

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK  
HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M.  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF OAK PARK VILLAGE HALL**

**OFFICIAL RECORD:**

**PRESENT:** Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope  
**ABSENT:** None  
**QUORUM:** President Pope called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM and declared that a quorum was present.

REGULAR  
MEETING  
11/19/2007

**AGENDA:**

It was moved by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Hedges, that the agenda of tonight's Regular Board Meeting be approved.

A voice vote was taken and the agenda was approved.

AGENDA FOR  
THIS  
EVENING'S  
MEETING  
APPROVED

**MINUTES:**

It was moved by Trustee Pate, seconded by Trustee Johnson, that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 be approved. It was pointed out that a minor correction was required on page 9 of the draft minutes.

A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as amended.

MINUTES OF  
11/5/2007  
APPROVED AS  
AMENDED

**AWARDS:**

**Annual Community Design Commission Cavalcade of Pride Awards**

Community Design Commission Chair Robert Tucker presented these annual awards. The winners were as follows:

ANNUAL  
COMMUNITY  
DESIGN  
COMMISSION  
CAVALCADE OF  
PRIDE AWARDS

<b>AWARD TYPE</b>	<b>WINNERS</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>
Zone 1	Basil & Nancy Demeur	1018 N. Forest
Zone 2	Sumir & Amy Kapur	927 N. Elmwood
Zone 3	Mary K. Shaw	52 LeMoyne
Zone 4	Carole Powers Lauck	511 N. Grove
Zone 5	The Fiumara Family	215 N. Euclid
Zone 6	James & Zoe Greco	205 N. Lombard
Zone 7	Luke & Katie McGuire	1105 S. Wisconsin
Zone 8	T. Major & Joan Mathein	1134 S. Wesley
Zone 9	Len & Laura Fransen	1132 S. Harvey
Multi-family	Greenplan Management	902-910 N. Austin
Multi-family	Jersey Development Partners	900-910 S. Taylor
Block	⇒	400 N. Scoville
Special	First United Church of God	928 Lake Street
Special	Unity Church of Oak Park	405 N. Euclid
Garden	Sherry L. Kureck	616 S. Cuyler

Garden	Bill & Mary Pat Sieck	707 S. Clarence
Commercial	Trattoria 225	225 Harrison Ave.
Commercial	Terra Incognito	246 Chicago
Transformed	Gove Court Townhouse Association	215-217 N. Grove
Transformed	Arturas Barakuskas	801 N. Lombard
Business Sign	The Oak Park Abbey	728 Lake Street
Business Sign	Majamas Boutique	909 S. Lombard
Good Neighbor	Dan's Bike Shop	6715 Roosevelt, Berwyn

President Pope suggested a break to allow Trustees to mingle with Award winners.

7:45 – 8:00 PM

**NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:**

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PUBLIC  
COMMENT

Daniel Fore, 1116 Garfield. Mr. Fore discussed the history of Thanksgiving.

**BUDGET HEARING**

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HEARING

CFO Craig Lesner presented an updated budget from that offered in October. The updated budget shows Costs at \$50.2 million, Revenues at \$46.7 million, resulting in a \$3.5 million Gap. Mr. Lesner suggested three possible remedies for mitigating the Gap. These were increasing the Property Tax Levy, increasing Parking rates and transferring monies from on-street parking permits to the Parking Fund on a one-time basis only.

Mr. Lesner also pointed out a \$3.3 million shortfall in Water and Sewer Funds where Costs are at \$11.9 million and Revenues are at \$8.6 million. Water and Sewer Costs include street repaving, and sewer and meter replacements. Remedies for this shortfall include raising Water and Sewer rates 10, 15 or 20%.

Finally, the Parking Fund Gap was detailed. Costs are \$6.5 million; Revenues are \$3.5 million resulting in a Gap of \$3.0 million. Remedies include charging for parking during all time frames, raising rates in all time frames, restructuring debt resulting in a three year debt holiday, revising the Guest Pass system from a phone hotline to pre-purchased booklets of passes, transferring monies from on-street permits and re-examining Security contracts.

President Pope declared the Budget Hearing open and asked for Public Comment. Seeing none, President Pope closed the Budget Hearing and announced the next opportunity for Public Comment will be on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Trustee Johnson suggested that comments concerning the Village Budget can be emailed to the Board at [board@oak-park.us](mailto:board@oak-park.us).

