

Minutes of a **REGULAR MEETING** of the
PRESIDENT and BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Village of Evergreen Park, Cook County, IL
Monday May 18, 2020

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor Sexton in The second floor Council Chambers of the Village Hall.

ROLL CALL Village Clerk Aparo was asked to call the roll with the following results:

Physically Present:

Mayor James Sexton
Trustee Mark Marzullo
Trustees James McQuillan
Trustee Norman Anderson
Trustee Mark Phelan

Village Attorney Vincent Cainkar and Village Treasurer John Sawyers were also present.

Trustee Burke and Trustee Kyle were requested not to attend due to the Executive Order of Gov. Pritzker limiting the amount of people legally permitted to gather to (10) ten. There is still a stay at home order for the entire State of Illinois. There were no audience members.

Comments were welcomed on the published agenda with any thoughts/questions or comments to be sent to the Clerk at caparo@evpkaadm.org by 6:00 p.m. tonight to be read at the public meeting. Clerk Aparo stated she had not received any questions to be read in the open public portion of this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Marzullo.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

The Chair made the following announcements:

1. The Chair reminded everyone we are still under Executive Order from the Governor and have limited the Board to (4) four Trustees. The next meeting will be June 15, 2020 and follow this format if needed.
2. Thanks to the volunteers from the Village Pantry. Special thanks to Trustee Phelan and Kyle for their efforts at the pantry and to all the volunteers. Trustee Phelan thanked all the young volunteers especially Kelly Burke's daughter and her friends.

Without their assistance it would be extremely difficult to fill the needs of the 130 families using the Pantry weekly.

3. The Chair read a portion of a letter from the residents of 9300 block of Utica thanking all Village employees who continue to serve the community. Special thanks to EP Police/ Fire Departments serving at great personal risk to themselves during this pandemic.
4. Commendations to EP Police Officer Phillips for outstanding performance of duty. While investigating a vehicle a 9 mm Glock pistol and (18) eighteen rounds of ammunition were seized along with drug paraphernalia.
5. The US Attorney's and the DEA recognized the efforts of the EPPD for their work in dismantling a US to Mexico pot drug supply line.
6. Trustee Anderson reminded everyone during this pandemic there are more pedestrians and he asked everyone to slow down on side streets and to stop at the stop signs.
7. The Chair stated there was a record breaking eight (8) inches of rain yesterday and many people had water problems in their homes. He reminded everyone that the overhead sewer program is still available with the Village paying a portion of the cost up to \$3,500.00

**OPEN PUBLIC
AUDIENCE**

There were no audience members and the meeting was audio taped and digitally recorded for audio playback on the Village website. Everyone sat at least 6 feet away from each other and followed social distancing protocols. This meeting will be recorded digitally and placed on the website tomorrow morning.

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**REGULAR
AGENDA
MINUTES**

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Anderson to waive the reading of the minutes of the April 6, 2020 Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees as presented was passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

**RESOLUTION
NO. 12-2020 &
NO. 13. 2020**

Motion by Trustee McQuillan second by Trustee Marzullo, to approve **Resolution NO. 12-2020 & Resolution NO. 13-2020.** **Resolution NO. 12-2020** with \$ 348,564.10 in the General

Corporate Fund, \$ 115,058.55 in the Water Management Fund, The 95th Street TIF Fund, \$ 1,915.00 and the Capital Improvement Fund, \$ 3,191.00 and the Self Insurance Fund, \$ 1,681.75 for a total of \$ \$ 469,410.40. **Resolution NO. 13-2020**, \$ 576,841.06 in the General Corp. Fund, \$ 59,591.62 in the Water Management Fund, and \$23,000.00 in the Street Bond Fund, for a total of \$ 659,432.68. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees, Marzullo, McQuillan, Anderson and Phelan; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

WATER COLLECTOR REPORT

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Anderson to approve the Water Collector's report for March/April 2020 in the amount of \$ 723,338.13 for March and April \$ 662,274.63 in the Sewer and Water Fund. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

VILLAGE COLLECTOR REPORT

Motion by Trustee Marzullo second by Trustee McQuillan to approve the Village Collector's Report for March in the amount of \$ 5,065,868.90 and \$ 1,689,178.49 for April 2020. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

VILLAGE TREASURER REPORT

Motion by Trustee Kyle second by Trustee Marzullo to approve the Village Treasurer's report for March 2020 in the amount of \$7,937,500.22 in the General Fund and \$ 4,274,743.81 in the Sewer and Water Fund; April 2020 report of \$7,432,071.49 in the General Fund and \$ 4,529,692.80 in the Sewer and Water Fund. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

BUSINESS CERTIFICATES

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Anderson to approve the business license application for **SEASIDE LEARNING CENTER** to conduct a limited private tutoring office located at 3545 W. 99th Street, Unit E. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees McQuillan, Anderson, Phelan and Marzullo; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

