

Village of Homer Glen

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

June 08, 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 June 8, 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, Brian Burian, Mike Costa, Beth Rodgers, and Carlo Caprio. Trustee Christina Neitzke-Troiike was absent. All remained present throughout the meeting. Also present on behalf of the Village were Village Clerk Ann Holtz, Village Attorney Eric Hanson, Chief Building Official Joe Baber, Development Services Director Mike Salamowicz, Assistant Village Manager Heather Kokodynsky, Village Manager Mike Mertens.

A quorum was established.

D. APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**1. April 13, 2016 Minutes**

Trustee Caprio made a motion to approve the Board minutes of April 13, 2016, seconded by Trustee Rodgers.

Voice Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troiike

Motion Carried

E. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICERS**1. Mayor Yukich:****• UPDATE REGARDING ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM**

On May 10, 2016, the Illinois Commerce Commission approved the rates ComEd filed for Summer and Non-Summer pricing. Since 2012, the Village of Homer Glen, along with other communities in Will County, negotiated a fixed price electricity supply contract for our residents and small businesses. The program has saved participating Will County residents and businesses nearly \$30 million county wide, when compared to the ComEd supply rates. Unfortunately, given the new ComEd supply rates, the current contract with Homefield Energy will not provide savings in its final year. Since it is clear that the ComEd price will be lower than our contract for a significant period of time, we wanted to ensure that residents are informed about the electric aggregation program. Based upon the terms of the electricity supply contract, you have the right to return to ComEd or any other supplier for your electricity supply without an early termination fee. In order to return to ComEd utility supply, please call Homefield Energy at 1-866-694-1262 and let them know that you would like to return to ComEd supply service as soon as possible. A letter from the Village has been sent to residents currently enrolled in the aggregation program with Homefield Energy explaining this change in supply rates.

These residents should expect to receive the letter by the end of this week. For those residents enrolled in the program who have not yet received the letter, we have posted it on the Village's website.

• **'NO SOLICITORS' DECALS NOW AVAILABLE**

If you wish to prohibit solicitors from knocking on your door or ringing your doorbell at your home, the Village of Homer Glen is offering 'NO SOLICITORS' decals free of charge to residents. Please visit the Village Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., to pick up your decal. Please call 708-301-0632 with any questions.

• **COMMUNITY-WIDE MOSQUITO SPRAYING**

Please be aware that a community-wide mosquito spraying is scheduled to take place on Monday, June 13 beginning after sunset, weather permitting. This is the first community-wide spraying this summer. Residents can also receive advanced notices of spray events by contacting Clarke directly and signing up through their Mosquito Hotline at 1-(800) - 942 - 2555 and asking to be added to the, "Prior Notification List," for the Village of Homer Glen. Residents will be asked to provide their name, address, and phone number, and this will allow them to receive a phone call from Clarke the day of the Village-wide spray. Larvacide control and treatment in drainage and detention basins is recurring throughout the summer months in addition to the four monthly community-wide sprayings June-September.

• **SOUTH EXTENSION TO THE HEROES TRAIL**

We are excited to announce that the South Extension to the Heroes Trail is nearing completion! While some residents have already begun to use the trail, **the trail remains closed** until safety features and landscape work is completed. For those of you who are unaware, the South Extension of the trail runs within the ComEd right-of-way, west of Bell Rd. from approximately Martingale Lane to 159th Street. This will ultimately connect to the proposed bike trail that will be constructed as part of the 159th Street Improvement project. Maps of the Heroes Trail are available at the Village Hall or can be downloaded from the Village's website.

2. Trustees

Trustee Costa: Just a reminder that now that the Heroes Trail Extension will open, there are no motorized vehicles allowed on trails or the Com Ed right-of-way. This includes ATV's or motorcycles. If caught you can be ticketed and fined.

Trustee Sweas:

- The Spring parkway tree planting should be completed by the end of this week.
- The Village of Homer Glen, Homer Township, along with members of the Environment Committee will host a summer stargazing event on Friday, June 10th from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m., (weather permitting) at the historic Trantina Farm, located at 15744 West 151st Street.
- The Electronic Drop-Off Center at the Lockport Public Works opened last month to Will County residents. Hours are Tuesday and Friday only, from 6am - 11am. Two TVs per vehicle are permitted. The address is 17112 Prime Blvd (East of I-355), Lockport, IL 60441. Front Door Service is available through A-Team Recyclers for \$60 per TV. If interested in this service, please call 815-630-4308.

