# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW VILLAGE HALL – BOARD MEETING ROOM October 11, 2022

# **BOARD MEETING:**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular board meeting of the Village of Forest View was called to order by Village President at 7:00 P.M.

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Ramirez, Nevarez, Liska

4. APPROVE OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – September 27, 2022

**Action Requested:** Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Ramirez Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Ramirez, Sudkamp, Liska, Grossi, Nevarez,

No: NA

Abstain: Trustee Hubacek

Motion Carried.

## 5. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES:

**Tabled until next meeting-** Reports were not available.

6. Reports of Revenues as of September 30, 2022:

**Tabled until next meeting -** Information was not available.

#### 7. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

**Agenda Item #1** Memo from Administrator Dropka to discuss the proposal to start housing our prisoners on December 1, 2022. Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Berwyn and the Village of Forest View for prisoner housing and lock-up services as discussed in

previous meetings. This agreement is good for three years, costing the village \$125.00 per prisoner who is housed at the City of Berwyn.

**Action Requested:** Motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Berwyn and the Village of Forest View for prisoner housing and lock-up services.

Motion: Trustee Ramirez Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Ramirez, Sudkamp, Nevarez, Liska, Grossi, Hubacek

No: NA Motion Carried.

**Agenda Item #2** Memo from Administrator Dropka regarding the one (1) bid received for the 2022 MFT street improvement Project for Home and Grove Avenues that was \$84,000 higher than the engineer's estimate than what had been budgeted.

**Action Requested:** Motion for the board vote to throw out the bid and rebid the project after the first of the new year and include two more streets into the project.

Motion: Trustee Ramirez Second: Trustee Liska

Yes: Trustees Ramirez, Liska, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Nevarez

No: NA Motion Carried.

**Agenda #3** Memo from Administrator Dropka to discuss home inspections being completed before the sale of the property to ensure that the physical condition of the property is on par with what the property appears to be and that any outdated or out-of-code issues are/will be taken care of. He is requesting the board approve amending amend Title IV of the Forest View Village Code Ordinance No. 22-28 to create a new chapter," Inspection of Residential Real Property".

✓ Discussion ensued with the board regarding why we would require a home inspection when the home goes through an inspection with the mortgage company. The village inspection will include a checklist looking, for example, life and fire safety issues, proper electrical panels, covers on junction boxes, illegal apartments, etc.

**Action Requested:** Motion for the board to approve amending Title IV of the Forest View Village Code Ordinance No. 22-28 to create a new chapter," Inspection of Residential Real Property".

Motion: Trustee Liska Second: Trustee Nevarez Yes: Trustees Liska, Nevarez, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Ramirez

No: NA Motion Carried.

**Agenda Item # 4** Memo from Chief Stelter regarding the surplus of various firearms that were assigned to his police department and have been out of service for many years. He is requesting the board approve Ordinance No. 22-27 authorizing the sale or disposal of certain surplus personal property. If approved, the firearms will be either destroyed, sold, or traded in for new weapons for his department.

**Action Requested:** Motion for the board to approve Ordinance No. 22-27 authorizing the sale or disposal of certain surplus personal property.

Motion: Trustee Ramirez Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Ramirez, Sudkamp, Grossi, Hubacek, Nevarez, Liska

No: NA Motion Carried.

**Agenda Item #5** Memo from Chief Stelter to discuss bringing the Quicket Solutions Incorporated system onboard and the Statement of Work that the village will need to sign. This system allows police departments to issue citations and complete crash reports electronically and forward all pertinent information to the Circuit Clerk's Office, Circuit Courts, and the Illinois Department of Transportations (IDOT) at the budgeted amount of \$17,500.00.

**Action Requested:** Motion for the board to approve bringing Quicket to the Police Department and the Statement of Work to be signed by the Village.

Motion: Trustee Liska Second: Trustee Hubacek

Yes: Trustees Liska, Hubacek, Grossi, Ramirez, Nevarez

No: Trustee Sudkamp

Motion Carried.

#### 8. APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS:

## A. Residential Building Permit Applications:

NF 22-43 Elizabeth Shoup, 4601 Clinton Ave. Install a new 6' vinyl fence.

NF 22-44 Randy Boyd, 4512 Kenilworth Ave. Relocate the service riser pipe across the

back of the house to clear the back deck and install new riser feed wires and a

new eye plate.

NF 22-45 Ron and Cathy Getz, 4602 Maple Ave. Remodel bathroom.

- NF 22-46 Hubaldo Uribe, 4601 Grove Ave. Replacing the sliding door in the back of the house.
- NF 22-47 Julio Laureano, 4623 Maple Ave. Repair a broken piece of the soffit.
- NF 22-48 Karina Santoyo & Jose Manuel Anturez, 4500 Wisconsin Ave. Install gutters on the home and garage.
- NF 22-49 Ranee Sudkamp, 4526 Clinton Ave. Tear off the roof and install new shingles on the house and garage.
- NF 22-50 Jose (Tony) Cossio, 4521 Wisconsin Ave. Replace the roof deck patio.
- F 22-44 Gina Nutting, 4515 Wenonah Ave. Install solar panels on the house.
  - ✓ Discussions ensued with several Trustee and Building Commissioner Brniak inquiring if permits had been issued for a few residents on Clinton, Kenilworth, and Wisconsin. He was told that a permit was issued on Clinton, the resident on Kenilworth moved and that there is one resident on Clinton who is in the process of submitting plans to build a front stoop on Clinton.
  - ✓ Trustees questioned why the truck on 46<sup>th</sup> and Wisconsin is still blocking the sidewalk. Superintendent Filec and Administrator Dropka will be discussing with the resident a plan to resolve this issue.
  - ✓ Resident inquired about a resident that is living in a trailer in the backyard.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

