

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY – June 24, 2014
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Village President Hofeld called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Eighteen people from the public were present. Nobody from 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 Tom Kataras, Trustee Lisa Purcell, Trustee Anne Colton, Trustee Jay Heiferman, and Trustee Ray Robertson. ABSENT: Trustee Barbara Dawkins.

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF: Village President Hofeld introduced the present staff members: Village Manager Jim Marino, Village Attorney Christopher Cummings, Director of Finance Dennis Bubenik, Director of Public Works John Schaefer, Director of Community Development Paula Wallrich, and Assistant Village Manager Michael Marzal.

MINUTES: There were no questions or comments. A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Purcell to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Tuesday – June 10, 2014.

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

CLAIMS LIST: There were no questions or comments. A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Purcell to approve the Claims List of Tuesday – June 10, 2014 in the amount of \$496,180.22.

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

PRESENTATIONS:

OATH OF OFFICE / TIMOTHY MENSİK - MECHANIC: The Village Clerk administered the oath of office to Timothy Mensik as Mechanic for the Village of Homewood.

RESOLUTION R-2177 / ROBERT LA CHAPELLE / 35 YEARS OF SERVICE / PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: The Board was asked to consider a motion to pass a resolution honoring Robert LaChapelle for 35 years of service to the Village of Homewood. There were no questions or comments.

A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Purcell to pass a resolution honoring Robert LaChapelle for 35 years of service to the Village of Homewood.

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

HEAR FROM THE AUDIENCE: Nobody came forward.

OMNIBUS VOTE: Village Clerk Washington read the following items “A” through “D” for the Board’s consideration.

- A. RESOLUTION R-2178 / BULK ROCK SALT/STREET MILLING/HMA SURFACE MIX: Pass a resolution appropriating \$196,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for the purpose of maintaining streets and highways under the applicable provisions of the Illinois Highway Code.
- B. ORDINANCE M-1929 / SIGN VARIANCE – US BANK, 18300 DIXIE HIGHWAY: Pass an ordinance granting a variation from Table 86-1 of the Homewood Municipal Code to allow retention of a non-conforming pole sign on a property less than 35,000 square feet in area on the property at 18300 Dixie Highway, Homewood, Illinois.
- C. ORDINANCE M-1930 / SIGN VARIANCE – CHIROPRACTIC CARE, 2421 183RD STREET: Pass an ordinance granting a variation from Table 86-1 of the Homewood Municipal Code to allow retention of a non-conforming pole sign on a property less than 35,000 square feet in area on the property at 2421 183rd Street, Homewood, Illinois.
- D. ORDINANCE MC-909 / CHAPTER 86 – SIGNS: Pass an ordinance amending Chapter 86, Signs, of the Homewood Municipal Code revising electronic sign restrictions.

A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Colton to pass, approve, accept, or award Omnibus items “A” through “D”.

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

- E. ORDINANCE MC-910 / ZONING ORDINANCE – MEDICAL CANNABIS CULTIVATION CENTERS AND DISPENSING ORGANIZATIONS: Pass an ordinance amending the Homewood Zoning Ordinance designating medical cannabis cultivation centers and dispensing organizations as a special use in the limited manufacturing zoning district and providing specific standards governing said use.

Omnibus item “E” was tabled until the next meeting.

Village Clerk Washington read Omnibus item “F” for the Board’s consideration.

- F. BUDGET AMENDMENT / EVENTS: Approve a budget amendment increasing the Community Events program by \$2,440.

Trustee Kataras expressed concerns regarding repeatedly going over budget for the Community Events Programs. Trustee Colton supported the budget but expressed that the budget should be adhered to in the future. The rest of the Board expressed approval for the increase.

A motion was made by Trustee Robertson and seconded by Trustee Colton to pass, approve, accept, or award Omnibus item “F”.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Purcell, Trustee Colton, Trustee Robertson, and President Hofeld. NAYS – Trustee Kataras and Trustee Heiferman. ABSENT – Trustee Dawkins. The motion was defeated.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Colton to begin the Public Hearing.

