

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY – August 12, 2014
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Village President Hofeld called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Fifty-seven people from the public were present. One person 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 Barbara Dawkins, Trustee Lisa Purcell, Trustee Anne Colton, Trustee Jay Heiferman, and Trustee Ray Robertson.

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF: Village President Hofeld introduced the present staff members: Village Manager Jim Marino, Village Attorney Christopher Cummings, Chief of Police Lawrence Burnson, Fire Chief Robert Grabowski, Director of Finance Dennis Bubenik, 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 – July 22, 2014.

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

CLAIMS LIST: There were no questions or comments. A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Kataras to approve the Claims List of Tuesday – August 12, 2014 in the amount of \$903,327.65.

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

PRESENTATIONS:

RESOLUTION R-2183 / MARK PHALEN / 20 YEARS OF SERVICE / POLICE DEPARTMENT: The Board considered a motion to pass a resolution honoring Mark Phalen for 20 years of service to the Village of Homewood.

A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Kataras to pass a resolution honoring Mark Phalen for 20 years of service to the Village of Homewood.

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

OATH OF OFFICE / ROBERT MISNER / POLICE SERGEANT: The Village Clerk administered the oath of office to Robert Misner as Police Sergeant for the Village of Homewood.

OATH OF OFFICE / STEVEN DE JONG / DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF: The Village Clerk administered the oath of office to Steven DeJong as Deputy Fire Chief for the Village of Homewood.

APPOINTMENTS: The Board considered a motion to approve the reappointments of Mary Nell Bulfer and Fred Sierzega to the Zone Board of Appeals for terms ending 7/31/2019.

A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Colton to approve the reappointments of Mary Nell Bulfer and Fred Sierzega to the Zone Board of Appeals for terms ending 7/31/2019.

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

HEAR FROM THE AUDIENCE: Nobody came forward.

OMNIBUS VOTE: The Board was asked to consider a motion to pass, approve, accept, or award the following items “A” through “C”:

- A. ORDINANCE M-1933 / SALE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT: Pass an ordinance providing for the sale of certain personal property owned by the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.
- B. BID WAIVER / PURCHASE OF TWO (2) PICKUP TRUCKS: Waive competitive bidding due to joint governmental purchasing program and purchase two (2) 2014 Ford F150 pickup trucks from the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative Contract #111, through Freeway Ford in a total amount of \$37,842.
- C. CARTEGRAPH UPGRADE – ONLINE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (OMS):
 - i. BUDGET AMENDMENT: A budget amendment transferring \$10,450 from Sewer Lining to IT Services.
 - ii. AGREEMENT / CARTEGRAPH UPGRADE: Authorize the Village Manager to enter into an agreement with Cartegraph Systems, Inc. for the installation, implementation and training of the OMS software in an amount not to exceed \$17,400.

A motion was made by Trustee Heiferman and seconded by Trustee Robertson to pass, approve, accept, or award the items “A” through “C”.

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

D. CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (CBD) NEW MURAL PROJECT / 18219 DIXIE HIGHWAY:

- i. **AGREEMENT / RICHARD J. HAAS:** An agreement between the Village of Homewood and Richard J. Haas for artist services with respect to a new mural on the south facing wall of 18219 Dixie Highway in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 plus travel expenses.

A motion was made by Trustee Dawkins and seconded by Trustee Colton to pass, approve, accept, or award item one of “D”.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, Trustee Purcell, Trustee Colton, and Trustee Heiferman. NAYS – Trustee Robertson. The motion carried.

- ii. **AGREEMENT / THOMAS MELVIN PAINTING STUDIO:** An agreement between the Village of Homewood and Thomas Melvin Painting Studio for painting services with respect to a new mural on the south facing wall of 18219 Dixie Highway in an amount not to exceed \$23,000.

A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Colton to pass, approve, accept, or award item two of “D”.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, Trustee Purcell, Trustee Colton, and Trustee Heiferman. NAYS – Trustee Robertson. The motion carried.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

NEW LIQUOR LICENSE CLASSIFICATION / 18201 DIXIE HIGHWAY: Finance Director Dennis Bubenik presented a request for a new Class 4B Liquor License to accommodate Fratello’s Café to be located at 18201 Dixie Highway.

