

**APPROVED MINUTES - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK
HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 19TH 2010 AT 7:30 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF OAK PARK VILLAGE HALL**

OFFICIAL RECORD

PRESENT: Trustees Brewer (8:30 PM), Hedges, Johnson, Lueck and Pate, and President Pope
ABSENT: Trustee Hale
QUORUM: President Pope called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and declared that a quorum was present.

AGENDA

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda for the meeting. A voice vote was taken and the agenda was approved.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 4th, 2010 be approved. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as written.

RESOLUTION

Supporting Investigation of the FDIC's Seizure of Park National Bank/FBOP

It was moved and seconded to concur in a Resolution to Support United States House of Representatives Financial Services Committee hearings to investigate the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's seizure of Park National Bank/FBOP and sale to USBancorp. A voice vote was taken and the Resolution was adopted.

PROCLAMATION

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday
January 18, 2010**

It was moved and seconded to concur in a Proclamation to declare January 18, 2010 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday observance in the Village of Oak Park. A voice vote was taken and the Proclamation was adopted.

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT

- A.** Village Manager Tom Barwin reported that final plans for both the Ridgeland and East Avenue projects have been forwarded to IDOT for bidding in March and April, respectively, and work should begin this summer. Bids were opened on December 30th for inspecting the five water mains that run under the Eisenhower Expressway. Final plans for Roosevelt Road are scheduled to be submitted to IDOT in early February for April release for bidding. ComEd is installing Smart Meters and has covered most of south Oak Park already. The goal is to help people save money on

their electric bills, and for Oak Park to become a Smart Grid. Village Manager Barwin hopes to start a blog about sustainability efforts like this in Oak Park.

CITIZEN COMMISSION VACANCIES

- B. It was moved and seconded to approve the appointment of Jim Kelly as Chair of the Citizen Involvement Commission, with a term to expire January 19, 2013. A voice vote was taken and the appointment was approved. Mr. Kelly then urged residents to consider volunteer service as a meaningful way to become involved in public life. He praised the 200 residents currently service on Boards and Commissions, and explained that the Citizen Involvement Commission interviews new candidates every other month. Interested parties can download a packet from the Village web site, or can be sent the packet by mail by calling the Office of the Village Clerk at 358-5670.

CITIZEN COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

- C. President Pope suggested the remaining appointments be taken together; there was no objection. It was then moved and seconded to concur in the following appointments by President Pope:

Citizen Involvement Commission

Reappointment of Joseph Nery, as Member, with a term to expire January 16, 2013

Appointment of Ed Schmitt, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

Community Design Commission

Appointment of Douglas Chien, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

Community Relations Commission

Appointment of Bradley Foreman, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

Environmental and Energy Advisory Commission

Appointment of Richard Shoum, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

Farmers Market Commission

Appointment of Stacey Jutila, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

Appointment of Robert Melican, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

Appointment of Grant Jones, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

Fire and Police Commission

Reappointment of Donna Cervini, as Member, with a term to expire January 30, 2013

Public Art Advisory Commission

Appointment of Bridget Reinhard, as Member (student), with a term to expire January 19, 2011

Telecommunications Commission

Appointment of Ronald Morrison, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

Transportation Commission

Appointment of John Dagnon, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

Universal Access Commission

Appointment of Joel Sheffel, as Member, with a term to expire January 19, 2013

A voice vote was taken and the appointments were approved.

REVISED FIRST READING**D. REVISED FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK ADDING CHAPTER 30 ENTITLED "SPECIAL EVENTS"**

Village Attorney Ray Heise and Village Clerk Teresa Powell explained that comments made by the Board of Trustees when the new ordinance was first introduced at the October 19, 2009 meeting were incorporated into this revision. Further, an invitation to a Special Event "Summit" was sent to sponsors of all 2009 events, and the meeting was held on January 8, 2010. The revised ordinance was presented, and even more feedback was received. Certain items (parking) were taken off the table. Other items (indemnification) were greatly modified. 'Walks' for causes were taken out of the Special Event class. Each Trustee provided critique and analysis, and a newly revised ordinance was requested.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michele Donley, 931 Chicago Avenue, voiced her concerns about the Special Events Ordinance.

Jim Kelly, 1043 South Harvey, representing the South East Oak Park Association, articulated concerns about the special event insurance requirement for small neighborhood associations.