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

PUBLIC HEARING/BOND ISSUE NOTIFICATION

CALL TO ORDER: At 7:49 p.m., Village President Richard Hofeld announced that the next agenda item for the President and Board of Trustees was a public hearing (the “Hearing”) to receive public comments on the proposal to sell not to exceed \$2,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds (the “Bonds”) for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing public capital infrastructure improvements and acquiring capital equipment in and for the Village and explained that all persons desiring to be heard would have an opportunity to present written or oral testimony with respect thereto.

ROLL CALL: Village Clerk Karen Washington recorded the Roll Call. Those responding were Trustee Tom Kataras, Trustee Lisa Purcell, Trustee Anne Colton, Trustee Jay Heiferman, and Trustee Ray Robertson. Trustee Barbara Dawkins was absent and did not participate in the meeting in any manner or to any extent whatsoever.

Village President Hofeld opened the discussion and explained that the reasons that the proposed issuance of the Bonds were as follows: Public Safety Equipment, Information Technology Improvements, Vehicles, Infrastructure/DPW Projects, and Facility Improvements.

DISCUSSION: Village President Hofeld asked for additional comments from the members of the President and Board of Trustees. Additional comments were made by the following:

Trustee Heiferman indicated that it is a good idea to use the new way of funding. President Hofeld mentioned that the Village of Homewood is doing well regarding financial standing.

COMMENTS OF WRITTEN TESTIMONY: Village President Hofeld asked for any written comments from the public. No written testimony concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds was received.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: Village President Hofeld asked for any oral testimony or public comments concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds. There were no statements made concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds.

ADJOURN: Village President Hofeld then announced that all persons desiring to be heard had been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the Bonds. Village President Hofeld asked for a motion to adjourn the Hearing.

A motion was made by Trustee Kataras, seconded by Trustee Colton that the Hearing be finally adjourned. After a full discussion thereof, Village President Hofeld directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion. **Roll Call: AYES: Trustee Kataras, Trustee Purcell, Trustee Colton, Trustee Heiferman, and Trustee Robertson. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Trustee Dawkins. Motion Carried.**

Village President Hofeld declared the motion carried and the Hearing was finally adjourned and returned to regular session.

ORDINANCE M-1931 / PUD AMENDMENT – MULTI-TENANT BUILDING / 17575 HALSTED STREET: The Board was asked to consider a motion to pass an ordinance granting final approval to an amendment of the Park Place Plaza Planned Unit Development for construction of a multi-tenant building on Lot 4A in the Park Place Plaza Resubdivision in the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois. There were no questions or comments.

A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Colton to pass an ordinance granting final approval to an amendment of the Park Place Plaza Planned Unit Development for construction of a multi-tenant building on Lot 4A in the Park Place Plaza Resubdivision in the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.

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

RESOLUTION R-2179 / 17575 HALSTED STREET / CLASS 8 PROPERTY TAX DESIGNATION: Director of Community Development Paula Wallrich presented information regarding a Class 8 Property Tax designation. The Board was asked to consider a motion to pass a resolution determining the appropriateness for Class 8 status pursuant to the Cook County Real Property Classification Ordinance as amended April 9, 2002, for certain real estate located at 17575 Halsted Street, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, owned by GMX Midland Homewood I, LLC.

After Director Wallrich spoke, a representative from GMX Midlands-Homewood I, spoke about being excited to bring new businesses to Homewood. Trustee Robertson mentioned his desire

that Cook County were treated in the same manner as the rest of the state and not have to deal with Class 8. The Board indicated their support for the resolution.

A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Heiferman to pass a resolution determining the appropriateness for Class 8 status pursuant to the Cook County Real Property Classification Ordinance as amended April 9, 2002, for certain real estate located at 17575 Halsted Street, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, owned by GMX Midland Homewood I, LLC.

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

MANAGER’S REPORT: A verbal report was not provided.

GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION: None

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Purcell to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:12 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Karen Washington
Village Clerk