

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY – February 26, 2013
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Village President Hofeld called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Thirty-one people from the public were present. One member of the press attended.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Village President Hofeld led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Village Clerk Karen Washington recorded the Roll Call. Those present were Village President Richard Hofeld, Trustee Lisa Purcell, Trustee Jay Heiferman, and Trustee Ray Robertson. ABSENT: Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Barbara Dawkins, and Trustee Anne Colton.

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF: Village President Hofeld introduced the present staff members: Village Attorney Christopher Cummings, Village Manager Jim Marino, Assistant Village Manager Michael Marzal, Director of Finance Dennis Bubenik, Police Chief Larry Burnson, Director of Public Works John Schaefer, and Fire Chief Bob Grabowski.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Heiferman to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Tuesday – February 12, 2013.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Purcell, Trustee Heiferman, Trustee Robertson, and President Hofeld NAYS – None ABSENT: Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, and Trustee Colton The motion carried.

CLAIMS LIST: A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Heiferman to approve the Claims List of Tuesday – February 26, 2013 in the amount of \$536,791.67. There were no questions.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Purcell, Trustee Heiferman, Trustee Robertson, and President Hofeld NAYS – None ABSENT: Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, and Trustee Colton The motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS: A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Robertson to approve the appointment of Carla Cheatham to the Senior Advisory Committee for a term ending 9/23/2015.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Purcell, Trustee Heiferman, Trustee Robertson, and President Hofeld NAYS – None ABSENT: Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, and Trustee Colton The motion carried.

MEET YOUR MERCHANTS: None

PRESENTATIONS: A motion was made by Trustee Heiferman and seconded by Trustee Robertson to pass Resolution R-2141.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Purcell, Trustee Heiferman, Trustee Robertson, and President Hofeld NAYS – None ABSENT: Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, and Trustee Colton The motion carried.

- A. RESOLUTION R-2141 / GERALD ZANSITIS / 20 YEARS OF SERVICE / POLICE DEPARTMENT: Police Chief Larry Burnson read a resolution honoring Gerald Zansitis for 20 years of service to the Village of Homewood.
- B. POLICE DEPARTMENT LIFE SAVING AWARDS: Police Chief Larry Burnson presented the Police Department Life Saving Awards to Officers Brandenburger and Easter.
- C. POLICE DEPARTMENT EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD: Police Chief Larry Burnson presented the Police Department Exceptional Service Award to Deputy Chief William Alcott.

HEAR FROM THE AUDIENCE: Nobody came forward.

OMNIBUS VOTE: Village Clerk Washington read items A through I for the Board's approval.

- A. ANNUAL REPORT/HERITAGE COMMITTEE: The 2012 Annual Report for the Heritage Committee.
- B. ANNUAL REPORT/TREE COMMITTEE: The 2012 Annual Report for the TREE Committee.
- C. ANNUAL REPORT/PLAN COMMISSION: The 2012 Annual Report for the Plan Commission.
- D. BID AWARD/TWO ATVs: Reject the bid from Shorewood Home & Auto in response to Bid No. 12-13PW due to lack of sufficient bid responses and award the bid for Bid No. 12-13aPW for the purchase of two Polaris Sportsmen HO ATVs to Woodstock Power Sports, the lowest responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$3,948.00.
- E. ORDINANCE M-1880 / SALE/DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY: An ordinance providing for the sale of certain personal property owned by the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.
- F. ORDINANCE M-1881 / SPECIAL USE – GROUND FLOOR DWELLING UNIT / 17501 DIXIE HIGHWAY: An ordinance granting a special use permit to Mike Galderio,

Balagio Ristorante, to allow a dwelling unit on the ground floor at 17501 Dixie Highway, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.

- G. ORDINANCE M-1882 / SPECIAL USE – GROUND FLOOR DWELLING UNIT / 18219 DIXIE HIGHWAY: An ordinance granting a special use permit to Kim Phillipos, Mama & Me Pizzeria, to allow a dwelling unit on the ground floor at 18219 Dixie Highway, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.
- H. ORDINANCE M-1883 / SPECIAL USE – HOTEL / 2034 RIDGE ROAD: An ordinance granting a special use permit to Gendreau Homewood Holdings, LLC, to allow a hotel at 2034 Ridge Road, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.
- I. TIF INCENTIVE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT / LA BANQUE HOTEL – 2034 RIDGE ROAD: An agreement to reimburse TIF eligible expenses for commercial property located at 2034 Ridge Road in the Central Business District Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District of the Village of Homewood, Illinois.

