# THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 27, 2022

Mayor Hoskins led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:25 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 Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the minutes from the June 13, 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.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

# **COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

The Fire Department submitted its May, 2022 Report.

# **APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Maxham that the Resolution for the payment of bills be adopted. The bills totaled \$385,884.15.

R-56-22 RESOLUTION APPROVING BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$385,884.15 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:**

It was moved by Commissioner Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Maxham that the Ordinance amending Section 3-3-6 of the Village Code of Ordinances of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County Illinois be adopted. It was noted that the purpose of the ordinance is to add a Class A Liquor License for Madison Park Kitchen.

O-26-22 ORDINANCE AMENDING NUMBER OF LIQUOR LICENSES 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 Ordinance rescinding Ordinance O-15-22 and waiving bid and authorizing the acceptance of a proposal from Midco Diving & Marine Services, Inc. for the specialized services required to inspect and remove sediment from two (2) village underground water reservoirs within the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

O-27-22
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
SERVICES FROM MIDCO
DIVING & MARINE
SERVICES, INC.
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 Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Ordinance amending Chapter 3, entitled "Trees, Shrubs and Vegetation," of Title 7, entitled "Public Ways and Property," of the municipal code of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

O-28-22
ORDINANCE AMENDING
VILLAGE CODE
REGARDING TREES
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 Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Ordinance authorizing the purchase of one 2022 Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper be adopted.

O-29-22 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF STREET SWEEPER 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 Resolution adopting a Public Right-of-Way ADA Transition Plan for the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

R-57-22 RESOLUTION ADOPTING PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ADA TRANSITION PLAN 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 to approve the request from the Salvation Army to conduct their annual Red Kettle Campaign from November 1 through December 24, 2022.

SALVATION ARMY FUNDRAISING REQUEST 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 Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Maxham to approve the banner request submitted by the Historical Society of Forest Park for their fundraiser to be held on July 16, 2022.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY
BANNER REQUEST
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 Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Maxham to approve the raffle license application submitted by the Historical Society of Forest Park for their fundraiser to be held on July 16, 2022.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY
RAFFLE 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 Voogd to approve the request from Forest Park Theatre regarding the use of the Grove for six performances in the month of August, 2022.

FOREST PARK THEATRE
REQUEST TO HOLD
PERFORMANCES AT THE
GROVE
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 Byrnes and seconded by Commissioner Maxham to approve the entertainment license application submitted by Fiore Pizza and Bakery, 7407 Madison Street.

FIORE PIZZA AND BAKERY 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.

Clerk Moritz read the Mayor's Proclamation for National Rail Safety Week from September 19<sup>th</sup> through September 25<sup>th</sup>.

# **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Administrator Amidei encouraged the public to look at the Tree Inventory Summary and Urban Forestry Management Plan documents, created to guide and plan for the urban canopy over a 10-year period. These documents can be found within tonight's meeting packet. The administrator expressed his gratitude to the Progress Center for their participation and input into the ADA Transition Plan, which was adopted this evening. Last Mr. Amidei thanked all of the staff involved in contributing to the success of the Pride Fest and the German Fest over the last week. He was impressed and proud of these community events, showcasing Forest Park's diversity and celebrations.

# **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:**

Commissioner Byrnes echoed the administrator's comments about the Pride event and German Fest, adding that he also attended the ribbon cutting, car show and grand opening at Mr. Beef and Pizza. Last, the Commissioner expressed his gratitude to Finance Director, Tish Olmsted, for a great job on the annual village budget and workshop.

Commissioner Maxham seconded Commissioner Byrnes' comments about Director Olmsted, and thanked her for all of the great information. The commissioner further talked about the Night Ministry, a group that works in Forest Park supporting the homeless. The commissioner met with Night Ministry, along with Director Glinke, Library Director, Pilar Shaker, Housing Forward representatives, and the doctor in charge of Loyola Street Medicine. The group discussed the homeless population in Forest Park and coordinating with the Shower Up program, to bring mobile showers to people suffering from homelessness. The combined group is working on providing case workers, case management, food, hygiene supplies, and winter gear to the homeless. The village could supply the water hookup for the shower program. The commissioner was excited about this amazing opportunity to provide services for people experiencing homelessness. Last, Commissioner Maxham reported that the Altenheim Steering Committee will be holding their first meeting in July.

Commissioner Nero reported that the Safety and Traffic Commission met last Thursday. The commissioner explained the process for resolving issues and invited the public to reach out to him or the commission. The commission thanked Director Olmsted for a great job on the budgeting process. Commissioner Nero then commented on the Mr. Beef & Pizza car show, which went wonderfully, adding it was great for the community. Last, the commissioner wished all a happy and safe Fourth of July holiday.

Commissioner Voogd echoed Moses with regard to his comments about the tree reports, which are very interesting to read and will help preserve the urban forest and help with the budget process. The commissioner commented that they had a great meeting with Planning Consultant Courtney and the

committee. Last, Commissioner Voogd expressed her gratitude to Director Olmsted for her work on the budget this year.

Mayor Hoskins expressed his gratitude to all of the village departments and workers who contributed to the success of the inaugural Juneteenth Parade. There were 7 mayors on the float, as well as U.S. Representative Danny Davis. Last Tuesday, the village held its first of three Groovn' in the Grove, with the band Soda. It was extremely warm out, but there were still about 140 attendees. The mayor thanked Erich Krumrei from Play it Again Sports for his leadership and efforts on the Pride event on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. There was a well-attended ribbon cutting and car show event at Mr. Beef and Pizza on Harlem. The new pastor at Forest Park Baptist Church offered to let them expand into their parking lot if they are interested. There was a C-4 signing event at Triton College. Nine mayors, Senator Don Harman and Senator Kimberly Lightford also attended.

# **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 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz Village Clerk