

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, MAY 9, 2022**

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

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Byrnes, Maxham, 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 Maxham that the minutes from the April 25, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Maxham that the minutes from the April 25, 2022, Closed Session Meeting of the Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

None

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 bills totaled \$358,309.79.

**R-44-22
RESOLUTION APPROVING
BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$358,309.79
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Hoskins presented an Outstanding Service Award to Mr. Isaac Samuel Beal for serving 30 years as a Neighborhood Watch Ambassador. Mr. Beal thanked the Village Council for recognizing him today, adding that he always wanted what's right for Forest Park. It was noted that Mr. Beal was one of the original Neighborhood Watch members.

**MR. ISAAC BEAL
RECOGNIZED FOR 30
YEARS SERVICE ON
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Ordinance authorizing the sale or disposition of surplus property (Public Works Vehicles) of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**O-17-22
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
SALE OF SURPLUS
PROPERTY
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Ordinance waiving bid and authorizing the acceptance of a proposal from PowerDMS, a NEOGOV company, for the purchase and implementation of the village's police department policy management and training practices be adopted.

**O-18-22
ORDINANCE TO
PURCHASE POLICE
DEPARTMENT POLICY
MANAGEMENT FROM
POWERDMS
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Maxham that the Ordinance authorizing the purchase of one fully equipped 2023 Ford E450 WC3170 Gas Ambulance be adopted.

**O-19-22
ORDINANCE TO
PURCHASE 2023 FORD
E450 AMBULANCE
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Ordinance amending various sections of the Village of Forest park Code to eliminate the Plan Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals and create a Planning and Zoning Commission in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois, re: ZBA 2022-01, be adopted.

**O-20-22
ORDINANCE CREATING
PLANNING AND ZONING
COMMISSION
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Resolution appointing the initial members of the Planning and Zoning Commission be adopted.

**R-45-22
RESOLUTION APPOINTING
MEMBERS OF PLANNING
AND ZONING COMMISSION
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Maxham, 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 to approve and authorize the execution of a Professional Engineering Services Proposal for Phase II Design by and between Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. and the Village of Forest Park for 2022 Alley Improvement Project be adopted.

**R-46-22
RESOLUTION APPROVING
AGREEMENT FOR 2022
ALLY PROJECT WITH
CHRISTOPHER BURKE
ENGINEERING, LTD.
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Maxham, 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 the award for the 15th Street Sewer Separation Project to Uno Construction Co., Inc. be adopted.

**R-47-22
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING 15TH
STREET SEWER
SEPARATION PROJECT
AWARD TO UNO
CONSTRUCTION
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Maxham, 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 approving the specifications and authorizing the advertising of bids for the Village of Forest Park Jackson Boulevard Lead Water Service Replacement Project be adopted.

**R-48-22
RESOLUTION APPROVING
SPECIFICATIONS AND
BIDDING FOR JACKSON
BLVD. LEAD WATER
SERVICE PROJECT
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-49-22
RESOLUTION APPROVING
ENTERTAINMENT
MANAGEMENT
AGREEMENT FOR RIBFEST
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Resolution approving the execution of a Professional Services Agreement for Music Entertainment Management and Logistical Supervision for Live Entertainment for Ribfest between Entertainment Group and the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**BOARD OF FIRE AND
POLICE COMMISSIONERS
DIRECTED TO APPOINT
ONE PROBATIONARY
POLICE OFFICER
APPROVED BY MOTION**

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

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNITY CENTER
AGREEMENTS
APPROVED BY MOTION**

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Maxham to authorize the mayor's signature on agreements with Lake Geneva Cruise Line, White Pines Playhouse and Jacob Henry Mansion Estate, associated with Senior Citizen and Community Relations functions organized by the Community Center

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**LATHROP HOUSE CAFÉ
ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE
APPLICATION
APPROVED BY MOTION**

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Maxham to approve the entertainment license application submitted by Lathrop House Café, 26 Lathrop Avenue.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by
Commissioner Nero to approve the entertainment license
application submitted by Blueberry Hill, 427 Des Plaines
Avenue.