APPOINTMENTS 2020-2021

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee McQuillan to approve the 2020-2021 one year appointments to the Boards and Commissions as recommended by the Mayor and to approve Special Police Officers and Auxiliary Police Officers as recommended by Police Chief Saunders. Clerk Aparo read the list of appointments. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Anderson,

Phelan, Marzullo and McQuillan; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**ORDINANCE
NO. 5-2020**

Motion by Trustee McQuillan second by Trustee Marzullo to approve **ORDINANCE NO. 5-2020**, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF EVERGREEN PARK APPROVING A REAL ESTATE CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 9340 SOUTH KEDZIE AVENUE, EVERGREEN PARK, ILLINOIS." The Chair noted this is the old Bell Cabinet property and it will be purchased with TIF Funds. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Phelan, Marzullo, McQuillan and Anderson; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

LCM UPDATE

The Chair noted he has been in constant contact with Dr. Hanlon of OSF LCM. Last week the Village and the EP Police and EP Fire did a drive by to celebrate Nurse's Day and the excellent work they have been doing under these extreme circumstances. The Chair noted the merger of LCM and OSF has allowed the hospital to increase staff and beds to assist the nurses during this unprecedented time. A big thank you to all those who are working so hard during this pandemic.

**BUDGET
DISCUSSION**

The Chair introduced Treasurer John Sawyers to give updated information on the current budget. He noted financially the Village was rocking and we were ahead this year until the pandemic. He is awaiting numbers from IML for estimates of per capita tax. The Village has deferred capital expenses. He expects next year will be a tougher year than this year. Currently only 2% of our top twenty (20) businesses are non-essential. Sales tax in paid three (3) months in arrears.

The Chair thanked Mr. Sawyers for his steady stewardship of the Village's finances. The Chair thanked all the Departments for their cooperation as well. The Police Chief has placed \$280,000 in expenditures on hold. The Village has suspended hiring and is in a pullback mode. Rep. Burke reminded the Mayor of State grant monies and Mr. Klass and Mr. Lorenz have made applications. Chicago Mayor Lightfoot has postponed the 2.4% increase of the Water billing.

A brief discussion took place regarding the impact of closed businesses and cancelled Village events. As Liquor Commissioner the Chair noted he is considering a reduction in license fees due to the State mandated closings. Other efforts will be made to help all the small businesses who have not been able to open. The Chair stated we will continue to monitor the State mandates and the progression into the next phase. He supports opening baseball with precautions for the safety of the players, coaches and spectators. He stated we can discuss street closures/parking lots to utilize more space for the open eating areas.

**EPPD
BODY CAMS**

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee McQuillan to approve Police Chief Saunders request for additional body cameras in the amount of \$39,984.00. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees

Marzullo, McQuillan, Anderson and Phelan; voting NO: NONE.
The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

**PW REQUEST
SALE OF OLD
EQUIPMENT**

Motion by Trustee Anderson second by Trustee Marzullo to approve PW Director Lorenz's request to sell on the Muni Bid website to the highest bidder a 2001 Ford F-350 Flatbed truck and various old PW equipment. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Marzullo, McQuillan, Anderson and Phelan; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

PROCLAMATIONS

Motion by Trustee Marzullo second by Trustee McQuillan to approve the following Proclamations: May 17-23, 2020 as EMS (EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK) and MAY 2020 AS "OLDER AMERICANS MONTH" and PUBLIC WORKS WEEK MAY 17-23, 2020 "THE RHYTHM OF PUBLIC WORKS". The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote and so ordered by the Chair.

**ENGINEER'S
REPORT**

Village Engineer Tim Klass was not in attendance. Trustee Marzullo questioned the 50/50 sidewalk program. The Chair noted we will have to wait and see what the numbers reflect before a decision can be made.

**ATTORNEY'S
REPORT**

The Attorney had no report.

**BIDS
TABLED**

Motion by Trustee Marzullo second by Trustee McQuillan to table the bid for the Sanitary Sewer lining project to the low bidder of Insituform in the amount of \$259,000. Due to budget concerns this item will be postponed. Upon roll call, voting YES to table: Trustees McQuillan, Anderson, Phelan and Marzullo; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

Motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Anderson to approve PW Director Lorenz's request to award the 2019 CDBG Sanitary Sewer Lining Project to the low bidder of Hoerr Construction in the amount of \$179,000. This project is paid with CDBG monies. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Anderson, Phelan, Marzullo and McQuillan; voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

Motion by Trustee Marzullo second by Trustee McQuillan to approve the PW Director's request to advertise for (RFP's)

requests for proposals for asphalt patch repair and concrete patch repair and the hourly rate for trucking spoils to the dump site. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees Phelan, Marzullo, McQuillan and Anderson voting NO: NONE. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair.

MISC. NONE.

ADJOURNMENT With nothing further to come before this meeting, motion by Trustee Phelan second by Trustee Anderson that this Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees adjourn. Upon roll call, voting YES: Trustees McQuillan, Anderson, Phelan and Marzullo; voting NO: None. The motion was passed and so ordered by the Chair at 8:20 P.M.

Catherine T. Aparo, MMC, Village Clerk