

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 13, 2023**

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

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins answered the Roll Call. Commissioner Nero was absent.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the minutes from the October 23, 2023, 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 Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the minutes from the October 23, 2023, Closed Session meeting of the Council be approved.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Resolution for the payment of bills be adopted. The bills totaled \$1,655,643.77.

**R-98-23
APPROVAL OF BILLS IN
THE AMOUNT OF
\$1,655,643.77
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Ordinance approving an amendment releasing parcels from the Redevelopment Project Area of the Brown Street Station-Harlem Avenue Tax Increment Financing District for the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois be adopted.

**O-50-23
ORDINANCE RELEASING
PARCELS FROM BROWN
STREET STATION-HARLEM
AVENUE TIF DISTRICT
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Ordinance authorizing the sale or disposition of Surplus Property of the Village of Forest Park (transceivers and hard driver) be adopted.

**O-51-23
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
SALE OF SURPLUS
PROPERTY
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

**O-52-23
ORDINANCE AMENDING
CLASS AND NUMBER OF
LIQUOR LICENSES
APPROVED AS AMENDED**

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Ordinance amending section 3-3-6, entitled "License Fee and Number" of Chapter 3, entitled "Liquor Control" of Title 3, entitled "Business and License Regulations" of the village code of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin to amend the number of A licenses from 18 to 17, due to Lathrop House being closed.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

The clerk was instructed to call the roll call on the original motion, as amended.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

**O-53-23
ORDINANCE GRANTING
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
FOR CANNABIS INFUSER
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Ordinance granting a conditional use permit for an adult use cannabis infuser in the I-1 District in the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: PZC 2023-04: 1525 Circle be adopted. It was discussed that all loading/unloading will be obscured from public sight and will be a secure area. In addition, all appropriate safety measures will be addressed.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

**R-99-23
RESOLUTION APPROVING
PAY REQUEST #7 FOR
2023 WATER MAIN
PROJECT
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the execution of Pay Request #7 for the 2023 Water Main Project to Uno Construction Co., Inc. (Wilcox & Ferdinand) be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Resolution approving the 2024 agreement with Edward-Elmhurst Occupational Health Services for a substance abuse random management program in the Village of Forest Park, Illinois be adopted.

**R-100-23
RESOLUTION APPROVING
2024 RANDOM
MANAGEMENT DRUG
TESTING PROGRAM
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution approving Pay Request #1 for the 2023 Wilcox & Ferdinand Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Resurfacing Improvements project to A Lamp Concrete Contractors, Inc. be adopted.

**R-101-23
RESOLUTION APPROVING
PAY REQUEST #1 FOR
2023 WILCOX &
FERDINAND
RESURFACING
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Resolution authorizing the waiver of the hiring freeze for IMRF employees regarding the hiring of one (1) AFSCME Police Department Information Management Desk Clerk Employee be adopted.

**R-102-23
RESOLUTION WAIVING
IMRF HIRING FREEZE RE:
POLICE DESK CLERK
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin to authorize and ratify the mayor's signature on a Raffle License for St. Luke and St. Bernardine Parish related to their Game Day fundraising event on November 5, 2023.

**STS. LUKE AND
BERNARDINE RAFFLE
PERMIT APPROVED AND
RATIFIED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Interim Village Administrator, Rachell Entler, reported that the village's street leaf pickup program ends at the end of November and urged residents to refrain from parking on the street if at all possible to assist Public Works with the program. The Police Department will be holding a Citizen's Police Academy starting in January, 2024. Last, the administrator reported that Village Hall is closed on Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and 24th for the Thanksgiving Holiday and wished all those in attendance a Happy Thanksgiving.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Maxham reported that her department held a training session for the Planning and Zoning Commission members, which she also attended. The commissioner thanked Director Glinke for his efforts and for holding the training. Last Saturday, District 91 PTO held a Day of Service, benefitting the Forest Park Community Fridge. The commissioner expressed her gratitude to the PTO and all of the volunteers who helped. Commissioner Maxham further thanked Mike Thompson, Joseph Byrnes and the Police Department for the Veteran's Day Ceremony they held. Last, the Chamber's Wine Walk was successfully held on November 4th.

Commissioner Melin-Rogovin reported that she attended the Planning and Zoning Commission training event, the Wine Walk, the Veteran's Day Ceremony, the District 91 Book Fair, the District 209 School event and appreciated both the Arts Alliance and Public Works for holding/setting up the Fiber Flash at Constitution Court. The commissioner expressed her gratitude to all those who attended the Flagpole dedication and flag-raising event, especially the Boy Scouts Troop 107, along with the American Legion. The Historical Society now has a new online map that residents can use to research their house and the village streets. Last, the commissioner attended an Awards Celebration for the Iron Workers of Forest Park, who received an achievement award. The celebration was hosted by Chicago Women in Trades.

Commissioner Voogd reported that the village's inaugural Pumpkin Smash was amazing and the children loved it. The commissioner thanked Geoff Binns-Calvey and Amy Binns-Calvey for their efforts, as well as Tuff Coat and Schauer Hardware for sponsoring the event. Other individuals recognized for their help with the event were Megan Hunt, Public Works Director, Sal Stella, Dylan Ryan, Paul Richards and Dan Marcus. The commissioner visited most of the businesses in Forest Park who provide carry out food, to remind them about the single-use plastic ordinance and

regulations that patrons are required to request the plastic ware. Commissioner Voogd was also thrilled to be invited to the Fiber Flash ribbon cutting ceremony at Constitution Court, thanking Bridget Lane for all her and the Arts Alliance's efforts. Last the commissioner expressed her gratitude to Joseph Byrnes, Michael Thompson and the Forest Park Police Department for the Veteran's Day Ceremony.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Maxham moved and Commissioner Melin-Rogovin seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Mayor Hoskins declared the meeting adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz, Village Clerk