

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
TUESDAY—JUNE 9, 2015  
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Village President Hofeld called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Approximately 8 people from the public were present. One press representative was in the audience.

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

ROLL CALL: Clerk Marilyn Thomas recorded the roll call. Those present were Village President Richard Hofeld, Trustee Barbara Dawkins, Trustee Lisa Purcell, Trustee Karen Washington, Trustee Anne Colton and Trustee Jay Heiferman. Trustee Ray Robertson was absent.

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF: Village President Hofeld introduced staff members in attendance: Village Attorney Christopher Cummings, Village Manager Jim Marino, Director of Finance Dennis Bubenik, and Assistant Village Manager Michael Marzal.

MINUTES: The minutes of May 26, 2015 were presented. A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Heiferman to approve the minutes of May 26, 2015.

***Roll Call: AYES – Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, and Heiferman. NAYS – None. ABSTAIN—Trustee Colton. ABSENT-Trustee Robertson. Motion carried.***

CLAIMS LIST: The Claims List of \$767,588.34 was reviewed. President Hofeld said approximately 80 percent of the claims list was attributed to four major expenses: \$73,647.62 to Thorn Creek Sanitary District; \$234,877.29 to Motorola Solutions for fire department radios; \$184,706.54 to IPBC as the monthly payment for employee health insurance, and \$133,784.17 to GA Paving LLC for street resurfacing. There were no questions from the Trustees.

A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Purcell for the Board to approve the June 9, 2015 Claims List in the amount of \$767,588.34.

***Roll Call: AYES – Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, Colton and Heiferman. NAYS – None. ABSENT- Trustee Robertson. Motion carried.***

HEAR FROM THE AUDIENCE: President Hofeld invited members of the audience to address any issues not on the agenda.

Joseph Henry, a member of Boy Scout Troop 364, said he and several other troop members are working on a citizenship badge and asked to meet with village officials after the meeting.

Elaine Egdorf of the Homewood Heritage Committee gave a brief history of the Drivin' the Dixie event. She said the event has been a great success recognizing Dixie Highway from Blue Island to Momence. Each community has developed its own programs around the main event. The event is held the third Saturday of June. This year the event will be June 20. Registrations are being accepted now. Cars participating in Drivin' the Dixie should be in Homewood between 10 a.m. and noon. The route will take drivers off of Dixie into the Ravisloe neighborhood west of the Metra station to show them the variety of housing in the neighborhood. The meeting place in Homewood will be Independence Park on Dixie Highway, and the members of St. Paul Community Church on Dixie Highway will open the church to guests as part of the church's 150th anniversary celebration.

OMNIBUS VOTE: Village Clerk Thomas read the following items:

- A. ANNUAL REPORT / BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS: Accept the 2014 Annual Report for the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.
- B. ORDINANCE M-1966 / SALE OF CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY: Pass an ordinance providing for the sale of certain personal property owned by the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.
- C. ORDINANCE MC-925 / LIQUOR LICENSE FEES: Pass an ordinance amending Section 10-56 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, concerning Liquor License fees.
- D. ORDINANCE MC-926 / BUSINESS LICENSING FEES: Pass an ordinance amending Section 26-37 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, concerning Business Licensing fees.
- E. ORDINANCE MC-927 / BUSINESS INSPECTION FEES: Pass an ordinance amending Section 42-105 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, concerning Business Inspection fees.
- F. ORDINANCE MC-928 / TOBACCO LICENSES: Pass an ordinance amending Chapter 14 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, concerning Tobacco licenses.
- G. CONTRACT RENEWAL / TREE TRIMMING: Renew the Tree Trimming and Stump Removal Contract with Winkler's Tree Service, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$112,000.00.

A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Purcell to accept the Omnibus Report. President Hofeld made note that the license fee increases had been discussed previously as part of the Board's review of the annual budget.

***Roll Call: AYES – Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, Colton and Heiferman.  
NAYS – None. ABSENT- Trustee Robertson. Motion carried.***

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCE M-1967 / SPECIAL USE - LEARNING CENTER:** Village Manager Marino brought before the Board an application for a special use permit for a new business, Excuse Free Fitness, at 18729-31 Dixie Highway. The space was previously occupied by Curves, which also received a special use permit, but because the space has been empty for more than two years, the new business needs to reapply for the special use permit.

Caprice O’Bryant, the owner of Excuse Free Fitness, told the Board that she is certified by the National Association of Sports Medicine and is a personal trainer. She has designed programs to assist people with weight loss through exercise and nutritional meal planning. Hours of operation will be 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Dawkins to pass an ordinance granting a special use permit to Caprice O’Bryant to allow a learning center at 18729-18731 Dixie Highway, Homewood, Cook County, Illinois.

***Roll Call: AYES – Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, Colton and Heiferman.  
NAYS – None. ABSENT- Trustee Robertson. Motion carried.***

**MANAGER’S REPORT:** Village Manager Marino told Trustees the renovation of the second floor offices at Village Hall is nearing completion.

He also reported that the first phase of the Martin Avenue construction project will be completed by the first week of July.

He invited the community to the Art & Garden Fair set for Friday and Saturday, June 12 and 13.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:** Trustees did not bring forward any outstanding or new business.

**ADJOURN:** A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Purcell to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Thomas  
Village Clerk