

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
VILLAGE HALL – TRECKLER ROOM
August 25, 2020**

PUBLIC HEARING:

There was a public hearing beginning at 7:00 P.M. providing information and allowing for public comment to consider a Zoning Variation request to allow a backyard, side lot line fence to extend in a front yard direction past the rear original building line of the principal residential structure to the front building line at 4603 S. Wenonah Avenue, Forest View, Illinois. (Agenda Item #1)

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Public Hearing for the Village of Forest View was called to order by Village President Powell at 7:00 P.M.

2. PRESENTATION:

Village Administrator Masciola spoke regarding a permit to replace the fence at 4603 S. Wenonah Avenue. Due to restrictions in the code regarding the south side of the property, the resident can't extend his fence without a variation. We are here to discuss the variation, allowing his fence to extend to the front building line. Questions and discussion ensued regarding the replacement of the existing fence with a six-foot vinyl fence. A neighbor will also be replacing her fence, but does not require a variation. A notice of the Public Hearing appeared in the newspaper on August 9, 2020. The adjoining residents were notified of the Zoning Variation request via certified mail.

3. QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

There were no comments or questions from the audience.

4. ADJOURNMENT:

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:04 P.M.

BOARD MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular board meeting of the Village of Forest View was called to order by Village President Powell at 7:05 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Miller, Stimach, Kirchgatterer
Absent: None

4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

That the minutes of the regular board meeting of August 18, 2020 be approved as read:

Motion: Trustee Kirchgatterer
Second: Trustee Grossi

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Hubacek, Miller, Stimach, Kirchgatterer, Grossi
No: None
Motion Carried.

5. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS CHECK REGISTER:

- A. To approve the check register from the payroll of the August 18, 2020 board meeting in the amount of \$ 94,436.52.

Check # 30482-30488
Voided: None

- B. To approve the check register from the accounts payable of the August 18, 2020 board meeting in the amount of \$ 30,200.45.

Check # 30489-30522
Voided: None

Action Requested: Motion to approve

Motion: Trustee Miller
Second: Trustee Stimach

Yes: Trustees Hubacek, Miller, Stimach, Kirchgatterer, Grossi, Sudkamp
No: None
Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES:

- A. To approve the village payroll in the gross amount of \$ 88,717.60. This payroll covers the period from August 16-31, 2020 for regular full-time employees. Also covered is the Officials payroll from August 1-31, 2020 and the part-time payroll from August 1-15, 2020.
- B. To approve the accounts payable as listed in the amount of \$ 98,376.17.
- C. Total Expenditures: \$ 187,093.77

Action Requested: Motion to approve

Motion: Trustee Kirchgatterer
Second: Trustee Miller

Yes: Trustees Miller, Stimach, Kirchgatterer, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek
No: None
Motion Carried.

7. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Item # 1 – Letter from Village Administrator, Mark C. Masciola, regarding a Zoning Variation request to allow a backyard, side lot line fence to extend in a front yard direction past the rear original building line of the principal residential structure to the front building line at 4603 S. Wenonah Avenue.

Action Requested: Direction as to the approval or disapproval of the Zoning Variation request.

To approve Agenda Item # 1
Motion: Trustee Kirchgatterer
Second: Trustee Stimach

Yes: Trustees Stimach, Kirchgatterer, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Miller
No: None
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 2 – Letter from Village Administrator, Mark C. Masciola, regarding the approval of Ordinance 20-07 amending Section 1-5-8 of the Forest View Code to provide salary increases for Non-FOP employees.

Action Requested: Motion to approve Ordinance 20-07.

Village Administrator Masciola spoke regarding the Non-FOP Employee Salary Ordinance. The Ordinance includes a 2.5% salary increase for most positions, with the exception of the salaries of the Police Chief, Fire Chief and Village Administrator. The salary for the position of Deputy Police Chief was eliminated. The full-time employee contribution toward the cost of the Health, Dental and Vision Insurance Plans was increased from 15% to 17.5%.

To approve Agenda Item # 2

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp

Second: Trustee Hubacek

A Trustee spoke regarding the reduction in pay for the Fire Chief and Police Chief. She stated that this is totally abhorrent during a time we are calling on our civil service more than ever. She stated there is money in the budget and this was a personal vendetta.

Yes: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Miller

No: Trustees Kirchgatterer, Stimach

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 3 – Letter from Superintendent of Public Works and Water, Jack O’ Donohue, requesting authorization to remove six (6) parkway trees, trim five (5) parkway trees and nine (9) stump removals at various locations throughout the Village.