Trustee Purcell thanked the committees for their hard work. Next, a motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Heiferman to pass, approve, accept, or award Omnibus Vote items A through I as presented.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Purcell, Trustee Heiferman, Trustee Robertson, and President Hofeld NAYS – None ABSENT: Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, and Trustee Colton The motion carried.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE MC-885 / STOP SIGNS - 187TH STREET AT ASHLAND AVENUE:

Public Works Director John Schaefer provided information about the request for stop signs at 187th Street and Ashland Avenue. Trustees Purcell, Heiferman, and Robertson indicated that they understand the desire but can't support a stop sign.

FAÇADE AND PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM / RETAIL ENHANCEMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM – HEALTHY HOUNDS / 18100 MARTIN AVENUE:

Village Manager Jim Marino gave a report about the request from Pamela Hullinger to be approved for the Façade and Property Improvement Program/Retail Enhancement Incentive Program. Next, Pamela Hullinger told everyone about her business called "Healthy Hounds". She stated that she is excited that her business is moving to Homewood. The trustees complimented her and indicated their support.

A motion was made by Trustee Heiferman and seconded by Trustee Purcell to approve the application by Pamela Hullinger for the Façade and Property Improvement Program/Retail Enhancement Incentive Program for the property located at 18100 Martin Avenue with direction to the staff to draft an incentive agreement with the tenant in an amount not to exceed \$14,959.53.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Purcell, Trustee Heiferman, Trustee Robertson, and President Hofeld NAYS – None ABSENT: Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, and Trustee Colton The motion carried.

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM TELEVISIONING:

Public Works Director John Schaefer provided information regarding sanitary sewer system televising. Next, Tim Graeb gave additional information. After the presentations, President Hofeld asked what the citizens can expect to see. Tim noted that the work will take place over a twelve month period with two weeks on and two weeks off. A pick-up truck will be moving from manhole to manhole. Trustee Purcell complimented Tim Graeb on the proposal. Trustee Heiferman asked if Homewood would own the software after the five year period ended. Tim said that Homewood would own the software.

A motion was made by Trustee Robertson and seconded by Trustee Purcell to authorize Village Manager Jim Marino to enter into a professional services agreement with RedZone Robotics to provide televising and condition analysis of the Homewood sanitary sewer collection system, along with 1,500 manhole inspection and GPS/GIS coordinates, in accordance with the terms as outlined in the proposal provided, in an amount not to exceed \$622,637.75.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Purcell, Trustee Heiferman, Trustee Robertson, and President Hofeld NAYS – None ABSENT: Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, and Trustee Colton The motion carried.

TWO-YEAR BUDGET / FISCAL YEARS 2013/2014 AND 2014/2015:

Director of Finance Dennis Bubenik presented information on the drafted two year budget for years 2013/2014 and 2014/2015. He noted that our financial situation, like that of many towns, is tenuous. Revenues continue to decline or level off. Our fund balance is decreasing, and we have limited discretionary expenses to cut. Yet, his department continues to look for sources of revenue. Also, Homewood has been very realistic about our revenues and what has been budgeted. Therefore, we are almost a debt-free community.

Trustee Purcell complimented Dennis and his team. Trustee Heiferman asked if the Village could get a comparison of our debt obligations versus that of other towns. Dennis noted that acquiring this information is possible via the internet. President Hofeld complimented Dennis Bubenik on the presentation and indicated that he is pleased that the debt ratio is so low.

MANAGER'S REPORT: A verbal report was not given at the meeting.

GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION: President Hofeld informed everyone that Paula Wallrich continues to improve, Trustee Dawkins is on bed rest and is expected to deliver soon, and

Trustee Colton is in the hospital but she will hopefully recover soon. Trustee Purcell complimented the HF swim team.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Robertson to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Purcell, Trustee Heiferman, Trustee Robertson, and President Hofeld NAYS – None ABSENT: Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, and Trustee Colton The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Washington

Village Clerk