FIRST READING**E. FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 2 OF THE VILLAGE CODE ENTITLED "LICENSE FEE SCHEDULE"**

Village Clerk Powell explained that the amendment was needed to distinguish between Dry Cleaners with a dry cleaning plant and those Dry Cleaners that were drop off – pick up only. Further, the amendment creates a new class of Solicitor for businesses based in Oak Park with a brick and mortar office. The Board directed that this amendment return immediately for adoption.

N. FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 2 OF THE VILLAGE CODE ENTITLED "FARMERS' MARKET"

Melissa Wittenberg, Chair of the Farmers Market Commission, and Meredith Conn, Manager of the Farmers Market, introduced the recommended amendments to the Farmers Market Ordinance and Rules of Operation. In particular, it was recommended to remove the Local Retailer category and permit only grower-producers to remain. After lengthy discussion, the Board directed that the Commission rework and resubmit their recommendations.

REGULAR AGENDA

*All Ordinances and Resolutions adopted herein
are herewith ordered filed in the Office of the Village Clerk*

F. It was moved and seconded that Resolution 2010-R-013 entitled RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS HOUSING ENDORSEMENT CRITERIA be adopted.

Housing Programs Manager Tammie Grossman outlined the request by the Steering Committee of this collaborative of six near west communities (Bellwood, Berwyn, Broadview, Forest Park, Maywood and Oak Park) to adopt the Housing Endorsement Criteria to guide decision making.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Hale

The resolution was adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA

G. Motion to Deny the Request for the Vacation of Village Owned Property-Scoville Avenue between the East/West Alley and Roosevelt Road

H. Motion to Accept the Zoning Board of Appeals' Recommendation & Findings of Facts as Proposed and Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Documents for a Special Use Permit for a Wireless Facility Located at 169 N. Grove Avenue

I. Motion to Refer Application for Special Use Permit Submitted by Frank Dobbs on Behalf of Clear Wireless LLC. To Construct a Wireless Broadband Facility at 715 Lake Street to the Zoning Board of Appeals to Hold a Public Hearing

J. Resolution 2010-R-014 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH NATIONAL POWER RODDING CORPORATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$62,5000

- K. Resolution 2010-R-015 entitled **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE AND THE FAIR HOUSING ACTION PLAN**
- K1. Resolution 2010-R-016 entitled **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR FAIR HOUSING ACTION PLAN**
- L. Resolution 2010-R-017 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REHABILITATION LOAN AND A LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION GRANT: SFR-028**
- M. Resolution 2010-R-018 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REHABILITATION LOAN AND A LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION GRANT: SFR-030**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Anthony Turano, 6520 Roosevelt Road, was saddened by the denial of the request to vacate property in Item G.

Daniel Fore, 1116 Garfield, commented on Fair Housing.

Approve the Consent Agenda

It was moved and seconded to approve the items under the Consent Agenda.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck and Pate, and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Hale

The Consent Agenda was adopted.

CALL TO THE BOARD AND CLERK

Village Clerk Powell thanked the Board of Trustees for the swift appointment of Jim Kelly as Chair of the Citizen Involvement Commission. Clerk Powell also praised staff person Linda Barajas for conducting a Drive for Supplies for Soldiers serving in Iraq on her own time in December. Finally, Clerk Powell described the recent meeting at the Carleton Hotel with representatives of the Illinois Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration discussing their plans to widen the Eisenhower Expressway (I-290). She urged residents to follow this topic and support public transit options.

Trustee Lueck announced a League of Women Voters' Candidates Fair on January 30th. Trustee Lueck also spoke of the Impediments to Fair Housing Report, which will require Board Action.

Trustee Brewer urged certain residents to raise the level of their discourse regarding the Lake and Forest development. Trustee Brewer had received – as had other Trustees - hostile emails containing accusations of kickbacks and promising jail time.

Trustee Johnson agreed with Trustee Brewer, lamenting continuing public misunderstandings about the Lake and Forest development project. Trustee Johnson thanked Village Manager Barwin for his leadership on the Smart Meters project. Trustee Johnson warned citizens about Internet scams pertaining to donations for Haiti; however the link on the Village website was safe as it was connected directly to the Red Cross. He also mentioned that winter clothing donations are being taken at Calvary Memorial Church.

President Pope shared that he would be travelling to Washington, D.C. for the U.S. Conference of Mayors Winter Meeting, and would attend the House of Representatives Finance Committee hearing on Park National Bank's take over. Finally, President Pope expressed his pride in those Oak Parkers who defended the diverse families of Beye School.

ADJOURN

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:09 P.M. Monday, January 19th, 2010.

SUBMITTED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF:

By: Karen M. Muriello
Deputy Village Clerk

Teresa Powell, Village Clerk