**BLUEBERRY HILL
ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE
APPLICATION
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by
Commissioner Maxham to approve the entertainment license
application submitted by Carole’s Next Best Thing, 7307
Roosevelt Road.

**CAROLE’S
ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE
APPLICATION
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by
Commissioner Nero to approve the entertainment license
application submitted by Pioneer Tap, 7445 Randolph.

**PIONEER TAP
ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE
APPLICATION
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**SHORTSTOP LOUNGE
ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE
APPLICATION
DENIED**

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero to approve the entertainment license application submitted by Shortstop Lounge, 7425 Madison Street. It was discussed that the application needs to specify the type of entertainment and not leave it open to either music from a laptop or acoustical guitar entertainment

ROLL CALL:

AYES: None

NAYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Maxham, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

ABSENT: None

The motion failed.

**DOC RYAN'S
ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE
APPLICATION
DENIED**

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero to approve the entertainment license application submitted by Doc Ryan's 7432 Madison Street. It was discussed that the time frame requested does not follow the code and the type of entertainment was not clear or specified.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: None

NAYES: Commissioners Byrnes, Maxham, Nero, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

ABSENT: None

The motion failed.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator Amidei reported that 2 alley projects for this year are pending bid pricing. The village has also applied for state funding for the future lead water service replacement requirement. Last, the lead water service lines along the Jackson Street project will be replaced this year in coordination with the street resurfacing.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Byrnes congratulated Mr. Beal and thanked him for his service on the Neighborhood Watch

Commissioner Maxham likewise congratulated Mr. Beal and thanked him for the good work he has put into the town. In addition, the commissioner reported that Housing Forward is working in cooperation with the village to clean up the site of a homeless encampment and are working to find a home for the person who was living there. The county has also agreed to clean up the areas around their property. Last, the newly created combined Planning and Zoning board will have their first meeting on Monday, May 16th. This change will streamline the process for applicants going forward.

Commissioner Nero expressed his appreciation to Administrator Amidei and Village Engineer Amelio for their patience and hard work on the capital improvements plan. The commissioner further advised that road closures and construction updates can be found on the village's website and Facebook page. Last, Commissioner Nero congratulated Mr. Beal on the recognition award he received tonight.

Commissioner Voogd thanked Mr. Beal for his efforts on the Neighborhood Watch as well as Juliet Harrington for her Dog Park fundraising efforts. Donations can be made via the village's website. The Arbor Day tree planting event was well attended, and included people from both District 91 and MWRD. The Community Cleanup Day event had to be cancelled due to rain. Public Works week is May 16th through the 21st, and will include the annual electronics drop off recycling as well as bulk item pickup from the parkway. There was a wonderful response and many applications for membership on the Altenheim Steering Committee. Interviews will be held this week. The commissioner thanked all those who took the time to apply and offered to volunteer. Dog Park permits from last year expired on April 30th and those wishing to use the park will be required to renew or apply for a permit as the lock is changing on May 16th, and is re-keyed each year. Last, the commissioner reminded any property owners wishing to make changes to the parkway areas, that a permit is required and directed them to the village code for the guidelines and requirements.

Mayor Hoskins reported that he a special group of 4th graders from Mrs. Dale's class to a tour of Village Hall, the Fire Department and the Police Department. It was an incredible experience and the students were able to attend the Firefighters' Lifesaving Award Ceremony. Firefighters Hankus, Torres, Piotrowsi and Kempka saved an unconscious woman from her burning home in River Forest a couple months ago. The students were also able to see the video display from the village's new street camera system in the Police Department. The Chamber's annual meeting is being held this Wednesday at McAdams Landscaping on Des Plaines, including a mini taste of Forest Park. Last, the mayor reported that he has received inquiries about a Pride celebration in June. There will be more information coming in the near future.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Nero moved and Commissioner Byrnes seconded to adjourn into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c) to consider collective bargaining matters and the compensation of specific employees. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk