

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
December 10, 2024**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Miller led the Board Trustees and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

The Roll Call of Board Trustees by Clerk McGuffey is as follows:

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

4. PRESENTATION-CENTENNIAL RESOLUTION:

Cook County Board Commissioner Frank Aguilar read a resolution honoring the Village of Forest View 100th Year Anniversary and presented the resolution to the Village Board and pictures were taken.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

That the minutes of the regular board meeting of November 26, 2024 to be approved as read:

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Nevarez, Liska
No: NA
Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES

To approve the village payroll and accounts payable expenditures December 1 – Dec 15, 2024:

Payroll- FT /PT/Officials	\$	103,151.77
Bills Payable	\$	<u>101,269.11</u>
Manual Check (ICRMT)	\$	<u>63,862.00</u>
Total Expenditures:	\$	268,282.88

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
 Second: Trustee Hubacek

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Hubacek, Nevarez, Liska, Grossi
 No: NA
 Motion Carried.

7. REPORTS OF REVENUES AS OF November 30, 2024:

Cash Receipts:	\$	402,550.58
Sales Tax:	\$	72,708.99
Home Rule Sales Tax:	\$	41,589.42
Local Gas Tax:	\$	46,442.24
Interest:	\$	<u>12,696.08</u>
Total Revenue:	\$	575,987.31

Action Requested: None, information only.

8. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Item # 1 Memo from Village Administrator John DuRocher regarding an application requested by owner Baldemar Chavez of Chicago Liquors for a new Business License / Liquor License /and Gaming License at 5219 W. 47th St.

Action Requested: Motion to approve Business License / Liquor License /and Gaming License at 5219 W. 47th St to Baldemar Chavez of Chicago Liquors.

Board told the business owner to come back in six months by general consensus.

Tabled .

Agenda Item # 2 Memo from Village Administrator John DuRocher requesting the board approve Ordinance No. 24-17, Amending Section 1-4-1 of the Forest View Municipal Code regarding repeat violators of our property maintenance/code of ordinances.

Action Requested: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 24-17, Amending Section 1-4-1 of the Forest View Municipal Code

regarding repeat violators of our property maintenance/Code of Ordinances.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

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

No: NA

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 3 Memo from Village Administrator John DuRocher to discuss our options on a proposal received from IDOT to remove the traffic light on Harlem Ave and Forest View Terminal Drive.

Administrator DuRocher stated that the village is receiving requests from the property owners/tenants of the area seeking to retain the traffic light which they believe is crucial to their business operations. The annual property taxes to the Village for all taxed properties in this area are approximately \$204,000. IDOT estimated the cost to replace the light would be \$387,090 which would be a burden on the village and was asking for direction from the board. He met with the business today and stated that the Council of Mayors suggested that we should have someone else pay for the light. One option would be to set up a special financing scenario where the property owners/ tenants could reimburse the Village for all costs associated with the project including future maintenance. Discussion ensued and the board John to for a company to do an independent survey and also have the chiefs provide stats.

Action Requested: None, discussion only.

Agenda Item # 4 Memo from Village Administrator John DuRocher to provide an update on our annual audit and discuss requesting proposals from other municipal auditing firms.

Discussion ensued that our current auditor from Seldon Fox auditor had not release the annual audit for this meeting. The board agreed that John should issue a request for proposals from other municipal firms, and he will bring them to the board in February to select an auditor.

Action Requested: None, discussion only.

Agenda Item # 5 Memo from Village Administrator John DuRocher to provide a response from Attorney Murphey regarding a question brought up at our November Special meeting by Trustee Liska regarding elected officials and their attendance.

Discussion ensued and it was noted that there is nothing in the current Village Code Addressing the general issue of "attendance" at a Village Board Meeting.

Action Requested: None, discussion only.

Agenda Item # 6 Memo from Village Administrator John DuRocher to discuss with the board his mid-year review of the budget.