**VILLAGE MANAGER REPORTS**

VILLAGE  
MANAGER  
REPORTS

**A. Reports:**

**1. Construction Updates**

- Marion St: 95% done; Big Opening 5PM tomorrow 11/20/07
- Division & Augusta: will be completed soon
- 1100 South Taylor – to be finished by mid-December

- Wenonah: Brick layers will return after Marion is completed
- Prairie Way: Elevator tower underway

**2. Parking Meter Keys**

Village Manager Barwin described the rechargeable parking meter key. The keys can be loaded with dollar values making a pocket full of change unnecessary for frequent meter users.

**3. Marion Street Grand Opening Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 PM**

“On time, on budget and beautiful” declared President Pope, and reminded everyone to attend the opening which promised to be a wonderful event.

**CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

*Citizen Involvement Commission Recommendations*

**B. Citizen Commission Vacancies**

Stacy Sorg, Chair of the Citizen Involvement Commission, announced the next Prospects Meeting will be held Wednesday December 5<sup>th</sup>. With assistance from President Pope she pointed out several commissions are very much in need of new members: Fire and Police Commission, Citizen Police Oversight Committee, Community Relations Commission, Citizen Involvement Commission, and the Housing Programs Advisory Committee.

**C. Citizen Commission Appointments**

It was moved by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Pate, to concur in the following appointment by President Pope:

**Community Relations Commission**

Appointment of JoEtta M. Harris, as member, with a term to expire November 19, 2010.

A voice vote was taken and the Appointments were approved.

*Community Relations Commission Recommendation*

**D. It was moved by Trustee Pate, seconded by Trustee Hale, to concur in a Recommendation to Revise the Village’s Diversity Statement and Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Documents for Board Approval at a Subsequent Meeting.**

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Recommendation was approved.

CITIZEN  
ADVISORY  
BOARDS AND  
COMMISSIONS

CITIZEN  
COMMISSION  
VACANCIES

CITIZEN  
COMMISSION  
APPOINTMENTS

COMMUNITY  
RELATIONS  
COMMISSION:  
DIVERSITY  
STATEMENT  
REVISION

*Historic Preservation Commission Recommendation*

- E. It was moved by Trustee Hedges, seconded by Trustee Johnson, that Resolution 2007-R-205 entitled **RESOLUTION THAT SUPPORTS THE APPLICATION BY THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION TO DESIGNATE OAK PARK AS A PRESERVE AMERICA COMMUNITY** be adopted, true and correct copies of said Resolution herewith being ordered filed in the office of the Village Clerk.

OAK PARK APPLIES TO BE DESIGNATED A "PRESERVE AMERICA" COMMUNITY

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution was approved.

*Traffic Commission Recommendation*

- G. It was moved by Trustee Marsey, seconded by Trustee Hedges, to concur in **A Motion to Accept Recommendations Regarding a Staff Proposal for Shared Resident and Employee Parking Along South Boulevard in Front of the Village of Oak Park Public Works Center Building and to Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Documents, including The Adoption of an Ordinance to Amend an Ordinance to Establish Four Public Works Center Employee Carpool Only 6am-8:30am, Monday-Friday restricted parking spaces at the eastern edge of Village Parking Lot #65 near Lombard Avenue, and Adopt an Ordinance to Amend an Ordinance to expand Village Parking Lot #64 to include 14 additional parallel parking spaces on the south side of South Boulevard, directly opposite the existing diagonal Lot 64 parking spaces, and Adopt an Ordinance to amend an Ordinance to authorize Public Works Center employees to park in Lots 64 and SB1 during normal business hours, and**

SEVERAL PARKING CHANGES NEAR THE NEW PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Recommendations were approved.

For the record, President Pope asks that staff and Commission come back with further work on subpart G.3.a. "Require Village of Oak Park employees to pay a fee to park in Village owned parking lots."

