

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, JULY 8, 2024**

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 June 24, 2024, Regular 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 \$519,274.80.

**R-53-24
APPROVAL OF BILLS IN
THE AMOUNT OF
\$519,274.80
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:

Mr. Scott Whitebone gave a presentation to the Councilmembers about the Environmental Control Commission and their activities. The commission is currently providing a monthly newsletter, supporting the village’s single-use plastic ordinance, and researching subjects such as recycling, sustainable landscaping, urban farming, and composting. The members are currently working on a Sustainability Fair to be held on September 28th at the Library, advocating bike friendly improvements, sustainable parkway landscaping solutions, ordinance recommendations and creating and awarding environmental awards to citizens.

**ENVIRONMENTAL
CONTROL COMMISSION
PRESENTATION**

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution approving Pay Request #2 for the Water Tower Paving Project from Chicagoland Paving Contractors, Inc. be adopted.

**R-54-24
RESOLUTION APPROVING
PAY REQUEST #2 FOR
WATER TOWER PAVING
PROJECT
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 Resolution authorizing the contract award for the 2024 Madison Street Parking Lot sealcoating project to M&J Asphalt Paving, Inc. be adopted.

**R-55-24
RESOLUTION AWARDED
MADISON STREET
PARKING LOT
SEALCOATING PROJECT
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 Resolution authorizing the contract award for the 2024 Madison Street Site Furnishings Project to Misfits Construction Company be adopted.

**R-56-24
RESOLUTION AWARDING
MADISON STREET SITE
FURNISHINGS PROJECT
APPROVED AS AMENDED**

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Maxham to amend the Resolution for the award of the Madison Street Furnishings Project by removing the Community Events Sign in the amount of \$28,500.00 from the contract.

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 Resolution, as amended.

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 Resolution authorizing the contract award for the 2024 Madison Street Landscaping Project to Emerald Site Services, LLC be adopted.

**R-57-24
RESOLUTION AWARDING
MADISON STREET
LANDSCAPING PROJECT
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 the specifications and authorizing the advertising of bids for the Village of Forest Park Ferdinand Avenue Watermain Replacement and Resurfacing Project (Madison Street to Jackson Boulevard) be adopted.

**R-58-24
RESOLUTION APPROVING
SPECIFICATIONS AND
BIDDING FOR FERDINAND
WATERMAIN PROJECT
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 to approve and authorize the execution of a Professional Engineering Services Proposal for Phase II Design for the 2025 Green Alley Project by and between Christopher B. Burke Engineering and the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**R-59-24
RESOLUTION APPROVING
ENGINEERING
AGREEMENT FOR 2025
GREEN ALLEY PROJECT
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 to approve and authorize the execution of a Professional Engineering Services Proposal for the 2025 Lead Service Line Replacement Project Loan Application Assistance and Bidding Documents by and between Christopher B. Burke Engineering and the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**R-60-24
RESOLUTION APPROVING
ENGINEERING
AGREEMENT FOR 2025
LEAD SERVICE LINE LOAN
APPLICATION AND
BIDDING
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 Ordinance authorizing the lease with option to purchase and maintenance for mail folding and stuffing equipment from Pitney Bowes be adopted.

**O-22-24
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
PITNEY BOWES FOLDING
STUFFING EQUIPMENT
LEASE
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 to approve the request from the Arts Alliance Garage Galleries Committee to display banners promoting their event on August 24, 2024.

**ARTS ALLIANCE GARAGE
GALLERIES BANNER
REQUEST
APPROVED BY MOTION**

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 to approve the request from the Forest Park Theatre regarding use of the Grove for performances between August 2, 2024, and August 18, 2024.

**FOREST PARK THEATRE
REQUEST TO HOLD
PERFORMANCES IN THE
GROVE
APPROVED MY MOTION**

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 Maxham to approve the request from Hawk Auto Group to display banners promoting their USO Barbeque for the Troops fundraising event, being held on July 13, 2024.

**HAWK AUTO GROUP
BANNER REQUEST
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Nero

The motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

None

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Maxham thanked the Environmental Control Commission for their report tonight as well as the Park District for the great fireworks display on July 4th. The commissioner also reported that there will be a budget meeting on July 11th at 4:00 and an Appropriation Hearing on July 22nd before the Council meeting.

Commissioner Melin-Rogovin reminded residents that there will be a Bike Safety Carnival on July 13th in Constitution Court at 9:00 a.m. and thanked the village staff and businesses who helped organize the event. The commissioner also thanked the Police Department for hosting her on a ride-along, where she learned a lot about the operations of the department.

Commissioner Voogd reported that Public Works has had a very busy couple of weeks, working hard with the events happening in town. There will be a Forest Preserve Clean Up Day event in Miller Meadow on July 20th from 10:00 to 1:00, which is hosted by the League of Women Voters and Environment Illinois.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Maxham moved, and Commissioner Melin-Rogovin seconded to adjourn into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) to discuss collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives. The motion carried.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Belmonte, Village Clerk