

# Public Services & Safety Committee

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Minutes of the Meeting on  
February 5, 2020

**Village of Homer Glen  
14240 W 151<sup>st</sup> Street, Homer Glen, IL 60491  
Village Board Room**

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Trustee Ann Holtz.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Roll Call.

Members present at 6:33 p.m. were Chairperson Ann Holtz, Development Services Director Mike Salamowicz, Homer Township Fire Protection District Division Chief Dave Bricker, Will County Sheriff's Department Lt. Jim Holuj, Northwest Homer Fire Protection District Deputy Chief Todd Fonfara, EMA Director John Robinson, and Chief Building Official Joe Baber.

4. Approval of Amendments to the Agenda.

None

5. Minutes.

- a) December 4, 2019

Chairperson Ann Holtz stated that the minutes from the December 4, 2019 Public Services & Safety Committee meeting were being presented for approval. Dave Bricker made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 4, 2019 meeting; seconded by Mike Salamowicz. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Reports and Communications.

- a) Chairman's Report.

None

- b) Fire District Reports.

Homer Township Fire Protection District presented their monthly call out report to the committee. HTFPD also reported they had trained over 800 students at Hadley School on performing CPR. They will also be conducting a car seat safety check at Village Hall on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

Northwest Homer Fire Protection District reported they also took part in the Hero Helping heroes Event.

- c) Will County Sheriff Report.

Lt. Jim Holuj arrived and thanked the fire districts for putting "Lock It, or Lose It" language on their informational signage. Lt. Jim also reminded everyone of the two inch of snow street parking ban which may go into effect with the forecasted weather.

d) Emergency Management Agency Report.

John Robinson reported they are investigating the purchase of a vehicle from Iowa for use by the Emergency Management Agency.

e) Homer Township Road District Report.

None

f) Development Services Director Report.

Mike Salamowicz reported there will be a meeting regarding the 151<sup>st</sup> St. street widening project on February 13<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 4:00-7:00pm. At the Village Hall.

g) Building Official Report.

Joe Baber reported he has been contacted by a resident with a traffic concern at the intersection of 175<sup>th</sup>, Lauffer and Haas Rd. Discussion occurred regarding a traffic study being conducted at this location. A motion was made by Todd Fanfara, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Salamowicz to have a traffic study at this location to evaluate if additional traffic signage is warranted.

7. Public Comments.

None

8. Old Business.

a) South Bell Rd./DeBoer Woods Forest Preserve Walkway Discussion.

Mike Salamowicz reported he has reached out to the Forest Preserve to gather information as to what they may need for this project to move forward. He was told they will look at it soon and get back to use. Mike communicated this is an item which may go on our next budget and a timely response would be appreciated.

b) Gouger Rd. Update Discussion – A meeting occurred on January 27<sup>th</sup> and was attended by representatives of City of Lockport, Will County Department of Transportation, Will County Sheriff's Department, Illinois Tollway, Village of Homer Glen, and Homer Township Highway Department. Additional signage was discussed and is being considered by the Tollway. The City of Lockport is also considering additional signage. Jurisdictional enforcement was also discussed and clarified by the Will County Sheriff's Department.

- c) Parker Rd. Speed Limit- The speed limits on Parker Rd. specifically between 159<sup>th</sup> to the northern limits were discussed. A motion to conduct a speed/traffic study at this area was made by Todd Fanfara, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Robinson. Motion passed unanimously.
- d) Parker Rd. S-Curve – discussion regarding this topic was tabled until all committee members were present.
- e) EOP update- John Robinson reported they are still working on the Emergency Operations Plan and continued updates will occur as the plan evolves.
- f) 151<sup>st</sup> St. Speed Discussion – With the potential widening project of 151<sup>st</sup> in the not too distant future it was decided to wait on any further discussion regarding speeds on 151<sup>st</sup>.

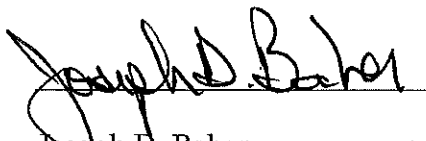
#### 9. New Business.

- a) Cannabis Ordinance Amendment Discussion- Joe Baber reported Lt. Jim Holuj and he has reviewed the sections of the Village Code as it pertains to the possession and paraphernalia sections. He noted the language specifically references the unlawful use which has be reduced with the loosing of state law. It still is prohibited to be used by minors. Joe will have our attorney review the sections of the code.
- b) Special Event Ordinance Discussion – Joe report he is reviewing the Special Event Permit code section as well as the parks rules and regulation sections due to enquires for special events at the Heritage Park.
- c) Resolution Adopting a Complete Streets Policy- Mike Salamowicz explained the complete streets program and advantages to this being adopted and how it benefits the Village. A motion was made by Mike Salamowicz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Todd Fanfara, to recommend approval of a resolution adopting a complete streets policy for the Village of Homer Glen. All voted unanimously to recommend approval.

#### 10. Adjournment.

Motion by Dave Bricker, seconded by John Robinson. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:



Joseph D. Baber  
Chief Building Official