

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY—NOVEMBER 14, 2017
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Village President Hofeld called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. There were approximately 10 people from the public present. Three press representatives were in attendance.

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

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

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF: Village President Hofeld introduced staff members in attendance: Village Attorney Christopher Cummings, Village Manager Jim Marino, Assistant Village Manager Napoleon Haney, Director of Finance Dennis Bubenik, and Fire Chief Bob Grabowski.

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of October 24, 2017, were accepted. A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Purcell to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2017, regular board meeting.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, and Burnson. NAYS – None. ABSTAIN – Trustee Colton. Motion carried.

CLAIMS LIST: The Claims List of \$514,993.01 was reviewed. There were no questions from the Trustees.

A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Burnson to approve the Claims List as presented.

Roll Call: AYES – Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, Colton and Burnson. NAYS – None. Motion carried.

President Hofeld said two items made up more than 50 percent of the claims list: Group health insurance \$204,101.79 and Thorn Creek Sanitary District \$77,858.00.

HEAR FROM THE AUDIENCE: President Hofeld invited anyone in the audience to address the board on any subject not on the agenda. No comments were offered.

OMNIBUS VOTE: Clerk Thomas presented the Omnibus Vote:

- A. RESOLUTION R-2288/APPROPRIATION OF MOTOR FUEL TAX (MFT): Pass a resolution for Improvements by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code appropriating \$117,000 of MFT funds for the required local match for the Intermodal Station Improvement Project.
- B. ORDINANCE MC-987/REVISIONS TO THE BUILDING PERMIT EXPIRATION AND REFUSE CONTAINER REGULATIONS: Pass an ordinance amending Chapters 22 and 90 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, modifying building permit expiration dates and refuse container storage requirements.
- C. ORDINANCE MC-988/NEW LIQUOR LICENSE CLASS: Pass an ordinance amending Chapter 10 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, concerning licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages.
- D. ORDINANCE M-2060/HOMEWOOD SCIENCE CENTER BUILDING LEASE: Pass an ordinance authorizing the lease of the village-owned property to the Homewood Science Center, a not-for-profit corporation, for a renewable five-year term.
- E. BUDGET AMENDMENT/ POLICE DEPARTMENT BASEMENT RESTROOM: Approve a budget amendment increasing Police Department Basement Restroom line item (34-3-831-55-3820) from \$20,000 to \$42,500.
- F. BID AWARD/POLICE DEPARTMENT RESTROOM BID: Award the bid for the construction of a Police Department restroom to Complete Construction Resources, lowest responsible bidder, for a total amount of \$40,000.00.
- G. BID AWARD/ STREET LIGHT LED REPLACEMENT: Reject the lowest bid from Shine Lighting for failure to be an authorized dealer in this area, per the Manufacturer and award the bid to Helsel Jepperson Electrical, the lowest responsible bidder, in a total amount of \$36,640.05.

A motion was made by Trustee Colton and seconded by Trustee Purcell for the board to accept the Omnibus Vote as presented.

Roll Call: AYES – President Hofeld, Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, Colton and Burnson. NAYS – None. Motion carried.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

REVISED EMERGENCY PLAN: Chief Grabowski asked the board to approve the 2018-2019 Village of Homewood Emergency Operation Plan. It is updated every two years and gives direction on how staff, in partnership with mutual aid teams,

will work in the event of an emergency. Chief Grabowski said the training scenario this year dealt with a failure to the water supply system. In the past, the event was a live shooter. The emergency plan was put in place after the events of 9/11.

Trustees thanked the Chief was his time and expertise in putting the report together.

A motion was made by Trustee Burnson and seconded by Trustee Colton to accept the 2018-2019 Emergency Operation Plan.

Roll Call: AYES – President Hofeld, Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, Colton and Burnson. NAYS – None. Motion carried.

HOME RULE LIMITATIONS: Manager Marino asked the Trustees for feedback on Board limitations should the March 2018 home rule referendum pass. He said he investigated nine other communities in the Chicago area and found: 4 set limits on property taxes; 2 set limits on gas taxes and set sunset dates; 2 set debt limits; 2 required public notices on tax increases.

President Hofeld asked if anyone in the audience had comments on home rule. None were offered.

Trustees said their concerns were giving the public notice of any future changes, such as tax increases, and making certain the public had ample time to offer comments. Trustee Burnson said he especially liked the way the Village of Downers Grove spelled out restrictions.

Manager Marino said he would take their suggestions and prepare a document for Trustees' review spelling out proposed limitations.

MANAGER'S REPORT: NONE

GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION: NONE

A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Burnson to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Roll Call: AYES – President Hofeld, Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, Colton and Burnson. NAYS – None. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marilyn Thomas
Village Clerk