

Village of Homer Glen

**14933 South Founders Crossing
Homer Glen, Illinois 60491**

April 13, 2016

**Board of Trustees
Board Meeting**

**Village Board Room
14917 South Founders Crossing
Homer Glen, IL**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on April 13, 2016 by Mayor Yukich at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Board Room, 14917 S. Founders Crossing, Homer Glen.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**C. ROLL CALL**

Present were Mayor George Yukich, Trustees Sharon Sweas, Christina Neitzke-Troike, Beth Rodgers, Carlo Caprio, and Mike Costa. Trustee Brian Burian was absent. All remained present throughout the meeting. Also present on behalf of the Village were Village Clerk Ann Holtz, Village Attorney Sean Brady, Chief Building Official Joe Baber, Community Relations Coordinator Sue Steilen, Development Services Director Mike Salamowicz, Director of Planning and Zoning Mike Schwarz, Economic Development Director Janie Patch, Treasurer John Sawyers and Interim Village Manager Heather Kokodynsky.

A quorum was established.

D. APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

At the request of Mayor Yukich the Village Board agreed to table item I.2 until more information can be gathered.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**1. March 9, 2016 Minutes**

Trustee Costa made a motion to approve the Board minutes of March 9, 2016, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Costa, Caprio, and Neitzke-Troike

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (1) Trustee Rodgers

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

2. March 23, 2016 Minutes

Trustee Sweas made a motion to approve the Board minutes of March 23, 2016, seconded by Trustee Costa.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Costa, Caprio, and Neitzke-Troike

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

F. PUBLIC HEARING**1. Proposed Budget for FY 2016-2017**

Trustee Costa made a motion to open the public hearing on the Village of Homer Glen's FY 2016-2017 budget, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

Trustee Rodgers asked Staff if they had received any feedback via emails or phone calls from residents about the draft budget. Interim Village Manager Kokodynsky stated she had not.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Costa, Caprio, and Neitzke-Troiike

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

There were no public comments on the Budget. Resident Bob Schmidt requested a copy of the draft budget.

Trustee Costa made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Costa, Caprio, and Neitzke-Troiike

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

G. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICERS**1. Mayor Yukich:****• Village Hall Renovation Updates**

Troop Contracting, Inc. continues with renovation work at the new Village Hall. As you know, the Village notified its Landlord and Property Manager of its "Intent to Terminate the Lease Agreement" at its current location by July 31, 2016. Troop is preparing "Progress Reports" that detail progress and photos of the work being completed. To view these reports, visit the Village's website and click on "Construction Updates". Then, click on "Village Hall Construction Updates".

• Homer Glen to Celebrate 15th Anniversary

As I'm sure many of you are aware, the Village of Homer Glen is celebrating its 15th year of incorporation as a Village. The Village was officially incorporated on April 17, 2001. As we enter our 15th year as a community, the Village is planning several ways to celebrate this important milestone. Plans are in the works for a 15th Anniversary volunteer picnic to take place later this summer that will recognize the countless volunteers that dedicated their time and efforts to the Homer Glen community since 2001. Throughout the year, the Village is requesting that residents submit photos that capture the spirit of our community. Photos can reflect the past, present or future of Homer Glen. Photos will be used in Village publications online and in-print, advertising, and marketing materials. Photos can be submitted via email to village@homerglen.org or by mail to Village Hall. A photo release form must be included with the submitted photos. For more information please visit the Village's website or call Village Hall.

2. Trustees:

Trustee Sweas:• **Reporting for the Environment Committee:**

The Environment Committee will be planting a tree in honor of Arbor Day which takes place on April 29th. There will be a prescribed burn in Yangas park near the bike trail this Friday, April 15.

As a reminder, Earth Day-Arbor day will take place May 21, 2016 at Konow Farm. Visit www.homerglenil.org for a list of the exhibitors and their times. The Committee thanks the sponsors to date: Home Depot, Apple Chevrolet, Homewood Disposal, Willowbrook Ford, and Dan Kenney homes.