- H. It was suggested that H.1., H.2. and H.3. be taken together under H. It was moved by Trustee Hedges, seconded by Trustee Marsey, to concur in the **Petition to Remove the No Parking 7am-4pm School Days Restriction on Thomas Street between Harvey and Cuyler Avenues, and Adopt a Motion to Rescind the No Parking 7am-4pm School Days Restriction on Thomas Street between Cuyler and Harvey Avenues, and Adopt a Motion to install a No Parking Anytime restriction on the north side of Thomas Street in the Thomas Street and south leg of Cuyler Avenue intersection and on the North side of Thomas Street in the**

PARKING CHANGES ON THOMAS STREET

**Thomas Street and south leg of Harvey Avenue intersection, and Adopt a Motion to remove the first parking space on the south side of Thomas Street east of the south leg of Cuyler Avenue.**

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Recommendations were approved.

***Public Art Advisory Commission Recommendation***

- I.** It was moved by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Pate, to concur in the **Motion to Accept the Public Art Advisory Commission Recommendation to Proceed with a Public Mural Project to be Completed in 2008.**

It was moved by Trustee Hedges, seconded by Trustee Hale, to table this motion until the January 3, 2008 Regular Board Meeting.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion to table was approved.

PUBLIC MURAL PROJECT  
TABLED UNTIL  
JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>  
MEETING

***Retail Support Committee Recommendations***

- J.** It was moved by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Pate, that Resolution 2007-R-206 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A RETAIL SUPPORT GRANT TOTALING \$18,149 FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE GEPPETO'S TOY BOX AT 703 LAKE STREET, OAK PARK, IL 60302** be adopted, true and correct copies of said Resolution herewith being ordered filed in the office of the Village Clerk.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution was approved.

RETAIL SUPPORT GRANT FOR GEPPETO'S TOY BOX

- K.** It was moved by Trustee Pate, seconded by Trustee Moore, that Resolution 2007-R-207 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A RETAIL SUPPORT GRANT TOTALING \$35,000 FOR THE REHABILITATION OF CUCINA PARADISO AT 814 NORTH BLVD., OAK PARK, IL 60302** be adopted, true and correct copies of said Resolution herewith being ordered filed in the office of the Village Clerk.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

RETAIL SUPPORT GRANT FOR CUCINA PARADISO

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
The Resolution was approved.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**W1.** Joseph Kyles, Juan Salbania and Ade Onayemi, representing AGBA, LLC Development, made a presentation to the President and Board of Trustees regarding their Redevelopment Plan for Highland and Madison.

AGBA, LLC  
PRESENTS  
REDEVELOPMENT  
PLAN,

**W2.** It was moved by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Moore, that Resolution 2007-R-208 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A \$10,000 STIPEND TO THE AGBA, LLC DEVELOPMENT TEAM TO PREPARE A DETAILED PRELIMINARY PLAN FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF VILLAGE OWNED PARKING LOTS AT HIGHLAND AVENUE AND MADISON STREET** be adopted, true and correct copies of said Resolution herewith being ordered filed in the office of the Village Clerk.

AND  
\$10,000  
STIPEND  
AWARDED FOR  
DETAILED PLAN

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
The Resolution was approved.

**L.** It was moved by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Hedges, that an **Ordinance Reestablishing Village of Oak Park Special Service Area Number One with Altered Boundaries Thereby Extending the Effective Period for a Property Tax of Three Percent of Equalized Assessed Value in Relation thereto** be adopted, true and correct copies of said Resolution herewith being ordered filed in the office of the Village Clerk.

ORDINANCE  
REESTABLISHING  
SSA#1 WITH  
ALTERED  
BOUNDARIES  
AND  
EXTENDING 3%  
OF E.A.V.

Public comment was offered by a number of individuals:

- Eric Larson, 101 N. Marion, spoke in favor of the SSA#1 Tax.
- Pete Liarikos, 1115 Lake Street, spoke against the SSA#1 Tax.
- Anthony Shaker, 1100 Lake Street, spoke against the SSA#1 Tax.
- Willis Johnson, 603 Rogers Street, Downers Grove, spoke in favor of the SSA#1 Tax.
- Pat Zubak, 324 Wisconsin, spoke in favor of the SSA#1 Tax.
- Roger Cameron, 1103 Holley Court #103, spoke in favor of the SSA#1 Tax.
- John Eisner, 809 South Highland, spoke in favor of the SSA#1 Tax.
- Jim Heininger, 946 Forest, spoke in favor of the SSA#1 Tax.
- Adriana Kopecka, 628 Harrison Street, #2, spoke in favor of the SSA#1 Tax.
- Michael Fox, 1110 Pleasant Street, spoke in favor of the SSA#1 Tax.
- Takara Beathea Gadell, 211 South Cuyler Avenue, spoke in favor of the SSA#1 Tax.
- Bill Sullivan, 624 South Harvey, spoke in favor of the DTOP organization, but against the SSA#1 Tax without a time limit.

