

**APPROVED MINUTES - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK
HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th, 2012 AT 6:30 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS 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, Johnson, Lueck and Tucker; President Pope
ABSENT: Trustee Salzman

**III. CONSIDERATION OF MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
TO DISCUSS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING IN ROOM 130**

In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, it was moved and seconded to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining in Room 130.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck and Tucker; President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Salzman

The motion was approved.

IV. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING 7:30 PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:35 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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 as presented.

VI. MINUTES

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 6, 2012 be approved. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as presented.

VII. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Stewart, 1187 S. Grove. Mr. Stewart urged the Board to consider installing designated bike lanes when repaving Jackson Boulevard.

VIII. PROCLAMATION – COMMEMORATING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF VAL'S HALLA RECORDS

President Pope read the proclamation aloud. It was moved and seconded that the proclamation entitled **COMMEMORATING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF VAL'S HALLA RECORDS** be adopted. A voice vote was taken and the proclamation was adopted.

IX. VILLAGE MANAGER REPORTS

A. Status Report from Staff Regarding Building Codes Advisory Commission's Review of Building Code Amendments & Timeline for Implementation

Interim Village Manager Cara Pavlicek stated that Director of Building and Property Standards Steve Witt has prepared an extensive report on the topic of amendments to the International Building Code. She added that the department will host an open house for their primary customers on September 11 and 13 to review these changes. Beginning in October, the Village Board will see a series of ordinance updates that are state-mandated codes that they cannot amend, even as a home rule entity. Later in October, the Board will also have more in-depth review of adopting codes with specific local exceptions. The goal is to have this completed in November for implementation in January 2013. Building Codes Advisory Commission Chair Jim Gilchrist clarified that these state mandated codes are the minimum code but can be amended by the Board in a stricter form.

X. VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEES

There were no reports from the Village Board Committees.

XI. CITIZEN COMMISSION VACANCIES

President Pope referred to the Board and Commission vacancy report, and urged residents to volunteer.

XII. CITIZEN COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS, REAPPOINTMENTS, REMOVAL, RESIGNATION AND CHAIR APPOINTMENTS

It was moved and seconded to concur in the following appointment by President Pope:

Community Relations Commission

Reappointment of Serena Brewer, as Member, with a term to expire September 6, 2013

A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. Trustee Brewer abstained.

XIII. FIRST READING**B. First Reading of Ordinance Amending Section 4-1-6 of the Village Code Entitled "Village Ambulance Services; Fees"**

Fire Chief Tom Ebsen stated that this is a proposal to increase fees charged by the Village for ambulance services. He explained the current fee structure and described the four billing categories. These fees have not changed since 2009. Prior to that, a more detailed billing system was in place. Currently, almost every municipal EMS provider charges a flat rate.

Chief Ebsen discussed two surveys regarding ambulance service fees in the Chicagoland area. Oak Park ranked in the middle of an extensive survey completed by the City of Naperville and very low on a smaller survey completed by the Northwest Municipal League. Raising the rates by \$100 would put the Village at the 66th percentile of the Naperville study and more towards the middle of the Northwest Municipal League study. Rising personnel costs as well as significant increases in the cost of acquiring new ambulances are factors that justify raising these rates.

Chief Ebsen answered questions from the Board.

XIV. REGULAR AGENDA

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

F. Recommendation From the Transportation Commission to Deny A Request from the Pleasant District Association Business Group to Remove the Right-Turn-Only Restrictions on Wisconsin Avenue at Washington Boulevard

James Kiel, 407 Wisconsin Ave. Mr. Kiel spoke in favor of the Transportation Commission's recommendation.

Kari McCarthy, 407 Wisconsin Ave., Unit C. Ms. McCarthy agreed that the right-turn-only restriction should be removed. She suggested a stop sign or stoplight be installed.

Mike Koperniak, Staff Liaison to the Transportation Commission, stated that after traffic data on this intersection, public testimony and staff input was presented to the commission, they ultimately recommended the following: Keep the right-turn-only restriction, enhance the pedestrian crossings through signs and pavement markings and have staff do an analysis to see if traffic signals are warranted at that intersection.

Business Services Manager Loretta Daly relayed comments from the Pleasant District Business Association. The Pleasant District lacks access from a main street. Also, at the Madison Street intersection, Marion Street is referred to as Wisconsin Avenue, with no indication or directional signage stating that Wisconsin becomes Marion further north. She added that the hotel and funeral home in that area draw from outside the community, which can be problematic for those unfamiliar with the area. The Pleasant District does not want to create unsafe conditions; they are just looking to increase access into the district.

Trustee Johnson asked for clarification regarding the State's involvement. Mr. Koperniak stated that because Washington Boulevard is an unmarked State of Illinois Highway, the State has to approve any changes regarding traffic on that street. The Village would have to request that the State install the signage or pavement markings, adding that the State also has the right to deny the request. However, the Village may remove the right-turn-only restriction on Wisconsin Avenue without State approval.

President Pope commented that with appropriate signage and/or installation of a traffic signal and the removal of the right-turn-only restriction, both objectives of increasing the flow into the main business district and pedestrian safety enhancement could be accomplished. Trustee Tucker stated that removal of the right-turn-only restriction would not reduce traffic collisions. Mr. Koperniak added that the safest alternative for pedestrians and traffic would be leaving the diverter in place.