Trustee Rodgers:

- There are lots of events going on in the community right now that the residents may be interested in: On April 16 the HAC will host Windy City Dueling Pianos at the American Legion Hall in Lockport. On April 21 Lockport Township High School will host its annual “Road to Reality” which emphasizes the dangers of drinking and driving, from 6-8 pm. The event is open to all students ages 12 and over. “Take a Chance for Change” will take place April 23 at 5:30pm at the Moose lodge in Lockport. This is a fund raiser for the Homer Glen Jr. Womens League.
- The Public Services and Safety Committee would like to remind residents that as the weather is getting warmer, it means more children will be out playing and since many subdivisions don’t have sidewalks, the kids can and will play in the streets. Since speeding has been such an issue, residents need to be diligent and slow down. Additionally, the fire department would like to stress that residential addresses should be clearly visible, during the day and at night, and they would like to ask residents to take a few minutes to ensure that their address can be seen clearly.

Trustee Neitzke-Troike:• **Reporting for the Parks and Recreation Committee:**

The Parks Committee held their March meeting on Monday, March 28. Just a reminder, all residents are invited to attend the Parks meetings, which are held the 4th Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. here in the Village Board Room. During the workshop portion of tonight’s meeting, we will be discussing the naming of the Village Hall Park property. The Parks Committee has been discussing the naming of the park since September 2015 and has extensively reached out to the community for their input. Tonight’s workshop is for purposes of discussion only and no motion will be made. This will allow the Village Board to thoughtfully consider the naming of the Village’s newest and largest piece of property.

3. Treasurer - None
4. Clerk – The Homer Community Festival is including a Vendor Fair this year and we are now accepting applications from Vendors and Artisans who would like to sell their products. Visit www.homerfest.com or email aholtz@homerglen.org to receive an application.
5. Village Attorney - None
6. Public Safety Officials- None
7. Interim Village Manager - None

H. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Bob Schmidt, Homer Glen resident, stated his concerns regarding the recent article in the paper that stated the Township was considering lowering the participation rate of residents from 90% down to

75% for the Township's sports fields usage policy. He stated this was a bad idea and unfair to the taxpayers. Mayor Yukich clarified that the proposal was brought forth by a resident of Homer Township, not the Township Board, and the measure was defeated, 25-5, with 4 abstaining, at the April 12, 2016 Annual Town Meeting. Mr. Schmidt then stated his concerns about the seemingly yo-yo effect of gas prices here in the Village, and questioned why all the stations are all the same price at all the same time, and wishes the Village could do something about price control. Mayor Yukich responded that he and trustee Burian have been and will continue to be in contact with the stations and are now contacting the corporate offices regarding the price discrepancies with neighboring towns. Mr. Schmidt also asked about the Village's surplus funds and which banks the money is deposited into. Mayor Yukich stated that he would have the Treasurer get in touch with Mr. Schmidt.

2. Kathy Sindelar, a Homer Glen resident, complained of speeding on Birchdale Drive in Pebble Creek. She believes that many of the speeders are using Birchdale as a pass through to Woodbine Subdivision. Lt. Conser spoke with her before the meeting and took her information and will direct deputies to the area.
3. Kyle Weldon, the Director of Development for The Dragonfly Foundation, a not for profit organization new to the Chicagoland area, spoke briefly to inform the Board of the services the organization provides to patients and families who are facing pediatric cancer. The foundation strives to provide comfort and joy to kids and young adults enduring cancer and bone marrow transplants.

I. LEGISLATION AND ACTION ITEMS

1. **Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 16-011, An Ordinance Granting Approval of an Amendment to the Special Use Permit for a Planned Development granted by Ordinance No. 14-049, for Certain Real Property Commonly Known as 16849 S. Cedar Road, Parcels (16-05-28-200-009-0000 and 16-05-28-200-011-0000), Homer Glen, Illinois (Konow), subject to conformance with the "Konow Site Plan" attached as Exhibit "B", and conditioned upon the following:**
 - a) Only the "Tilsey Barn" and tent will be used for wedding and banquet type events;
 - b) Use of the property shall continue to be in compliance with Village and State life safety codes;
 - c) The Corn Maze and Earth Day ~ Arbor Day activities will be considered Special Events requiring approval by the Village;
 - d) The owner shall allow access to the property by the Village of Homer Glen and Homer Township Fire Protection District to inspect the property monthly to insure compliance with the Special Use Permit; and
 - e) The owner shall maintain compliance with NFPA 72 complete Fire Detection System for the buildings known as the "Tilsy Barn," the "Arcade Building," the "Concession Building," the "In & Out Building," and the "Animal Barn," as installed.