## A.) Reports from Department Heads

## **Village Administrator Dropka reported:**

- Mentioned that he continues along with Chief Stelter to meet with Conduent who will be installing the red-light cameras at 47<sup>th</sup> and Central Ave to ensure they meet deadlines and that the project continues on a proper timeline.
- Announced that the switchover to Cicero dispatch will take place on December 5, 2022. Vendors have been meeting with our chiefs regularly in Cicero and getting to know what needs to be implemented. They will be meeting with Cicero tomorrow after their IGA draft is sent over. He is hoping to have the final version for the board at the next meeting.
- Reported that the project on 47<sup>th</sup> and Central regarding the village taking over the sanitary and sewer system is ongoing and waiting for the 47<sup>th</sup> Street Business Association to provide him with the atlas of the system.
- Current Technologies and Mercury Technologies continue to perform different tasks to address different issues and deficiencies without systems.
- The Army Corps of Engineers is scheduling an inspection of the completed portion of the Forest View Levee (north of 47<sup>th</sup> street) in the next few weeks and is looking forward to meeting face-to-face with the to talk with them more about completing the overall levee project.
- ✓ Discussion ensued regarding the Levee and Army Corps of Engineers. Administrator Dropka stated that he has been in contact with the Army Corp and was told that they thought that the project was finished. Administrator Dropka stated that he walked the levee with the Engineer and they both agreed that it is not done and they are working on the

- project. MWRD, Army Engineers, and Administrator Dropka will be meeting to walk the levee together. Trustee Liska requested that he would like to attend this meeting.
- Oktoberfest went well. He reported that there were 404 people that attended Oktoberfest this year which included 77 who showed up but did not RSVP. We had 102 people who RSVP but did not attend. There were 27 Bingo players, and more than 16 people were picked up by a golf cart. There were 7 vendors and received 9 sponsorships amounting to \$2,950. There was plenty of food with some leftovers. He wanted to thank everyone for pitching in and putting everything together. We had a closeout meeting earlier this evening.
- Signup for the Halloween House Decorating contest began on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Last year, we had 9 households sign up for the competition and awarded prizes to the top three houses. The flyer is in the village hall. At the time of this meeting, we have three houses signed up for the contest.
- Asked everyone to please mark their calendars for our annual Veterans Day program. We will have a short ceremony outside in front of the flag pole. The program will start at 11:00 am on November 11<sup>th</sup> and will include a flag raising, the playing of anthems, a few speeches, a salute to departed veterans, and the playing of TAPS. This will be followed by refreshments inside.

# **Superintendent Public Works Filec reported:**

- On Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> Ricco Construction came out to fix a water main break on Canal Bank Road.
- Started working on Phase 1 of the sewer project on the 45<sup>th</sup> and Wenonah Avenue and 45<sup>th</sup> and Grove Avenue blocks.
- Currently working with Homer Tree Service to begin the deforestation by the Apex property.
- Illinois Pump has been out to start repairs.
- Comcast has started installing cameras and internet at the pumphouse which will include live feed that will relay back to the Police Department for security purposes.
- Discussion ensued: Trustee Sudkamp received several complaints from residents regarding the tree cuttings in the village. Superintendent Filec stated that over the years the trees were pruned improperly and that there were a lot of branches that were dead on the inside. The trees are being cut at a certain point to shape them.

## **Chief of Police Stelter reported:**

- He has begun the process of our contract negotiations to promote two officers to the rank of Corporal for the midnight shift by January 1. As their supervisor, he sent out emails to anyone interested in the position. He said that the process will be somewhat formal with an interview process. He is getting a couple of Chiefs from an outside agency with no connections with Forest View to come in and interview the potential candidates which will eliminate favoritism, and other issues and be fair and competitive.
- Trustee Ramirez asked if performance will be considered. Chief stated performance and experience would be a factor to be in this position.

## Fire Chief Jones reported:

- Reported the equipment has been brought in for the gym upstairs and the treadmill should be delivered next week.
- Reminded everyone that the Fire Department Open house will be on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00 pm to 5 pm and will be putting the signs up and sending out an email blast.
- His team will be performing emergency drills at Kinder Morgan on October 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 am.

# **B.) Reports from Village Board Trustees:**

None

## C.) Reports from Village President:

• Mentioned she spoke with a resident who inquired about where she could purchase welcome home signs because her son was returning from boot camp. She told the resident that the village has signs that she could borrow the signs but could not purchase because we will continue to use them over the years.

## 9. QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

• A resident on Wisconsin Ave. asked if the village could send out something to the residents on her block to let them know when her neighbor's son will be coming home so that they could give him a welcome home ceremony. President Miller stated that she would look into this.

# 10. PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

• A resident stated that last week on garbage day there were branches on top of a neighbor's compost that was dumped out on the parkway and not picked up. She mentioned that they were not cut up. Superintendent Filec stated that tomorrow he would have Public Works stop by and pick them up.

## 11. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Trustee Grossi Second: Trustee Sudkamp

#### 12. ADJOURNMENT

To adjourn at 8:08 P.M.

VOICE VOTE: AYES: ALL NAYS: NONE Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura D. McGuffey Village Clerk