Administrator DuRocher stated that revenues are tracking as they should in all major revenue areas and explained that most track on a monthly basis except for property taxes and sales taxes. Cook County property taxes are basically twice a year. Sales taxes are tracking as they should. Expenses in total and by department are tracking as they should. There may be an individual line item where an expense is over, but these are uncommon and are balanced by underspending with the department. Many of the reimbursement areas have expenses much larger than budgeted which will be offset by future reimbursement revenues.

Action Requested: None, discussion only.

Agenda Item # 7 Memo from Village Administrator John DuRocher to discuss the formal petition that was filed in November for annexation from Combined Warehouse at 5000 S. Central and will highlight the application and draft of the annexation agreement.

Administrator DuRocher stated that he is working with Village Attorney Murphey on all the details that need to be addressed and that there will be a public hearing in January.

Action Requested: None, discussion only.

Agenda Item # 8 Police Chief Zarate request the board approve the hiring of three (3) certified full time officers to join the Forest View Police Department.

Action Requested: Motion to approve hiring Officer Jessica Sokolovic, Officer Dominique Dickerson, and Officer Jamie Annen as certified full-time officers to join the Forest View Police Department.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

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

No: NA

Motion Carried.

10. APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL BUILDING PERMITS:

Agenda Item # 9 - F24-26 Fed Ex, 4800 South Central Ave. Furnish and install (1) quad receptacle.

Action Requested: Motion to approve commercial building permit # F24-26 to Fed Ex, 4800 South Central Ave. Furnish and install (1) quad receptacle.

Motion: Trustee Liska
Second: Trustee Grossi

Yes: Trustees Liska, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Nevarez
No: NA
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 10 - F24-27 Prime Master Xpress, 6800 Canal Bank Dr. Install 6 ft high Chain Link Fence and two (2) double drive gates.

Action Requested: Motion to approve commercial building permit # F24-27 to Prime Master Xpress, 6800 Canal Bank Dr. Install 6 ft high Chain Link Fence and two (2) double drive gates.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Nevarez, Liska
No: NA
Motion Carried.

Action requested: None, informational only.

11. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

- Village Administrator DuRocher mentioned that the contract for the 46th Street project with IDOT has been awarded to K5.

A) REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

Superintendent of Water and Public Works Miller stated that there was water on Forest View Terminal Drive, and they will be inspected next week.

Police Chief Zarate reported:

- Reported on the Police Department Activity report for the month of November 2024.
- They issued 57 Traffic State Citations, 89 Parking /Ordinance Tickets, 12 Accident Reports (Crash), for a Total of 138 Service Calls. There were 11 arrests, 0 misdemeanors, and 1 Felonies. Monies generated by the Police Department Total Paid Parking/Ordinance Tickets \$ 1,750.00, 8 Tow Seizures at \$ 6,000.00, Truck Enforcement \$ 0.00, total combined \$7,750.00.

Fire Chief Jones reported:

- Reported on the Fire Department Activity report for the month of November 2024. They received a total of 54 calls that included 22 EMS calls, 15 Fire calls, 15 motor vehicle

accidents, and 2 Fire other calls for invalid assists / stand by-fill ins. The Fire Department did 1 fire station tours and completed 540 hours of training.

B) REPORTS FROM CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

No reports

C.) REPORTS FROM VILLAGE TRUSTEES

- Trustee Liska asked the Chief for an update on Terminal Drive. Chief stated that EPA surveyed the land, and he is waiting for a report from County.
- Trustee Grossi asked about truck enforcement. The officer was on vacation.
- Trustee Hubacek wants a camera that will cover the entire village office.
- Trustee Grossi and Superintendent Miller discussed the lights that are in the back of the park. Tanner stated that Pinner Electric stated that they will not be able to come out until Spring. The park would like to put another light in the corner and replace lights. Tanner will provide information to give to the Park District so they can decide.

D.) REPORTS FROM THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT

- Commented that today was officially our 100th year anniversary.

12. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No reports,

18. MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion: Trustee Hubacek
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

14. ROLL CALL

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

20. ADJOURNMENT:

To adjourn at 8:26 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura D. McGuffey
Village Clerk