It was moved by Trustee Hedges, seconded by Trustee Moore, to postpone consideration of this Ordinance until the meeting of December 10<sup>th</sup> to allow for a review of the signatures on the objection petition.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion to postpone was approved.

CONTRACT WITH T.P.I. BUILDING CODE CONSULTANTS

**T.&U.** It was suggested by President Pope to take items T and U together. It was moved by Trustee Marsey, seconded by Trustee Pate, that Resolution 2007-R-209 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH T.P.I. BUILDING CODE CONSULTANTS, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90,000 TO PROVIDE INSPECTIONS SERVICES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007**, and Resolution 2007-R-210 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH B&F TECHNICAL CODE SERVICES, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 TO PROVIDE BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007**, be adopted, true and correct copies of said Resolutions herewith being ordered filed in the office of the Village Clerk.

CONTRACT WITH B&F TECHNICAL CODE CONSULTANTS

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolutions were approved.

HIGHWAY AUTHORITY AGREEMENT WITH RUSSO ENTERPRISES

**X.** It was moved by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Moore, that a Resolution 2007-R-211 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A HIGHWAY AUTHORITY AGREEMENT WITH RUSSO ENTERPRISES, INC. FOR 945 SOUTH OAK PARK AVENUE** be adopted, true and correct copies of said Resolution herewith being ordered filed in the office of the Village Clerk.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution was approved.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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**M.** Resolution 2007-R-212 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL**

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

**COOPERATION BETWEEN VILLAGE OF OAK PARK AND WEST SUBURBAN CONSOLIDATED DISPATCH CENTER FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**

WITH WSCDC FOR I.T. SERVICES

- N. Resolution 2007-R-213 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION BETWEEN VILLAGE OF OAK PARK AND VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH RIVER FOREST FOR I.T. SERVICES

- O. Resolution 2007-O-60 entitled **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AUCTIONING AND DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT ON AN “AS IS” BASIS**

DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS I.T. EQUIPMENT

- P. Resolution 2007-R-214 entitled **ADOPT RESOLUTION REQUESTING GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM DATA FROM THE COOK COUNTY ASSESSOR’S OFFICE RELATED TO THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK**

REQUESTING G.I.S. DATA FROM COOK COUNTY

- Q. Resolution 2007-O-61 entitled **ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO UPGRADE THE EXISTING TWO-WAY STOP SIGN CONROLS AT THE INTERSECTION OF EAST AVENUE AND ADAMS STREET TO ALL-WAY STOP SIGN CONTROLS**

UPGRADE 2-WAY TO ALL-WAY STOP AT EAST AND ADAMS

- S. **Motion to Refer Request for Zoning Ordinance Map Amendment to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the Purpose of Holding a Public Hearing and Preparing Findings of Fact for the Property Located at 453 South Boulevard**

REFER ZONING MAP AMENDMENT TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

It was moved by Trustee Pate, seconded by Trustee Hedges, to approve the items under the Consent Agenda. True and correct copies of the Resolutions and Ordinances are herewith ordered to be filed in the Office of the Village Clerk.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

AYES: Trustees Hale, Hedges, Johnson, Marsey, Moore, Pate and President Pope  
 NAYS: None  
 ABSENT: None  
 The motion was approved.

**CALL TO BOARD AND CLERK**

CALL TO BOARD AND CLERK

Village Clerk Sandra Sokol wished a Happy and Safe Thanksgiving to all.

Trustee Marsey said tomorrow (November 20<sup>th</sup>) Marion Street will be THE place to be!

Trustees Johnson and Pate described the *Momenta Dance Company* performance as very powerful.

President Pope reminded all about the dedication of the new Public Works facility, to take

place this coming Saturday (November 24<sup>th</sup>). President Pope described this building as a Village asset and a beacon of sustainable design.

Trustee Pate referred to the upcoming three-day event on Harrison Street.

**ADJOURN**

It was moved by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Hedges, to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 P.M., Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

ADJOURN

SUBMITTED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF:

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Sandra Sokol, Village Clerk

By: Karen Morris Muriello  
Deputy Village Clerk