

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY – March 12, 2013
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Village President Richard Hofeld called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Fourteen 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, Senior Accountant Amy Zukowski, Police Chief Larry Burnson, Director of Public Works John Schaefer, and Fire Chief Bob Grabowski.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Robertson and seconded by Trustee Purcell to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Tuesday – February 26, 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 – March 12, 2013 in the amount of \$471,321.11. 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.

MEET YOUR MERCHANTS: None

PRESENTATION: Fire Chief Bob Grabowski gave the background for Brandon Lindemulder. After the background was provided, Village Clerk Washington administered the oath of office to Mr. Lindemulder as part-time Firefighter/Paramedic.

HEAR FROM THE AUDIENCE: Neil Messino, Contract Administrator for Teamsters Local 705, told the Board of Trustees and the audience about the Teamster employees of Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District going on strike as of March 11th. He noted that the employees have been working without a contract since 2010.

OMNIBUS VOTE: Village Clerk Washington read items “A” through “G” for the Board’s approval. Item “H” was deferred.

- A. ANNUAL REPORT / VETERANS COMMITTEE: The 2012 Annual Report for the Veterans Committee.
- B. ANNUAL REPORT / FOREIGN FIRE TAX INSURANCE BOARD COMMITTEE: The 2012 Annual Report for the Foreign Fire Tax Insurance Board (Homewood Fire 2% Fund).
- C. RESOLUTION R-2142 / AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE: A resolution approving a grievance procedure for claims under the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- D. LABOR ATTORNEY CONTRACT RENEWAL: Authorize the Village Manager to enter into an agreement with Laner, Muchin, Dombrow, Becker, Levin and Tomminberg, Ltd. to provide legal services in the areas of labor relations, employment law and employee benefits for a term effective May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2015.
- E. ORDINANCE M-1884 / SPECIAL USE – FINANCIAL INSTITUTION / 17926 HALSTED STREET, SUITE 2W: An ordinance granting a special use permit to Royal Savings Bank to allow a financial institution at 17926 Halsted Street, Suite 2W, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.
- F. ORDINANCE M-1885 / SPECIAL USE – FITNESS CENTER / 905 175TH STREET, 3RD FLOOR: An ordinance granting a special use permit to Ratio 1:1 Fitness to allow a fitness center at 905 175th Street, 3rd Floor, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.
- G. ORDINANCE M-1886 / SPECIAL USE – MASSAGE THERAPY FACILITY / 18154 HARWOOD AVENUE, UNIT 201: An ordinance granting a special use permit to Katrina Guthrie to allow a massage therapy facility at 18154 Harwood Avenue, Unit 201, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.

There were no questions or comments. A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Robertson to pass, approve, accept, or award items “A” through “G”.

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:

BID AWARD / WATER METER REPLACEMENT:

Director of Public Works John Schaefer presented information about the bid options for replacing the current water meters with a two-way fixed base meter reading system and water meter change out. Option (1) would include remote “cloud based” data management to HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$2,718,454. Option (2) would include non-hosted data management to HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$2,697,154.

After John Schaefer spoke, Jerry Odell, a representative from HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., extended the presentation and answered questions from the Board of Trustees. President Hofeld asked if access to properties will be required. Mr. Odell confirmed that access will be necessary. Trustee Purcell asked how quickly a water leak would be identified. She was told that there will be a level of leak protection from the beginning. When Trustee Heiferman asked about the reason for the difference in price between the two options, he was told that the difference is attributed to not having to purchase or maintain servers. Last, Trustee Robertson asked about the percentage of meters that will be read. He was told that the company is required to read 98% of the meters.

After the presentation, Option One was recommended. A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Heiferman to select Option One from HD Supply Waterworks, Ltd.

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 CIP BUDGET / FISCAL YEARS 2013/2014 AND 2014/2015:

Director of Public Works John Schaefer presented information on the Draft Two-Year CIP Budget for fiscal years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015. The Board of Trustees complimented Mr. Schaefer on his presentation.

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 and her husband are the proud parents of a new baby boy, and Trustee Colton is recovering.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Robertson to stop the Regular Meeting at 8:14 p.m. so that an Executive Session could begin.

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.

The Executive Session began at 8:16 p.m. and ended at 8:45 p.m.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Robertson to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:45 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