

Village of Homer Glen

**14240 W. 151st Street
Homer Glen, Illinois 60491**

January 25, 2017

**Board of Trustees
Board Meeting**

**Village Board Room
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Homer Glen, IL 60491**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on January 25, 2017 by Mayor Yukich at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Board Room, 14240 W. 151st Street, Homer Glen.

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

Present were Mayor George Yukich, Trustees Sharon Sweas, Beth Rodgers, Christina Neitzke-Troiike, Brian Burian, and Carlo Caprio. Trustee Michael Costa was absent. All remained present throughout the meeting. Also present on behalf of the Village were Village Clerk Ann Holtz, Village Attorney Eric Hanson, Treasurer John Sawyers, Assistant Village Manager Heather Kokodynsky, Development Services Director Mike Salamowicz and Chief Building Official Joe Baber

A quorum was established.

D. APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA - None**E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. December 14, 2016

Trustee Rodgers made a motion to approve the Village Board meeting minutes of December 14, 2016, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

Trustee Neitzke-Troiike requested that the minutes reflect her comments wherein she asked if Clerk Holtz had made comments and/or posts to the Facebook page using the Village's computer during her hours in the office. Clerk Holtz answered that the comments were made either on her personal phone or laptop and not while at the office. She had also specified at the December 14 meeting that the Board was not "telling" her not to post on the Facebook page, they were "asking" her not to in order to protect the Village from potential liability.

Voice Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Costa

The Mayor did not vote.

The motion carried.

2. December 19, 2016

Trustee Sweas made a motion to approve the Village Board meeting minutes of December 19, 2016, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

Voice Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Costa

The Mayor did not vote.

The motion carried.

3. January 11, 2017

Trustee Caprio made a motion to approve the Village Board meeting minutes of January 11, 2017, seconded by Trustee Sweas.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Burian, Caprio, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (1) Christina Neitzke-Troike

Absent: (1) Trustee Costa

The Mayor did not vote.

The motion carried.

F. SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Trustee Sweas made a motion to approve the accounts payable for the period of December 16, 2016 through January 26, 2017; second by Trustee Caprio.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the roll:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Costa

The Mayor did not vote.

The motion carried.

G. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICERS**1. Mayor Yukich:**

- **Plan Commission Opening:** The Village is currently seeking letters of interest for a vacancy on the Plan Commission. Residents interested in serving on the Plan Commission must submit letters of interest, along with a resume, addressed to Mayor Yukich. Please call the Village hall at (708) 301-0632.
- **Notice for Subdivision Ordinance Update:** The Village is requesting proposals from qualified consultants for professional services in the revision of subdivision regulations. The purpose of this project is to review the requirements and standards regulating subdivisions, platting of land within the corporate limits, plat approval jurisdiction of the Village, identifying deficiencies, and describing procedural steps and standards of the regulations clearly consistent with the Village goals. Solicitation documents may be obtained on the "OpenBids/RFPs" section of our website at www.homerglenil.org. All proposals must be received no later than 4:00pm (CST) on Friday, February 17, 2017, as described in the RFP.
- **RFP Spring Tree Planting Program**
The Village is seeking bids for the 2017 Spring and Fall Public Parkway Tree Planting Program. The Request for Proposals can be found on the Village website. Within the next two weeks, residents who have had a tree removed from their parkway in the past year, will receive a letter offering a choice of trees for their parkway.
- **Discover Your Unclaimed Program**
As a reminder, the Illinois State Treasurer's office is safeguarding more than \$2 billion in unclaimed property belonging to millions of Illinois residents. Visitors can stop by the Village Hall at 14240 W. 151st Street, on Friday, February 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to check and see if they have unclaimed property. For more information contact the Village Hall at 708-301-0632 or visit www.homerglenil.org.

