

**APPROVED MINUTES - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK
HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH, 2010 AT 7:30 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF OAK PARK VILLAGE HALL**

OFFICIAL RECORD

PRESENT: Trustees Brewer, Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck and Pate; President Pope
ABSENT: None
QUORUM: President Pope called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. and declared that a quorum was present.

AGENDA

President Pope announced that Items D and F would be removed from the agenda. It was moved and seconded to approve the amended agenda for the meeting . A voice vote was taken and the agenda was approved as amended.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Special Meeting of October 26, 2010 and the Special Meeting of November 4, 2010 be approved. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as presented.

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 1, 2010 be approved. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as presented. Trustee Pate abstained.

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PRESENTATIONS

Deputy Chief Anthony Ambrose, Police Chief Certification Recognition – Chief Michael Holub, LaGrange Police Department Presenting

Chief of Police Rick Tanksley introduced Chief Michael Holub, representing the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police. Chief Holub recognized Deputy Chief Anthony Ambrose for achieving Police Chief Certification. Deputy Chief Ambrose joins only 140 others in the state of Illinois who are designated as Certified.

American Planning Association – 2010 Great Places in America Frank Lloyd Wright – Prairie School of Architecture Historic District

President Pope introduced Bruce Knight, President of the American Planning Association. Mr. Knight presented the Village a certificate designating the Village of Oak Park's Frank Lloyd Wright-Prairie School of Architecture Historic District as one of the 2010 Great Places in America under the category of Great Neighborhoods.

Annual Community Design Commission Cavalcade of Pride Awards

Community Design Commission Chair Bob Tucker presented the Cavalcade of Pride Awards for the following categories; Single Family Residential, Multiple-Family Residential, Commercial, Special Use and Good Neighbor.

PROCLAMATION

National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week – November 14-20, 2010

It was moved and seconded to concur in a Proclamation to recognize November 14 – 20 2010 as National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week in the Village of Oak Park. President Pope read the Proclamation aloud. A voice vote was taken and the Proclamation was adopted.

Lynda Schueler, Director of West Suburban PADS, thanked the Board and spoke about services provided by her organization.

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT

- A. Village Manager Tom Barwin announced that the overnight parking ban will not be enforced on most residential streets during the Thanksgiving holiday weekend beginning at 2:30 a.m. Thursday, November 25. Restrictions will resume at 2:30 a.m. Monday, November 29.

Refuse and recycling pickup would be delayed by one day due to the holiday. November 29 will begin the final week of leaf pickup.

The Health Department is sponsoring a Women's Health Issue Workshop on December 1.

Lastly, Mr. Barwin announced on behalf of School District 97 that they have extended their deadline to December 3 for residents to participate in a survey regarding a possible tax referendum in spring 2011. The survey is available on the school's website.

CITIZEN COMMISSION VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENTS

- B. President Pope referred to the Board and Commission vacancy report, and urged residents to volunteer.
- C. It was moved and seconded to concur in the following appointments by President Pope.

Board of Health

Appointment of Cathy Yen, as Member, with a term to expire November 15, 2013

Building Codes Advisory Commission

Appointment of Matthew Visteen, as Member, with a term to expire November 15, 2013

Farmers Market Commission

Reappointment of Nancy Fjortoft, as Member, with a term to expire November 5, 2013

Historic Preservation Commission

Appointment of Regina Nally, as Member, with a term to expire November 15, 2013

Housing Programs Advisory Committee

Appointment of Katrina Fill, as Member, with a term to expire November 15, 2013

Universal Access Commission

Appointment of Scott Jensen, as Member, with a term to expire November 15, 2013

A voice vote was taken and the appointments were approved.

SECOND READING

- E. **Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 8, Article 2 of the Village Code Regarding "License Fee Schedule"**

There were no comments.

- T. **Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 15, Article 3, Section 18 of the Village Code Related to Free and Reduced Electric Vehicle Parking and Permitting For 2011, 2012**

Mr. Barwin spoke about President Obama's goal of becoming independent of international oil. He discussed battery technology and said that electric vehicles will drive this technology. Allowing free parking for electric vehicles will commit the Village to some of the goals that are important for this country.

