

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE  
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, APRIL 26, 2021**

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 Novak that the minutes from the April 8, 2021, Special 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

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the minutes from the April 8, 2021, Closed Session 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

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Novak and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the minutes from the April 12, 2021, 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

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Nicola Hale expressed her concerns about the expansion of Farmington Foods and their history of non-compliance with noise and operational restrictions.

Business owners, Lynn Sorice, Marty Sorice, Matt Sullivan, Jim Buckley and Chris Fleming expressed their concern about shortening the hours of liquor sales and its effect on their business. They requested the village work with them to come to a different solution to the problem.

Ms. Kristen Lyons expressed her concerns about trash and litter in the village. Ms. Lyons has been coordinating a volunteer effort to clean up different areas of Forest Park and made suggestions for solutions to some of the trash issues.

Mr. Thomas Kovac expressed his concerns about the expansion of Farmington Foods and urged the Village Council to reject the current proposal.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

The Fire Department submitted its March 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 \$628,529.61.

**R-30-21  
APPROVAL OF BILLS IN  
THE AMOUNT OF  
\$628,529.61  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Ordinance authorizing the execution of an amendment to a Planned Unit Development agreement and granting a conditional use permit for an amendment to a planned unit development for Farmington Foods, in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: PC 2021-01: 7419, 7431, 7445 Franklin Street be adopted. It was discussed that the parties were able to work out the issues over the last couple weeks. The rooftop deck will only be accessible to administrative staff and the village's noise ordinance can be enforced if it becomes an issue. Further, the issue of idling trucks should improve with the new signage, the fence will help with the light and noise, on-site circulation is now limited at night and staff fully supports this version of the ordinance.

**O-07-21  
ORDINANCE AMENDING  
FARMINGTON PLANNED  
UNIT DEVELOPMENT  
AGREEMENT  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Ordinance temporarily amending hours of sale and delivery of alcoholic liquor in Class A1, A7 and A8 Liquor Licensed Establishments in the Village of Forest Park, Illinois be adopted. Mayor Hoskins outlined some of the measures being taken by the village, to help with the many bar fights experienced in recent months, and stressed that this is a temporary measure.

**O-08-21  
ORDINANCE AMENDING  
HOURS FOR LIQUOR  
SALES  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYES:** Commissioner Novak

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Resolution approving an agreement between the Village of Forest Park and Automobile Mechanics' Local 701, IAM&AW be adopted.

**R-31-21  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
AUTO MECHANICS' UNION  
CONTRACT  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Novak and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a First Amendment to a Personnel Services Contract between the Village of Forest Park and Metro Paramedic Services, Inc. be adopted.

**R-32-21  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
METRO PARAMEDIC  
SERVICES CONTRACT  
AMENDMENT  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Forest Park and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago for the permeable paver parking lot project (510 Des Plaines Avenue) be adopted.

**R-33-21  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
IGA WITH MWRD FOR  
PERMEABLE PAVER  
PARKING LOT AT 510 DES  
PLAINES  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing a Subrecipient Agreement between the Village of Forest Park and the County of Cook for 2020 Community Development Block Grant Program Year Agreement (14<sup>th</sup> Street – Circle Avenue to Harlem Avenue Resurfacing Project) be adopted.

**R-34-21  
RESOLUTION  
AUTHORIZING CDBG 2020  
AGREEMENT FOR 14<sup>TH</sup>  
STREET RESURFACING  
PROJECT  
APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-35-21  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
J.U.L.I.E. SOFTWARE  
AGREEMENT WITH  
AMERICAN COMPUTER  
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes that the Resolution authorizing the execution of a Lite Software Maintenance Agreement with American Computer and Communications, Inc. for the Tele Ticket Lite J.U.L.I.E. Software for the Village of Forest Park, Illinois be adopted.

**ROLL CALL:**  
**AYES:** Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins  
**NAYES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
The motion carried unanimously.

**R-36-21  
RESOLUTION AWARDED  
2020 WATERMAIN  
REPLACEMENT AND  
RESURFACING PROJECT  
TO UNO CONSTRUCTION  
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the award of the contract for the 2020 Watermain Replacement and Resurfacing Project for the Village of Forest Park (7700 Block Monroe and 400-600 Blocks Thomas) be adopted.

**ROLL CALL:**  
**AYES:** Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins  
**NAYES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNITY CENTER  
RAFFLE PERMIT  
APPROVED BY MOTION**

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes to approve the raffle permit requested by the Forest Park Community Center.

**ROLL CALL:**  
**AYES:** Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins  
**NAYES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
The motion carried unanimously.

**STEVE RUMMEL  
REAPPOINTED TO POLICE  
PENSION BOARD  
APPROVED BY MOTION**

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Byrnes to reappoint Steve Rummel to the Police Pension Board.

**ROLL CALL:**  
**AYES:** Commissioners Novak, Byrnes, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins  
**NAYES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
The motion carried unanimously.

## **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

None

## **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:**

Commissioner Byrnes thanked Steve Glinke and the Building Department for their work in bringing the Farmington Foods amendment to an agreement. The commissioner also expressed his appreciation to the Forest Park Police Officers.

Commissioner Nero reported that a lot of projects and work are going on in the village, including some projects being paid for with grant money and echoed Commissioner Byrnes on his comments of appreciation to the Police Department. The commissioner further commended John Doss, Sal Stella and the Public Works department for taking care of all the extra trash around Madison Street.

Commissioner Voogd reported that we will be celebrating Arbor Day on Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> with a small celebration and tree planting just north of the front entrance of Field Stevenson elementary school, as well as the installation of the Tree City USA plaque and display of the Tree City flag at Village Hall. In addition, the week of May 16<sup>th</sup> is Public Works Week. The village will be holding an electronic recycling event that week. Residents can drop off electronics for recycling at the Public Works Garage on 15<sup>th</sup> Street or leave large electronics on the parkway for pickup that week. The commissioner is coordinating a volunteer Community Cleanup day on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, in coordination with the Park District. Last, there was an official kickoff of the Altenheim demolition project and Commissioner Voogd stated that she is looking forward to a public discussion on the disposition of the green space.

Mayor Hoskins reported that the Governor announced that people over 16 are now eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. In addition, the vaccination site in Forest Park is now accepting walk-ins. The mayor congratulated Eagle Scout Candidate, Henry Wagner, son of Jill and Ned Wagner. Henry is a high school senior who coordinated and built raised garden beds at the Community Center. May Day is May 1<sup>st</sup> and the Forest Park Historical Society is conducting activities, including tours of the Forest Home Cemetery and the Haymarket Monument. There will be an honorary street naming for Jim Nadeau commemorating the contributions he and Nadeau Ice Sculptures have made to Forest Park. The ceremony will be held on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Last, the mayor commented that the temporary amendment to the liquor hours has been a long time coming. Forest Park has become a destination and the village is using all of the tools available to maintain the quality of life in its residential neighborhoods.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Mayor Hoskins declared the meeting adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz  
Village Clerk