Trustee Costa made a motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Caprio, and Costa

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troike

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

2. **Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 16-013, An Ordinance approving a parking adjustment, for a reduction of 22 required parking spaces, attributable to shared parking within the Bell Plaza**

Shopping Center, for Kiem Tiet Vo, for the proposed Lily Garden Restaurant, for certain real property located at 14407 S. Bell Road, Homer Glen, Illinois. [Kiem Tiet Vo (Lily Garden Restaurant); Case No. HG-1607-PA].

Trustee Caprio made a motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Neitzke-Troiike.

Trustee Sweas asked the plaza owner to step forward to the podium. She asked him if he had any concerns with regard to the adjustment of the required parking spaces. He stated that any concerns he had at the beginning have been satisfied and is confident that there will be plenty of available parking. Trustee Rodgers asked the plaza owner, who is also the owner of Blueberry Hill, if he ever intended to be open for dinner, expressing concerns that this could cause a parking issue. He stated he would not open for dinner. A brief discussion took place regarding reserving spaces for takeout customers but it was decided that is not necessary at this time.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Caprio, Neitzke-Troiike, and Costa

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

3. Motion to Approve a Proclamation declaring April 29, 2016 as Arbor Day in the Village of Homer Glen.

Trustee Sweas made a motion to approve the Proclamation, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Caprio, Neitzke-Troiike, and Costa

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

4. Motion to Approve a Proclamation in support of Earth Day-Arbor Day on May 21, 2016.

Trustee Costa made a motion to approve the Proclamation, seconded by Trustee Sweas.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Caprio, Neitzke-Troiike, and Costa

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

5. Motion to Approve an Agreement with Landscape Supply Inc. for the Spring 2016 Public Parkway Tree Planting Program in the amount of \$25,279.40.

Trustee Sweas made a motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Trustee Costa.

Trustee Sweas asked if the trees had been ordered. Sue Steilen stated they would be ordered shortly and the trees would be planted within the next two weeks.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Caprio, Neitzke-Troiike, and Costa

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

6. Motion to Approve an Agreement with G4S to perform Utility Locating Services for the Village of Homer Glen as part of the Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators (JULIE) Program.

Trustee Costa made a motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Trustee Neitzke-Troiike.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Caprio, Neitzke-Troiike, and Costa

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

7. Motion to Approve Resolution 16-005, a Resolution Authorizing the Release of Executive Session Minutes.

Trustee Costa made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Trustee Sweas.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Caprio, Neitzke-Troiike, and Costa

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

8. Motion to Approve Resolution No. 16-006, a Resolution Authorizing the Destruction of Certain Executive Session Recordings.

Trustee Caprio made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Trustee Costa.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Caprio, Neitzke-Troiike, and Costa

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

J. WORKSHOP ITEM

1. Discussion Regarding Naming of Village Hall Park Property.

Mayor Yukich stated the Parks and Recreation Committee recommends the following six names to be considered by the Village Board: Heritage Park, Homer Village Green, Homer Glen Community Park, Veteran's Park, Inspiration Park and Harmony Park. There is no motion being requested and tonight's workshop is for purposes of discussion only.

Trustee Costa stated he liked all of the names and would like to figure out a way to incorporate all of the names into designated areas within the park. Trustee Neitzke-Troiike stated this point was also discussed at the Committee meetings, and the consensus was something along those lines as well. She stated that she would like to see the word "Green or Greens" incorporated into the name since it was a former golf course. Trustee Caprio agreed that incorporating all of the names was a great idea.

Additional suggestions for park names by residents can be submitted to village@homerglen.org.

K. OLD BUSINESS - None

L. NEW BUSINESS – None

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Caprio made a motion to enter Executive Session for the purposes of discussing Possible Litigation and Personnel, seconded by Trustee Costa.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Caprio, Neitzke-Troiike, and Costa

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

**Executive Session began at approximately 7:50pm. Executive Session concluded at 8:40pm.
The regular meeting resumed at 8:42pm.**

Trustee Costa made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and resume the regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Costa, Caprio, and Neitzke-Troiike

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

N. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Neitzke-Troiike made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Costa.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Rodgers, Costa, Caprio, and Neitzke-Troiike

Nays: (0)

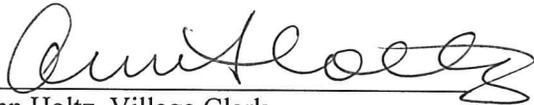
Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43p.m.



Ann Holtz, Village Clerk

Approved at the Board of Trustees Meeting dated May 11, 2016