Sustainability Manager K.C. Poulos stated that Oak Park has been identified as one of two places to have a solar charging station. The Village was also chosen to participate in a pilot for the I-GO. This ordinance will further the Village's goal of being a progressive community.

Mr. Barwin added that this ordinance will provide free vehicle stickers, free garage parking, free permitted lot parking and two hours free parking on the street for owners of electric vehicles.

Trustee Hedges expressed concern that, although he appreciates the intention of the ordinance, the result would be asking those who can afford electric vehicles to have others in the community supporting their parking costs. This would be a move in the wrong direction.

Trustee Johnson agreed and added that owners of these vehicles are already getting a large tax credit for purchasing them. It sends the wrong message to offer free parking as well as free vehicle stickers when there continues to be a deficit in the parking fund.

President Pope commented that this may bring greater opportunities for partnerships with people who are interested in making investments in innovative, forward thinking progressive communities.

REGULAR AGENDA

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

- G.** It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 2010-0-72 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 2 OF THE VILLAGE CODE REGARDING "LICENSE FEE SCHEDULE"** be adopted.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The ordinance was adopted.

- P.** It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 2010-0-73 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 3, SECTION 18 OF THE VILLAGE CODE RELATED TO FREE AND REDUCED ELECTRIC VEHICLE PARKING AND PERMITTING FOR 2011, 2012** be adopted.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hale, Lueck and Pate; President Pope

NAYS: Trustees Hedges and Johnson

ABSENT: None

The ordinance was adopted.

- Q** It was moved and seconded to approve a **Motion to Accept the Proposed Recommendations of the Liquor Control Review Board (LCRB) Regarding Changes to Chapter 24 of the Village Code and to Direct the Commission to Proceed with a Public Hearing.**

Village Clerk Powell spoke about requiring BASSET training for all who will be selling or serving liquor. Liquor Control Review Board (LCRB) Chair Jerry Ostergaard gave a summary of the recommendations.

Trustee Hale asked if there have been inquiries regarding stand alone liquor stores and bars in Oak Park and asked why the LCRB did not look into this. Mr. Ostergaard stated that they had not considered it because there has been no demand for them.

President Pope commented that liquor license holders need to be better educated regarding the current ordinances and moving forward to a hearing would enable the LCRB to hear their feedback.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion was approved.

- O.** It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 2010-0-74 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 3 OF THE VILLAGE CODE ENTITLED "PARKING, METERS, PARKING PERMITS AND MUNICIPAL ATTENDANT PARKING LOTS"** be adopted.

Trustee Johnson remarked that the original proposed rates were higher and asked why they were changed. Parking Services Manager Cara Pavlicek stated that due to the general economic conditions, the lowest possible increase for this year was appropriate while moving rates into a slightly more competitive position.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The ordinance was adopted.

- R.** It was moved and seconded that to approve a **Motion to Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Documents with the Lakota Group, Inc. to Prepare Unified Streetscape Design Drawings for the Greater Downtown Business Area (South Marion Street and South Oak Park Avenue).**

Trustee Brewer asked for clarification regarding waiving the formal bid process for this project to maintain consistency.

Mr. Barwin explained that this group was instrumental in the design of Marion Street in Downtown Oak Park. The Village already had a good working relationship with them and was hoping to move forward while pricing and bidding for construction remains competitive.

Village Planner Craig Failor elaborated and stated that the plan was a continuation of downtown Marion with a similar design. This was would be Phase One of the streetscape project

Trustee Hale asked if there were plans on how to budget the total expenditure in relation to other potential projects in the TIF.

Mr. Failor replied that he is currently working on the budget for all the various streetscape projects and looking at what's available in the TIF as well as other potential funding outside of the Village.

Trustee Hedges asked what the cost of the project, with all phases completed, would be. Mr. Failor stated that it would be approximately \$32 million. Trustee Hedges asked what kind of return the Village would receive on this project. He noted that there were many businesses coming into Oak Park despite a lack of streetscape enhancement.

There was a discussion regarding potential benefits of this project.

President Pope noted that on an earlier agenda, this item was an actual resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with the Lakota Group; a motion would require them to bring this back to the Board.

