LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Homewood's President and Board of Trustees shall hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 9, 2019 in the Homewood Village Hall, 2020 Chestnut Road, Homewood, Illinois to receive oral and written comments concerning the proposed budget for fiscal year 2019-20. Copies of the proposed budget are available for public inspection in the Homewood Village Hall during normal business hours as of March 29, 2019.

Jim Marino
Village Manager 03/29/2019 6212084
CALL TO ORDER: Village President Hofeld called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. There were 20 members of the public present and one press representative.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Village President Hofeld led trustees 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 Lauren Roman, and Trustee Larry Burnson. Trustee Jay Heiferman was absent.

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF: Village President Hofeld introduced staff members in attendance: Village Manager Jim Marino, Village Attorney Christopher Cummings, Police Chief Bill Alcott, Fire Chief Bob Grabowski, Director of Finance Dennis Bubenik, Assistant Director of Finance Amy Zukowski, Director of Public Works John Schaefer, Assistant Village Manager Napoleon Haney and Director of Marketing Jennifer Quirke.

MINUTES: The minutes of the regular meeting of March 12, 2019, were presented. There were no comments or corrections.

A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Washington to approve the minutes as presented.

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

CLAIMS LIST: The Claims List of $311,238.04 was reviewed. There were no questions from the Trustees.

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

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

President Hofeld reported one item equaled 34 percent of the Claims List: $104,536.32 to Thorn Creek Sanitary District.
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 Agenda:

A. **REAPPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE:** Approve the reappointment of Trustee Barbara Dawkins as President Pro Tempore.

B. **RESOLUTION R-3020/METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS’ GREENEST REGION COMPACT:** Pass a resolution endorsing the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus’ Greenest Region Compact program.

C. **RESOLUTION R-3021/POWER PLANT:** Pass a resolution urging officials to reconsider the proposal to construct a power plant.

D. **RESOLUTION R-3022/2005 MFT STREET RESURFACING PROGRAM-PAVEMENT PATCHING OF 183RD STREET:** Pass a resolution for improvement by municipality under the Illinois Highway Code appropriating $2,869.99 from the Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) fund for street improvements from Kedzie Avenue to Grenoble Drive.

E. **BID REJECTION/STREET SWEEPING:** Reject the lowest bid of $52,390.80 from Lakeshore Recycling Systems, Inc due to performance issues and award the bid to the next lowest bidder Illinois Central Sweeping Services for 5 residential sweeps and 15 commercial sweeps between May 1, 2019 and April 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed $8,197 per residential sweep and $800 per commercial sweep, for a total amount of $52,985.00.

F. **BID AWARD/CrushED LIMESTONE:** Award the bid for the purchase of limestone to DLJ Trucking, LLC, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amounts of $11.00/ton of CA6 stone, $15.50/ton for 1” stone, and $12.31/ton for 2” stone, for a total amount not to exceed $47,250.00.

G. **BID AWARD/BITUMINOUS MIXES (ASPHALT):** Award the bid for bituminous mixes (asphalt) to D Construction, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amounts of $51.00/ton for surface mix, $45.50 for binder mix, and $110.00/ton for cold patch mix, for a total amount not to exceed $35,000.00.

H. **BID AWARD/PAVEMENT MARKING PROGRAM:** Award the bid for the pavement marking program to Traffic Control Co., the lowest responsible bidder, in the unit prices of $0.22/4” pavement markings, $0.53/6” pavement markings, $1.25/12” pavement markings, $2.65/24” pavement markings, $2.66/letters and symbols, and $1.50/pavement marking removal, for a total not to exceed $112,271.36.
I. VEHICLE PURCHASE/ 2019 FORD UTILITY INTERCEPTOR:

i. BUDGET AMENDMENT/2019 FORD UTILITY INTERCEPTOR: Approve a budget amendment increasing the Police Squad #13 line item (01-3-812-55-7724) by $35,000.00.

ii. BID WAIVER/POLICE VEHICLE- 2019 FORD UTILITY INTERCEPTOR: Waiving competitive bidding requirements due to the Joint Purchasing Program and purchase one 2019 Ford Utility Interceptor through the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative from Currie Motors for $30,250.00.

Several people addressed the board. Dave Ward congratulated the village on becoming a part of the Greenest Region Compact.

He also thanked the board for taking a stand on the proposed power plant in neighboring Glenwood. His comment received cheers from the audience.

Ward also asked the board to consider establishing an advisory group on environmental issues. He recognizes that the village is part of an intergovernmental environment group, but he would like to see Homewood have its own program.

Elizabeth Kaye also addressed the board thanking trustees for taking a position against the proposed power plant in Glenwood.

President Hofeld asked for Trustee comments on the Omnibus Report. Trustee Dawkins said it was the first time in the 10 years that she has been on the board that the board has taken a position against an action by a surrounding community, but she was thankful for the board’s proactive stance on a matter she believed would be detrimental to Homewood. Her fellow trustees agreed with her comments. Trustee Burnson said it was the first time in his 40-plus years in municipal work that such action was taken, but he believed Homewood needed to speak on the issue, and Trustee Washington called it a proud moment for Homewood.

A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Washington to accept the Omnibus Report.

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

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

2019-2021 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET: Trustees had a full budget report in-hand. Finance Director Bubenik outlined the highlights of the proposed budget.

The budget is approximately $35 million. Of that, two-thirds is the General Fund paying for police, fire and public works. The Village gets 70 percent of its revenue through five taxing sources: property, income, utility, sales and places to eat.
The Village will be increasing ambulance fees by $127,000. It is the first increase since 2015.

The board has a foreclosure/maintenance program that is expected to bring in $58,000. Homewood has been a member of the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA) for 20 years and IRMA shares investment earnings. Homewood will ask IRMA for $600,000 of its investment earnings and direct it for economic development projects.

Budget lines being increased are: $45,000 for grant writer; $25,000 for a review and necessary changes to the Municipal Code; $50,000 for tree removal; fire engine lease for $30,000; and $25,000 for part-time police officers.

Bubenik said there was a zero percent increase in health care. The village will begin leasing vehicles rather than purchasing them.

The budget shows a surplus of a little more than $500,000. The fund balance has about 4.5 months on hand.

President Hofeld thanked Director Bubenik and Assistant Director Zukowski for their outstanding work on the budget, and extended thanks to Manager Marino and the department heads who had input on the budget. Trustees congratulated Bubenik and Zukowski for their continued good work.

A motion was made by Trustee Burnson and seconded by Trustee Purcell to direct staff to draft for future consideration an ordinance adopting the 2019-2021 budget.

**Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, Roman, and Burnson. NAYS—None. Motion carried.**

President Hofeld announced that Village Board meetings will have an earlier start time. Beginning with the May 14 meeting, the board meetings will begin at 7 p.m.

A motion was made by Trustee Burnson and seconded by Trustee Roman that the board move into Executive Session to discuss the purchase or lease of real property and to discuss the compensation of a specific employee or employees.

**Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Washington, Roman, and Burnson. NAYS—None. Motion carried.**

The public portion of the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:45 p.m.

A motion was made by Trustee Burnson and seconded by Trustee Roman to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.
The meeting was adjourned on voice vote at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Thomas