2. **Trustees**

- **Trustee Neitzke-Troike:** Just a reminder for residents who are using the parks and trails within the Village to cleanup after their dogs. The Village is receiving many calls and complaints about this issue. Also, PRI is preparing cost estimates for the various concepts and phases for the development of Heritage Park.
 - **Trustee Sweas:** The Environment Committee is looking for volunteers and vendors for the Village's annual Earth Day-Arbor Day which will take place on May 20, 2017 at Konows. Sponsorships are also available. The Village is still accepting string holiday lights for recycling. There is a box located in the Village hall lobby. Lastly, the Committee is looking at two future dates for it's stargazing events as well as the possibility of hosting them here in Heritage park.
 - **Trustee Caprio:** The 2017 Homer Community Festival will take place June 22-25. The intergovernmental agreement with the Township and the Road District has been approved and the Committee is in the process of booking entertainment and other Vendors.
3. **Treasurer:** Village Treasurer John Sawyers read into the record the Treasurer's Report for the period ending December 31, 2016.

General Fund	\$ 5,386,177.19
Special Events Fund	\$ 71,238.07
Environmental Fund	\$ 65,056.40
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	\$ 3,374,983.42
Park and Recreation Fund	\$ 2,670,375.16
Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,109,684.95
Capital Project Fund	\$ 1,026,991.47
EAB Tree Replacement Fund	\$ 421,144.02
Capital Bond Fund	\$15,057,400.23
Total Cash and Investments	\$29,190,801.00 (All Funds)

4. **Clerk:** Approximately 540 business registrations are being processed at this time, about 240 are home based businesses and the processed should be complete in the near future.
5. **Village Attorney:** None
6. **Public Safety Officials:** Homer Township Road District Commissioner Mike DeVivo shared that the Illinois Lieutenant Governor in an upcoming guide, has recognized our community as a shining example of government entities that cooperate together to provide services. The Guide which will be released shortly; it is called the Illinois Local Shared Services Best Practices Guide. The Village and the Township are named as one of only 27 examples State wide where such cooperation provides benefits to its residents. The Commissioner and the Mayor have been invited to represent our community at a series of seminars that will take place over the next year.
7. **Village Manager:** None

H. PUBLIC COMMENT – Kathy Sindelar, a Homer Glen resident, spoke of her concern regarding the ongoing flooding situation in her yard due to a neighbor's construction of a berm in the easement. She stated the problem has not been corrected. She said she has spoken with Village staff on several occasions but nothing has been done and she hasn't heard anything back and it has been months. Development Services Director Salamowicz stated he has not been able to get a response from the neighbors at the property in question. The Mayor stated it is an issue regarding entering private property to rectify the situation but he would look into the situation and call her the next day.

I. LEGISLATION AND ACTION ITEMS**1. Motion to Approve a Proclamation Commemorating Mokena Fire Protection District's 100 years of Service.**

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

Mokena Fire Chief Stephens accepted the Proclamation and took photos with Mayor Yukich.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the roll:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Costa

The Mayor did not vote.

The motion carried.

2. Motion to Authorize the Mayor to sign a letter designating the Chicago Southland Convention and Visitor's Bureau the Village's Agency of Record.

Trustee Caprio made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the letter, seconded by Trustee Burian.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the roll:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Costa

The Mayor did not vote.

The motion carried.

3. Motion to Approve Resolution 17-002, a Resolution approving a reduction of the Development Guarantee for the Goodings Grove – Phase 2, Planned Unit Development.

Trustee Sweas made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Trustee Neitzke-Troiike.

Trustee Rodgers asked for clarification on what work remained to be completed. Director Salamowicz stated the developer is waiting for more buildout of the remaining parcels before putting the final surface on the road. He stated one section was already paved in order to turn the road over to the Homer Road District since it was already being used extensively by the public. Trustee Rodgers requested that staff review the remaining public improvements yet to be accepted by the Village to ensure that the roads are kept up to date as it relates to general maintenance standards.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the roll:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Costa

The Mayor did not vote.

The motion carried.

J. OLD BUSINESS

None

K. NEW BUSINESS

None

L. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Caprio made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Sweas.

Voice Vote:

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

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (1) Trustee Costa

he Mayor did not vote.

The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.



Ann Holtz, Village Clerk

Approved at the Board of Trustees Meeting dated February 8, 2017