

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 13, 2022**

Mayor Hoskins led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:06 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 May 23, 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

Mr. Burhan Syed expressed his concerns about pedestrian safety and speeding traffic in the east-west alley behind Starbucks, along Madison Street, and suggested the village add speed bumps or some other traffic control method.

Ms. Karen Rozmus submitted public comment to be read by the clerk. Ms. Rozmus offered to refresh the pride colors painted on Madison Street between Beloit and Ferdinand, on behalf of the Forest Park Arts Alliance.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Finance Department submitted its 2022 Fiscal Year End 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 \$436,592.92.

**R-53-22
RESOLUTION APPROVING
BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$436,592.92
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 Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Ordinance granting site plan approval for a U-Haul Storage Facility at 7209 Harrison Street in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: PZC 2022-01: 7209 Harrison Street be adopted. The proposed structure is 6 stories, contains 1,066 storage units and provides 20 parking spaces. U-Haul plans to tear down the existing 9,818 square foot facility, which was used for repairs. The repairs operation has been moved to Bellwood. There was no zoning relief sought. Security features include key card access, with individual unit alarms and cameras throughout. After a lengthy discussion about parking, the village’s comprehensive plan, and landscape improvements, the clerk was instructed to take the roll.

**O-25-22
SITE PLAN APPROVAL
FOR U-HAUL STORAGE
FACILITY AT 7209
HARRISON
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero,
and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: Commissioner Byrnes

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Voogd

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Nero to table the Ordinance for the purchase of a street sweeper, until the June 27, 2022, meeting, in order to allow time to explore an electric street sweeper.

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
PURCHASE OF ELGIN
STREET SWEEPER
TABLED UNTIL 6-27-22**

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 that the Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the Village of Forest Park and certain members of the West Suburban Municipalities and Cross-Community Climate Collaboration be adopted.

**R-54-22
RESOLUTION APPROVING
MOU WITH WEST
SUBURBAN C-4
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 of the contract for the Jackson Boulevard Residential Lead Water Service Replacement Project for the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**R-55-22
RESOLUTION AWARDING
CONTRACT FOR JACKSON
LEAD WATER SERVICE
REPLACEMENT PROJECT
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 Byrnes to approve the entertainment license application submitted by Lathrop House Café, 26 Lathrop Avenue.

**LATHROP HOUSE
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.

**MR. BEEF AND PIZZA
SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT
FOR GRAND OPENING ON
JUNE 26, 2022
APPROVED BY MOTION**

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero to amend the Entertainment License Application for Mr. Beef & Pizza, to approve a Special Event Permit for the Mr. Beef Grand Opening Event, on June, 26, 2022, including playing of outdoor music, to be located at 123 Harlem Avenue.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION TO APPROVE
ARTS ALLIANCE REQUEST
WITHDRAWN**

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Voogd to approve the request from the Forest Park Arts Alliance to refresh the pride colors painted on Madison Street. After discussion, the motion and the second were withdrawn. No roll call was taken.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Voogd to appoint the following individuals to the Altenheim Advisory Committee:

- Roberto Escalante
- David Gulyas
- Kurt Hansen
- Therese O'Brien
- Karen Swinger
- Marty Tellalian
- Mark Zinni
- Scott Presslak
- Steven Rouse
- Jocelyn Sims
- Geoff Smith

**INDIVIDUALS APPOINTED
TO AD HOC ALTENHEIM
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator Amidei reported that the approval of the Jackson Residential Lead Water Service Replacement Project represents the beginning of a 20-years of efforts to eradicate lead water service lines to residential properties. The village has applied for funding help from the State, since the estimated cost of this mandate is approximately \$20 million.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Byrnes thanked all those who attended, participated and contributed to the Kiwanis fundraising event, anticipating the 100th anniversary of the group on January 25th. The Kiwanis Club raises money to support programs for disadvantaged children, kids camp and hospital expenses as well as West Suburban Special Recreation and Proviso scholarships.

Commissioner Maxham reminded residents that, with all the rain we've been receiving, grass and weeds have been growing quickly, warning that citations could be received for growth over 10 inches.

Commissioner Nero requested that there be some clarity in the language or process for obtaining entertainment licenses, as well as the addition of an Arts Ordinance, so that these issues are not revisited at each meeting. In addition, the commissioner reported that the Safety and Traffic Commission is meeting this Thursday, and residents with concerns about these issues should feel free to email him or attend the meeting and speak at public comment.

Commissioner Voogd reported that the Recreation Board needs a couple more members and is having difficulty meeting due to the quorum requirements. Anyone interested in volunteering for this board, can either email the commissioner or find the volunteer application on the village's website. The commissioner also expressed her gratitude to the Public Works crews for their hard work keeping the weeds and landscaping in good condition around the village. Last, Public Works is looking for summer help and encourages interested individuals to apply in person or through the website.

Mayor Hoskins congratulated the Village Council members on 100% perfect attendance at the Memorial Day Ceremony, held at the park. In addition, the mayor received word today from United States Senator Durbin's office that the Army is pulling out of the property at 7402 Roosevelt Road. The property will be going up for sale. The village is getting familiarized with the Federal System, with the goal of acquiring the property from the Federal Government.

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 8:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk