

**APPROVED MINUTES - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK
HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH, 2013 AT 6:30 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF OAK PARK VILLAGE HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Pope called the meeting to order at 6:34 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope
ABSENT: None

**III. CONSIDERATION OF MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING, LITIGATION AND SALE OF PROPERTY IN ROOM 130**

In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, it was moved and seconded to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining in Room 130.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion was approved.

IV. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING AT 7:30 PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope
ABSENT: None

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:30 P.M. in Council Chambers.

V. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

VI. MINUTES

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 22, 2013 be approved. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as amended.

VII. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

VIII. ACCEPTANCE OF SIERRA CLUB'S 2012 COOL CITIES AWARD

A representative from Sierra Club presented the 2012 Cool Cities Award to the Board.

- A. It was moved and seconded that Resolution 2013-R-19 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SIERRA CLUB'S ILLINOIS COOL CITIES LOCAL SUSTAINABILITY PROTECTION AGREEMENT** be adopted.

A voice vote was taken and the resolution was adopted.

IX. VILLAGE MANAGER REPORTS

Village Manager Cara Pavlicek urged residents and businesses to vote in the NiCor sponsored Challenge for Energy Efficiency. NiCor will award \$25,000 towards an energy conservation investment within the chosen not-for-profit's facility. The eligible local organizations are the West Cook YMCA and six West Suburban PADS locations in Oak Park. She referred to the Village website for more information. Also, commencing February 11, ComEd will be replacing various power lines in the Village to improve reliability in areas that have had frequent power outages.

X. VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEES

Trustee Salzman spoke about the I-Gov Committee meeting on Saturday, noting that it was the last one prior to the April 9 election. Trustee Johnson added that Pioneering Healthy Communities gave a presentation and Village Planner Craig Failor led a workshop regarding updates to the Strategic Plan.

President Pope gave an update regarding the Advisory Committee for the Comprehensive Plan and announced that a public meeting will be held on February 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Nineteenth Century Club. Topics to be discussed include land use, arts and culture, environmental features, housing and diversity, education, health and safety, transportation and sustainability, among other items. He urged all residents to attend.

XI. CITIZEN COMMISSION VACANCIES

There were no comments.

XII. CITIZEN COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS, REAPPOINTMENTS, REMOVAL, RESIGNATION AND CHAIR APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments, reappointments, removals, resignations or chair appointments.

XIII. FIRST READING**B. First Reading of an Ordinance Adopting the International Building Code, the International Residential Code, the International Fire Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, the International Mechanical Code, the International Plumbing Code and the National Electric Code with Local Amendments as Recommended by the Building Codes Advisory Commission**

Director of Building and Property Standards Steve Witt gave a presentation of the proposed building code upgrades grouped into the categories of administrative, construction site, and life safety.

Trustee Lueck commented that many residents and business owners already perceive Oak Park as over-regulated; she asked how this will compromise between protecting public safety and being excessively burdensome. Mr. Witt explained how and why codes are updated. He stated that the Building Codes Advisory Commission did not want changes above and beyond what they viewed as the absolute minimum to ensure the life safety of Oak Park residents as well as to ensure that they are not being overly aggressive in the requirements for construction in the Village.

Trustee Hedges asked if the change in permit requirements will include items that didn't previously require a permit. Mr. Witt replied that it will actually be the opposite scenario and discussed some examples of work that used to require permits but will not in the future. Trustee Hedges raised the subject of owners of vintage properties being required to do extensive electrical renovations when doing minor upgrades. Mr. Witt stated that the inspectors focus strictly on work related to the permit issued but may recommend additional upgrades, such as replacing cloth wires that may increase the risk of fire.

Mr. Witt and Fire Chief Tom Ebsen spoke extensively about the fire sprinkler requirements. They will be required in all new residential dwelling structures and existing dwellings where greater than 50% of the original structure above the foundation level is demolished and rebuilt. In addition, sprinklers will be required for new commercial buildings and additions 3,500 sq. ft. or larger. There are no retroactive fire sprinkler requirements for existing residential or commercial buildings.

John Lawrence, 522 Jackson, River Forest, representing Oak Park Area Assn. of Realtors. Mr. Lawrence did not want onerous burdens on property owners regarding sprinkler requirements but asked for clarification regarding information originally provided to the business community versus what was just presented.

Mike Fox, 1110 Pleasant St. Mr. Fox agreed with Mr. Lawrence's remarks and asked that members of the business community have an opportunity to meet with Mr. Witt before the second reading of this ordinance.

Following additional comments from the Board, Ms. Pavlicek spoke about the fire department's ISO rating as well as the building code effectiveness grade, noting that this can affect insurance rates. She explained that part of the condition of establishing the Village's grade was adoption of the new codes in March of this year; otherwise they would be downgraded. Ms. Pavlicek will ask for an extension of the deadline in order

to provide more time for public discussion and Board consideration. There was a brief discussion regarding public meetings to be held for the purpose of reviewing this information.

XIV. REGULAR AGENDA

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

- C. It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 2013-0-13 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE AND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK RELATED TO THE CREATION OF A DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** be adopted.

Trustee Lueck asked about the Economic Development Director position and how one position will be able to perform all the tasks identified in the information given to the Board. Ms. Pavlicek explained that the current departments that the new department will encompass are part of the Performance Management Program pilot. This will help determine the expectations of the position and actions needed to achieve them.

Trustees Hedges and Salzman made positive comments regarding the new department, as it will bring departments involved in economic development together as well as help clarify responsibilities at Village Hall.

Trustee Johnson also expressed enthusiasm for the department but noted that further discussion is warranted regarding duties of the director.

Trustee Brewer stated that from a management perspective, it will allow the Village Manager more time to spend on strategic direction. He added that combining these areas indicates that the Village is taking a more comprehensive view and a more structured approach to how community and economic development is done.

Trustee Lueck and President Pope agreed that if this modification is not sufficient to advance the future vibrancy of the Village as envisioned, it would be appropriate that this come back to the Board for discussion of any necessary changes. A broader conversation that includes the Oak Park Development Corporation and representatives from business organizations and business districts would be appropriate as well.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The ordinance was adopted.

- H. It was moved and seconded that Resolution 2013-R-20 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A CONTRACT FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD WITH ABC COMMERCIAL MAINTENANCE SERVICES, INC. FOR CUSTODIAL SERVICES FOR VILLAGE**

HALL, PUBLIC WORKS CENTER, DOLE LEARNING CENTER AND METRA STATION, WAIVING THE VILLAGE'S BID PROCESS, NOT TO EXCEED \$83,400.00 be adopted.

Trustee Johnson commented that although rates have remained unchanged for the past five years, it might be worthwhile to investigate a wider contract that covers the Park District, Library and Township as well. He asked that this be explored over the next year. With or without collaboration, he noted that six years is too long to go without taking a look at other alternatives.

Director of Public Works John Wielebnicki agreed with Trustee Johnson and had intended to go to bid. However, the contractor did not raise their rates and provides the service in an efficient and responsive manner. He noted that a past low bidder had a good price but inferior service.

President Pope suggested that Mr. Wielebnicki look at potential options over the course of the next 15 months to partner with some of the entities mentioned and possibly obtain more favorable pricing during the bid process next year.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was adopted.

- O. It was moved and seconded that Resolution 2013-R-21 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH SLAVIN MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL EXECUTIVE SEARCH SERVICES FOR THE POSITION OF VILLAGE ATTORNEY** be adopted.

Ms. Pavlicek stated that the lowest dollar respondent for this bid, as well as the most qualified, was Slavin Management.

Trustee Salzman had asked that this be removed from the Consent Agenda to share his concern that the Village may be better served by an in-state recruiter for this position, as certain municipality issues in Illinois may not be appreciated by an out-of-state recruiter. He added that Slavin did an outstanding job for the Village Manager recruitment process, and ultimately, the hiring of the village attorney is Ms. Pavlicek's decision.

Trustees Tucker and Brewer remarked that this should not be a concern and agreed that Slavin has a good process for identifying qualified candidates.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was adopted.

XV. CONSENT AGENDA

- D.1 Resolution 2013-R-22 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH CHILDREN'S CLINIC**
- D.2 Resolution 2013-R-23 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES**
- D.3 Resolution 2013-R-24 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH HEARTLAND-VITAL BRIDGES**
- D.4 Resolution 2013-R-25 ENTITLED **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH NAMI METRO SUBURBAN**
- D.5 Resolution 2013-R-26 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH OP REGIONAL HOUSING CENTER, FH-PS**
- D.6 Resolution 2013-R-27 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH OPRF FOOD PANTRY**
- D.7 Resolution 2013-R-28 ENTITLED **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH PARENTHESIS – MOTHERING ON OWN**
- D.8 Resolution 2013-R-29 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH PARENTHESIS – PARENTEEN**
- D.9 Resolution 2013-R-30 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH SARAH'S INN**
- D.10 Resolution 2013-R-31 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH WS PADS – EMERGENCY SERVICES**
- D.11 Resolution 2013-R-32 ENTITLED **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NON-FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH OP REGIONAL HOUSING CENTER, FH-ADMIN**
- E. Resolution 2013-R-33 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SUBORDINATION OF LIEN: SFR-032**

- F. Resolution 2013-R-34 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SUBORDINATION OF LIEN: BPIP-047**
- G. Resolution 2013-R-35 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MICHAEL O. LEAVY TRUST DATED OCTOBER 7, 1997 TO ASSIGN SMALL RENTAL REHAB LOAN COMMITMENT AND AGREEMENT SRP-014 AND ACCOMPANYING NOTE TO MADISON RIDGELAND LLC**
- I. Resolution 2013-R-36 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH BAXTER & WOODMAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT RELATED TO WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS UNDER I-290 AT LOMBARD AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000**
- J. Resolution 2013-R-37 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF BRICK PAVERS IN THE VILLAGE RIGHT-OF-WAY AT 810 N. CUYLER AVENUE**
- K. Ordinance 2013-O-14 entitled **ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE ENTRY-LEVEL FIRE FIGHTER/PARAMEDIC ELIGIBILITY LIST TO JANUARY 21, 2014**
- L. Resolution 2013-R-38 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COMMERCIAL STORE LEASE RIDER BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK AND GREENPLAN MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR A POLICE SUBSTATION AT 618 S. AUSTIN**
- M. Resolution 2013-R-39 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS AND AEROSPACE WORKERS, LOCAL 701 REPRESENTING EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT/FLEET SERVICES CONCERNING TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 4, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015**
- N. Motion to Approve the Bills in the Amount of \$705,286.30 for the Week Beginning January 21st through February 1st.
- P. Ordinance 2013-O-15 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 8 OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK – CANCELLATION OF A CLASS B-2 RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR SAGANO SUSHI, 731 LAKE STREET, OAK PARK, IL 60301 AND CREATION OF A CLASS B-2 RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR JAMBAL, INC., D/B/A SAGANO SUSHI, 731 LAKE STREET, OAK PARK, IL 60301**

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, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Consent Agenda was approved.

CALL TO THE BOARD AND CLERK

Village Clerk Powell spoke about the local election to be held on April 9 and noted that early voting begins March 25. She also gave instructions regarding how to request an absentee ballot.

Trustee Tucker stated that one of the county's major book sellers is closing 30% of its stores and commented that Oak Park is fortunate to have local book stores such as the Book Table and The Magic Tree.

Trustee Salzman spoke about the Healthy Communities initiative.

Trustee Johnson expressed surprise regarding the purchase of a new quint ladder fire truck by the Village of River Forest and asked Ms. Pavlicek to reach out to them regarding what was behind that decision, as the previous one was purchased jointly with Oak Park. He also spoke positively about the Collaboration for Early Childhood.

Trustee Lueck concurred with Trustee Johnson regarding both topics.

Trustee Hedges congratulated Trustee Johnson regarding his trip to Africa and encouraged all to read the article in the Wednesday Journal. He also stated that the Board should start thinking about how to allocate the funds from the Whiteco sale.

Trustee Brewer spoke about his attendance at the quarterly Board and Commission Chair Meeting. He also noted that the Finance Committee will meet on February 7 and 11.

Village Manager Pavlicek stated that the River Forest Village Administrator had contacted her to inform her of the fire truck purchase. She would follow up to obtain more details.

President Pope discussed his attendance at the U.S. Conference of Mayors. He announced that the Mayors Innovation meeting will be held in Oak Park in August. He shared Trustee Johnson's thoughts regarding the Collaboration for Early Childhood. President Pope noted that when Board members are discussing issues with their colleagues from other boards, they should do so as residents to avoid appearing coercing. Also discussed was the Oak Park Annual Meeting on Wednesday at the Carleton Hotel. President Pope reported that Beye School has eliminated 97% of all waste from their school lunchroom program with their composting efforts. In closing, he referred to several recent suicides affecting the community and encouraged all to recognize the warning signs and support those in need.

.ADJOURN

It was moved and seconded to adjourn. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:57 P.M. Monday, February 4, 2013.

SUBMITTED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF:

Teresa Powell, Village Clerk

By: MaryAnn Schoenneman
Interim Deputy Village Clerk