It was moved and seconded to direct staff to work with the Illinois Department of Transportation to determine if the intersection meets MUTCD warrants for the installation of traffic signals and to explore and advance, as appropriate, enhanced pedestrian crosswalk signage, including any pavement stops or pedestrian and crosswalk signs.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck and Tucker; President Pope

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Salzman

The motion was approved.

XV. CONSENT AGENDA

- D. Ordinance 2012-0-45 entitled **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS VEHICLES ON AN "AS IS" BASIS**
- E. Ordinance 2012-0-46 entitled **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS BICYCLES ON AN "AS IS" BASIS**
- G. Resolution 2012-R-185 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH MWH FOR COMBINED SEWER SYSTEM MAPPING AND MODELING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$249,685**

- H. Resolution 2012-R-186 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN BUILDING RESOURCES OF WHEELING, ILLINOIS FOR TUCK POINTING AT THE CENTRAL PUMP STATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000**
- I. Resolution 2012-R-187 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE OF \$50,000 TO THE CONTRACT WITH A&B LANDSCAPING AND TREE SERVICE OF RIVERSIDE, ILLINOIS FOR 2012 TREE REMOVAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$175,000**
- J. Resolution 2012-R-188 entitled **RESOLUTION AWARING A SMALL RENTAL PROPERTIES REHABILITATION LOAN SRP-018**
- K. Resolution 2012-R-189 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REHABILITATION LOAN AND A LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION GRANT: SFR-048**
- L. Resolution 2012-R-190 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BARRIE PARK INVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANT AND LOAN: BPIP-098**
- L1. Ordinance 2012-O-47 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2012 BUDGET CHANGING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000**
- M. Resolution 2012-R-191 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK TO ENTER INTO A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OAK PARK POLICE LIEUTENANTS AND SERGEANTS ASSOCIATION CONCERNING TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR POLICE SERGEANTS FOR A TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013**
- N1. Resolution 2012-R-192 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NEAL & LEROY, LLC FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD**
- N2. Resolution 2012-R-193 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH KLEIN, THORPE & JENKINS, LTD., FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD**
- N3. Resolution 2012-R-194 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH JUDGE, JAMES & KUJAWA, LLC FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD**
- N4. Resolution 2012-R-195 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ODELSON STERK, LTD FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD**
- N5. Resolution 2012-R-196 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MILLER CANFIELD, PADDOCK AND STONE, P.L.C., FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD**

- N6. Resolution 2012-R-197 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NYHAN, BAMBRICK, KINZIE & LOWRY, P.C., FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD**
- N7. Resolution 2012-R-198 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HOLLAND & KNIGHT FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD**
- O. Resolution 2012-R-199 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LOCAL AGENCY AGREEMENT FOR FEDERAL PARTICIPATION THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PROJECT**
- Q. Ordinance 2012-O-48 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2012 O 36 (AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO OPERATE A WEIGHT LOSS CENTER AT 477 N. HARLEM)**
- R. Ordinance 2012-O-49 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 8 OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK – CREATION OF A SPECIAL EVENTS CLASS E-1 LIQUOR LICENSE FOR GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH, 611 RANDOLPH, OAK PARK, IL 60302**
- S. **Motion to Approve the Bills in the Amount of \$1,745,006.51 for the week beginning August 6, 2012 through August 31, 2012.**

APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved and seconded to approve the items under the Consent Agenda.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck and Tucker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Salzman

President Pope abstained.

The Consent Agenda was approved.

CALL TO THE BOARD AND CLERK

Village Clerk Powell spoke about her trip to Spain. She also discussed the delay in BASSET training required by Village ordinance. In closing, she reminded the Board that any changes to the ordinance regarding elected officials' compensation for the next four years needed to be completed by October 1.

Trustee Tucker discussed the Board Outreach at the Farmers Market.

Trustee Brewer referred to Wisconsin Avenue/Marion Street and asked why the Village has maintained two names for that street.

Trustee Johnson spoke about his attendance at a town hall meeting on violence in Chicago hosted by State Representative La Shawn Ford.

Trustee Lueck discussed several anti-violence organizations in the area. She spoke about the sewer grant program, noting that the fund was depleted quickly this year and to keep that in mind while creating the 2013 budget. The Advisory Committee for the

Comprehensive Plan has had its first meeting and Trustee Lueck asked for input regarding groups that needed to be reached out to. She spoke about a workshop she attended where the concept of a community-wide budget was discussed. In closing, Trustee Lueck urged residents to water their parkway trees, as this summer has been hard on the trees.

Trustee Hedges asked that topics for the Reinventing Government Committee be submitted. He also enjoyed the Board Outreach at the Farmers Market.

President Pope spoke about his attendance at the COG meeting this morning and their discussion about public safety. He expressed appreciation to District 200 for their decision to institute a partially closed campus. President Pope encouraged all to try the new restaurant on Lake Street, Falafel.

ADJOURN

It was moved and seconded to adjourn. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:42 P.M. Tuesday, September 4, 2012.

SUBMITTED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF:

Teresa Powell, Village Clerk

By: MaryAnn Schoenneman
Interim Deputy Village Clerk