chin with a Life Saving Award for his exemplary performance and his quick thinking and action in saving the life of a pedestrian who was struck by a truck, severing her leg. If not for Sergeant Chin's actions and training, this individual would have lost her life.

**CHRISTOPHER CHIN
PROMOTED TO THE
POSITION OF
SERGEANT OF POLICE**

**SERGEANT CHIN
PRESENTED WITH
LIFE-SAVING AWARD**

Chief Glinke announced the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners' appointment of former contract paramedic, Aaron Hannan to the position of Firefighter. Mayor Calderone administered the oath of office to Firefighter Hannan.

**AARON HANNAN
APPOINTED TO THE
POSITION OF
FIREFIGHTER**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler to appoint Ms. Lin Beribak to the Forest Park Library Board. Ms. Beribak was recognized for her willingness to serve on the board.

**MS. LIN BERIBAK
APPOINTED TO THE
LIBRARY BOARD**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Resolution consenting to and supporting approval of Class 6b Incentive Abatement for the abandoned property commonly described as 7609 Industrial Drive in the Village of Forest Park, Illinois be adopted. It was noted that Robert Warren of Thule is in attendance and will be employing 100-plus people once they open the facility

**R-72-15
RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING APPROVAL
OF CLASS 6(B) INCENTIVE
FOR 7609 INDUSTRIAL
DRIVE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler that the Ordinance granting a conditional use for a Restaurant at 7444 Madison Street in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: ZBA 2015-05: 7444 Madison Street be adopted.

**O-18-15
ORDINANCE GRANTING
CONDITIONAL USE FOR A
RESTAURANT AT 7444
MADISON STREET
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code re: Madison Street Improvements be adopted.

**R-73-15
RESOLUTION FOR
MADISON STREET I.D.O.T.
MFT
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-74-15
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
AGREEMENT WITH
MERCURY SYSTEMS
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler that the Resolution authorizing the execution of an Agreement with Mercury Systems to provide maintenance services for the Emergency 9-11 System of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**WEST COOK YMCA
BANNER REQUEST
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes to approved the request from the West Cook YMCA to display a banner at Circle

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**ST. JOHN LUTHERAN
CHURCH BANNER
REQUEST
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler to approve the request from St. John Lutheran Church to display banners at Circle and Madison promoting its various events through the next year.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
BANNER REQUEST
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes to approve the request from the Forest Park Chamber of Commerce and Development to display banners on Madison Street promoting its Sidewalk Sale on August 27, 28, 29 and 30, 2015.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

None

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Byrnes expressed his appreciation to Village Administrator Gillian for the construction update email earlier today.

Mayor Calderone announced that the village will be holding their 10th Annual Ribfest on Saturday, September 12th at the Picnic Grove at the Altenheim and complimented Karen Dylewski and the entire staff at the Community Center on all their hard work in putting this event together every year.

ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Entler to adjourn into closed session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees and to discuss collective negotiation matters.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz, Village Clerk
Clerk