APPROVED MINUTES - SPECIAL BOARD MEETING PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2011 AT 6:30 P.M. IN ROOM 130 OF OAK PARK VILLAGE HALL

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Pope called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope ABSENT: Trustee Johnson

III. CONSIDERATION OF MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PROPERTY ACQUISITION, SALE OF PROPERTY, LABOR AND PERSONNEL

In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, it was moved and seconded to adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of property acquisition, sale of property, labor and personnel. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 6:35 P.M. Monday, September 12, 2011.

IV. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION IN ROOM 101

PRESENT: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope ABSENT: Trustee Johnson

The Special Meeting reconvened at 7:25 p.m. in Room 101.

V. AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda for the meeting. A voice vote was taken and the agenda was approved.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

All Ordinances and Resolutions adopted herein are herewith ordered filed in the Office of the Village Clerk

A. It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 2011-0-53 entitled ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE ASSIGNMENT AND PURCHASE OF 1133 WESTGATE be adopted.

President Pope stated that 1133 Westgate has been identified as a strategic parcel within the Greater Downtown Master Plan. The owner of that property approached the Village to discuss whether the Village was interested in controlling that parcel to advance the Greater Downtown Master Plan. The Village decided to engage in a discussion with the property owner regarding terms under which they might consider acquiring that parcel. The Village decided that this was something worth considering.

President Pope spoke about the Greater Downtown Master Plan and explained why the purchase of 1133 Westgate would be in the best interests of the Village.

Village Manager Tom Barwin stated that the purchase price would be \$965,000. He noted that Village Planner Craig Failor will be at the September 19 Board Meeting to discuss the Greater Downtown Plan and update the Board and the community on a variety of economic redevelopment possibilities in the Downtown Business District.

Trustee Salzman described the purchase as a sound strategic move in that particular area. He added that the discussion next week was an opportunity to reconsider the priorities of the Downtown Master Plan, as he questions applying a 2005 plan to a 2011 economy.

Trustee Tucker agreed and stated that as much as he does not like the idea of buying more property, controlling this parcel is important to the future of Downtown Oak Park. Mr. Barwin pointed out that this is the first property the Village has acquired in well over five years.

Trustee Lueck commented that it makes sense to update the Plan given the current economy, but the Board must be respectful of the very intense process that was involved in putting the original plan together; and the effort should be respected as any changes are considered.

The roll call on the vote was as follows: AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope NAYS: None ABSENT: Trustee Johnson The ordinance was adopted.

B. It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 2011-0-54 entitled ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET be adopted.

President Pope stated that this is required in order to move forward with the execution of the item previously adopted.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope NAYS: None ABSENT: Trustee Johnson The ordinance was adopted.

VIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LABOR, PERSONNEL AND SALE OF PROPERTY IN ROOM 130

In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, it was moved and seconded to adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of labor, personnel and the sale of property.

The roll call on the vote was as follows: AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope NAYS: None ABSENT: Trustee Johnson

The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:43 P.M. Monday, September 12, 2011.

SUBMITTED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF:

By: MaryAnn Schoenneman Interim Deputy Village Clerk Teresa Powell, Village Clerk