Action Requested: Motion to approve the removal of six (6) parkway trees, trim five (5) parkway trees and nine (9) stump removals by Bluders Tree Service & Landscaping Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$7,100.00 and authorize the Superintendent of Public Works and Water to sign the proposal document.

Superintendent Water & Public Works O’Donohue spoke regarding the storm coming through and damaging many trees. He explained the need to remove six parkway trees, trim five and remove nine stumps.

To approve Agenda Item # 3

Motion: Trustee Grossi

Second: Trustee Miller

Yes: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Miller, Stimach, Kirchgatterer

No: None

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 4 – Letter from Chief of Police, Gary Wiseman Jr., requesting the promotion of Ahmad Collins from a Part-Time Police Officer to a Full-Time Police Officer to the Forest View Police Department.

Action Requested: Direction.

Police Chief Wiseman spoke regarding the request to promote Ahmad Collins from a Part-Time Police Officer to a Full-Time Police Officer. Chief Wiseman stated that Officer Collins has worked dispatch and is a good Police Officer. The majority of Officers signed a letter stating that they are in favor of Officer Collins being promoted to full-time. Discussion ensued regarding the part-time and full-time Police Officers, scheduling, promotions and background checks.

To approve Agenda Item # 4

Motion: Trustee Kirchgatterer

Second: Trustee Stimach

Yes: Trustees Kirchgatterer, Stimach

No: Trustees Sudkamp, Hubacek, Miller, Grossi

Motion Failed.

8. APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS:

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| NF20-30 | Primitivo & Flora Salto, 4515 S. Grove Avenue, Replace Garage. |
| F20-29 | Christina Medina, 4613 S. Grove Avenue, New Irrigation System. |
| F20-30 | SSS Real Estate Management LLC, Mohammed N. Yaqoob, 4609-4615 S. Harlem Avenue, Demolition of Two-Story Building and Shed. |
| F20-31 | Alex Garanda, 4540 S. Wisconsin Avenue, Replace Five Windows, Remove Pergola Framing, New Drywall in Basement and New Bifold Doors. |

Action Requested: None, informational only.

9. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

A.) Reports from Department Heads

1. Village Administrator Mark Masciola
 - Demolition of the two-story building and shed at 4609 & 4615 Harlem has started and the majority of the demolition has already been completed.
 - Plans have been submitted for the redevelopment of 4609 & 4615 Harlem. The plans have been forwarded to FSCI for review.
 - We are reviewing a potential Grant Application from Cook County under the Corona Virus Relief Funds Act. The Village potentially could be eligible for funds in an amount of \$ 115,000 dollars under the Cares Act Funding. We will need to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Cook County and file a notice of intent by September 30, 2020 to apply for this potential Grant Reimbursement.

2. Superintendent Water & Public Works Jack O'Donohue
 - No news to report at this time.

3. Police Chief Gary Wiseman Jr.
 - Provided Police Reports for August 11-August 24, 2020.
 4. Fire Chief Tom Heller
 - No report at this time.
- B.) Reports from Village Trustees**
No reports at this time.
- C.) Report from the Village President**
No reports at this time.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT OR QUESTIONS:

Residents discussed the overnight parties, street parking overnight, the noise and what options they have. Village President Powell and Police Chief Wiseman instructed the residents to call the police and all parties need to be shut down by 11:00 p.m.

Residents spoke regarding the dirt bikes riding through the Village streets and in driveways. The owner of the Tool Store has been notified of this issue. President Powell stated that if this continues, his Business License will be in danger of being pulled.

A resident wanted to thank our Police and Fire Departments for keeping our Village safe.

A citizen residing at 47th Street and Laramie spoke regarding the business located at 5203 West 47th Street. He has witnessed private parties, drug deals, rough clientele, garbage thrown on the lawns and alleys, and vehicles driving the wrong way down the one-way street. He has also notified the Cook County Sheriff and is requesting a Do Not Enter sign to be placed on the Forest View side of the one-way street. Police Chief Wiseman stated that he has spoken to the business owner and explained that his license can be pulled. Village President Powell stated that the Business License and Liquor License can be pulled if this continues.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

To adjourn at 7:33 P.M.

Motion: Grossi
Second: Miller

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

Respectfully submitted,

Joy M. Conklin
Village Clerk