Next, the owner of the restaurant spoke. The Board indicated their support of Fratello’s Café having a liquor license.

A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Kataras to direct staff to draft an ordinance creating a new Class 4B liquor license for a restaurant with bar but no video gaming devices.

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

GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX BONDS: Director Bubenik discussed funding the construction of public capital infrastructure improvements and acquiring capital equipment

through the issuance of \$1,731,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds. After he spoke, the Board complimented him and his department on a job well done.

A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Kataras to pass an ordinance providing for the issue of \$1,731,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2014, of the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, for the purposes of paying the costs of constructing public capital infrastructure improvements and acquiring capital equipment in and for the Village and for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds.

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

RESOLUTION R-2184 / 925 175TH STREET / CLASS 8 PROPERTY TAX DESIGNATION: Village Manager Jim Marino discussed a request from Fleet Park, LLC, a holding company that owns Eagle Express Lines, for a Class 8 property tax designation for the property located at 925 175th Street. After Village Manager Marino finished speaking, Todd Pals, the owner, talked about his business.

Trustee Kataras raised objections granting the Class 8 property designation contending that the other businesses should get the same designation if the Board voted to pass the resolution. Mr. Pals' attorney noted that the building would not be marketable without the designation. The rest of the Board supported passing the resolution.

A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Colton 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 925 175th Street, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, owned by Fleet Park, LLC.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Dawkins, Trustee Purcell, Trustee Colton, and Trustee Heiferman. NAYS – Trustee Kataras and Trustee Robertson. The motion carried.

GO GREEN TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) INCENTIVE PROGRAM / RICK THOMAS / 18154 MARTIN AVENUE: Village Manager Marino discussed a request from Rick Thomas, property owner of the mixed use development located at 18154 Martin Avenue, for financial assistance through the Go Green Program to replace the first floor windows to improve their energy efficiency. After Village Manager Marino spoke, there were no questions or comments.

The Board was asked to consider a motion to authorize the Village President to enter into an agreement with Rick Thomas, owner of the mixed use development located at 18154 Martin Avenue, for TIF funding under the Go Green Program in an amount not to exceed \$3,825.50.

A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Purcell to authorize the Village President to enter into an agreement with Rick Thomas, owner of the mixed use development

located at 18154 Martin Avenue, for TIF funding under the Go Green Program in an amount not to exceed \$3,825.50.

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

ORDINANCE MC-911 / MEDICAL CANNABIS: Village Manager Marino presented information about regulations for the cultivation and distribution of medical cannabis. After Village Manager Jim Marino spoke, President Hofeld reiterated that the designated area would be in the Manufacturing area if the State provides the license.

Last, some residents spoke to share their concerns. Others showed their support. Before voting, Trustee Kataras clarified the fact that Homewood doesn't get tax dollars from medical cannabis. Trustee Dawkins thanked everyone and shared that the ordinance is about zoning and not about allowing medical cannabis to be sold since it is already allowed legally.

The Board was asked to consider a motion to pass an ordinance amending the Homewood Zoning Ordinance designating medical cannabis cultivation centers and dispensing organizations as a permitted use in the Limited Manufacturing Zoning District and providing specific standards governing said use.

A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Purcell to pass an ordinance amending the Homewood Zoning Ordinance designating medical cannabis cultivation centers and dispensing organizations as a permitted use in the Limited Manufacturing Zoning District and providing specific standards governing said use.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustee Kataras, Trustee Dawkins, Trustee Purcell, and Trustee Colton. NAYS – Trustee Heiferman and Trustee Robertson. The motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Village Manager Marino informed everyone that the Dog Days of Summer would take place on Saturday – August 16th. The event will be located on Ridge Road from Martin Avenue to Harwood Avenue.

GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION: Trustee Heiferman indicated that he would like Homewood to enforce the code ensuring that signs are maintained.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Kataras and seconded by Trustee Colton to stop the Regular Meeting at 8:42 p.m. and enter into Executive Session to discuss employment of a specific employee or employees.

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

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: The Executive Session ended at 9:10 p.m.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Purcell to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:10 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Washington
Village Clerk