Trustee Caprio: The annual Homer Community Festival will run from Thursday June 23, 2016 through Sunday June 26, 2016. A Kids Fun Zone, Mr. D's magic and illusion show and The Magic Skies fireworks show are the highlights of Thursday night. Kids Fun Zone starts at 6:30PM which will consist of Jump and Fun units for kids, Mr. D's magic show will kick off at 7:30PM and the fireworks will be ready for blast off at 9:30PM weather permitting. Friday night would be the rain date if needed. The pre-carnival party for Homer residents with special needs and their families will run from 2:30pm to 4:30pm on Friday June 24, 2016. Applications can be found at www.homertownship.com or by contacting the Homer Township office at 708-301-0522. The application will also be available on the festivals website www.homerfest.com. Don't forget about the parade on Saturday morning June 25, 2016 starting at 11:00am. There will be many new attractions on the parade route starting at 151st and Parker Road heading North to Briarwood. There will be a wide variety of food vendors for the entire weekend and the new vendor tent will feature 14 different vendors who have registered with a wide

variety of products from Art, Jewelry, Essential Oils, etc. There will be live music every day featuring 10 bands between Thursday and Sunday. We are always looking for volunteers for both the parade and fest grounds, please contact Linsey Sowa at the Homer Township office 708-301- 0522 for more details. Please remember that your children can earn many of their community service hours throughout this wonderful event. Check out the website at www.homerfest.com and click on the info link at the top for more detailed information. Also check out www.homertownship.com for more details related to the parade and volunteering for both events. Trustee Rodgers added that we really need volunteers.

3. Treasurer - None
4. Clerk – To add to Trustee Caprio’s report, we are encouraging fest goers heading to the fireworks display on Thursday night to use the remote parking lot and free shuttles at Bengtson’s Pumpkin Farm to avoid the gridlock around the festival grounds.
5. Village Attorney - None
6. Public Safety Officials- None
7. Village Manager – None

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. K. Sindelar, Homer Glen resident, spoke about a berm that was built in a neighbor’s yard that was causing her yard to flood. She provided pictures depicting the flooding in her yard. Her next door neighbor, K. Mockus, was in attendance as well to speak about their concerns.
2. John Kooi, Homer Glen resident, asked for clarification on the rates that were quoted in the letter about the electric aggregation.

G. LEGISLATION AND ACTION ITEMS

1. **Motion to approve Resolution No. 16-009, a Resolution approving a proposed roadway improvement/resurfacing program for 2016 in the Village of Homer Glen.**

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

Trustee Sweas requested that the streets be listed on the Village’s website.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troiike

Motion Carried

2. **Motion to direct Mayor Yukich to sign an intergovernmental agreement with Will County for a Household Hazardous Waste Collection event scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2016 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Village Hall parking lot. It is understood that the Village’s contribution to Will County for the event will not exceed \$7,500.**

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

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troiike
Motion Carried

3. Motion to Approve the purchase of a 2017 Ford Utility Interceptor AWD Vehicle in the amount of \$26,414.00.

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

Trustee Sweas requested that vehicles deemed not usable be donated to the fire department for training purposes.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, Rodgers and Burian
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troiike
Motion Carried

4. a) Motion to Create a Park Donation Sub-Committee.

Trustee Sweas made a motion to approve the sub-committee, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, Rodgers and Burian
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troiike
Motion Carried

b) Motion to Approve the Mayor's Appointments of Bob Kman, Kyle Sanders, Cassandra Courtright, Ed Cryer and Dale Janssen to the Park Donation Sub-Committee of the Parks and Recreation Committee. It is Understood that If Appointed, Bob Kman Will Serve as Chairperson of the Sub-Committee. Furthermore, it is understood that the term of the members of the sub-committee shall coincide with the term of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

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

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, Rodgers and Burian
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troiike
Motion Carried

5. Motion to Approve the April 2016 Mahoney, Silverman & Cross, LLC legal bills, in the amount of \$5,167.50.

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

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troike

Motion Carried

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion Regarding Naming of Village Hall Park Property.

Motion to Approve the name Heritage Park for the Village Property Located at 14240 W. 151st Street. Furthermore, it is understood that as park development occurs, specific areas and amenities within the park will be named separately.

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

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troike

Motion Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Recognition of Scripps National Spelling Bee Finalist Alette Eide.

Alette Eide, a Homer Jr. High School 8th grader won the Will County Spelling Bee in March. Following her local win, she moved on to the Scripps National Spelling Bee and was successful in the preliminary rounds. Alette was one of the 45 finalists out of 285 contestants. Mayor Yukich presented Alette with an award of recognition.

2. The Board discussed changing the date of the next scheduled meeting to June 20, 2016. The consensus was to move the meeting to Monday night immediately following the Plan Commission meeting at 7:00pm.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Costa motioned to recess to Executive Session for the purposes of discussing Personnel and Land Acquisition. The motion was seconded by Trustee Burian.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troike

Motion Carried

Executive Session began at approximately 7:42pm. Executive Session concluded at 8:41pm.

Trustee Costa motioned to adjourn Executive Session and resume the regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Caprio.

Voice Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troike

Motion Carried

The regular meeting resumed at 8:42pm.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Burian made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Rodgers.

Voice Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Neitzke-Troike

Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44p.m.

Ann Holtz, Village Clerk

Approved at the Board of Trustees Meeting dated July 27, 2016