Mr. Failor stated that they wanted to move forward in December, and have the contract back before the Board in early January.

President Pope said that he was not comfortable with a motion to direct staff to prepare the necessary documents with a contract that is not coming back until early next year, yet work will be starting.

It was moved and seconded to withdraw **Motion to Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Documents with the Lakota Group, Inc. to Prepare Unified Streetscape Design Drawings for the Greater Downtown Business Area (South Marion Street and South Oak Park Avenue).**

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 2010-R-151 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH LAKOTA GROUP INCORPORATED TO PREPARE STREETScape PLANS FOR THE GREATER DOWNTOWN BUSINESS AREA SOUTH MARION STREET AND SOUTH OAK PARK AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$102,739** be adopted.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: Trustees Hale and Hedges

ABSENT: None

The resolution was adopted

CONSENT AGENDA

- H. Motion to Approve Parking Restriction Changes at 608-610 Randolph Street and 241-245 S East Avenue and Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Resolution
- I. Motion to Approve Extending Overnight, On-Street Permit Parking in Area Z4 to Include the Spaces on the West Side of the 50 Block of Lombard and Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Ordinance & Resolution
- J. Motion to Approve Parking Restriction Changes Within the Portions of the Y9 Overnight, On-Street Permit Parking Area and in Lots 49N, 49S, 76, 77 and 78 in the Harrison Street Arts District and Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Resolutions and Ordinances
- K. Ordinance 2010-O-74 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING HOURS OF EXISTING DAYTIME RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AT 175-181 LINDEN AVENUE AND 643-645 ONTARIO STREET AS REVIEWED AT THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING**
- L. Resolution 2010-R137 entitled **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING OVERNIGHT, ON-STREET R-7 PERMIT PARKING HOURS IN AREAS Y1 AND Y9 AS REVIEWED AT THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING**
- M. Resolution 2010-R-138 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SINGLE FAMILY-HOUSING REHABILITATION LOAN AND LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION GRANT: SFR-034**
- N. Resolution 2010-R-139 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH HOMER TREE CARE INC. OF LOCKPORT, IL FOR EMERALD ASH BORER PARKWAY TREE REMOVAL FOR 2011 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$75,000.00**
- S. Resolution 2010-R-140 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF INSURANCE FOR 2011**

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, Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck and Pate; President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Consent Agenda was adopted.

CALL TO THE BOARD AND CLERK

Village Clerk Powell commended the Passive House that she and other staff members had toured and thanked those responsible for the Veterans Day celebration in Scoville Park.

Trustee Hedges commented about how the youth of the community were embracing diversity.

Trustee Pate encouraged residents to shop locally during the retail season and wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Trustee Johnson noted the improved parking on Harrison Street. He announced that the North Avenue Business Association was sponsoring a toy drive. Trustee Johnson also spoke about the 14th annual OPLAGA Gala held at the 19th Century Club. Part of the evening was dedicated to the It Gets Better program, with the first viewing of the video montage created by the Village. He also praised President Pope for getting strong messages of support on pension reform in the Illinois Municipal League's efforts on the same.

Trustee Brewer expressed thanks to Trustees Johnson and Lueck for their contribution to the OPLAGA Gala. He announced that the OPRF girls' swim team will be recognized at the District 200 Board Meeting this coming Thursday.

Trustee Hale commended the work of PADS and noted that 80% of the volunteers are Oak Park residents.

Trustee Lueck wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Village Manager Barwin thanked Deputy Village Manager Lisa Shelley for her work on the agenda for the meeting.

President Pope discussed the rededication of the Peace Triumphant Memorial and praised members of the Park District. He spoke about his attendance at a YMCA Strategic Planning meeting and also about a benefit dinner for Seven Generations Ahead. Lastly, he reported that his daughter was participating in a re-enactment of the sailing of the Mayflower at school and cited it as an example of teachers going above and beyond what is expected and standard in the classroom.

ADJOURN

It was moved and seconded to adjourn. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:13 P.M. Monday, November 15, 2010.

SUBMITTED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF:

By: MaryAnn Schoenneman
Executive Secretary

Teresa Powell, Village Clerk