

**APPROVED MINUTES - SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK
HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 23RD, 2012 AT 7:30 P.M.
IN ROOM 101 OF OAK PARK VILLAGE HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Pope called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope
ABSENT: None

**III. MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE SALE
AND PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AND LITIGATION**

In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, it was moved and seconded to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the sale and purchase of property and litigation in Room 130.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion was approved.

IV. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING 7:30 PM IN ROOM 101

PRESENT: Trustees Brewer, Hedges, Johnson, Lueck, Salzman and Tucker; President Pope
ABSENT: None

The Special Meeting reconvened at 7:40 p.m. in Room 101.

III. 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.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

V. 2012 BOARD PRIORITIES AND CALENDAR

1. Calendar

The Board discussed future meeting dates and scheduling of agenda items.

Village Manager Tom Barwin explained the process of compiling an agenda.

Trustee Brewer raised the possibility of allocating a specific amount of time for discussion of each item, adding that discussion beyond 30 minutes may warrant the item to be tabled and brought up at a future meeting. Trustee Hedges commented that much of the discussion is for the benefit of those watching the meeting; it is not necessarily the Board's responsibility to explain all the issues when that information is available elsewhere.

Trustee Lueck suggested having time limits for each item. She noted that there have been instances when there's been discussion and it's clear that more information is needed to make a decision. This should be identified sooner rather than later. Trustee Lueck also stated that questions that the Board already knows the answer to should not be asked in order to make the information public. Questions should be regarding information needed to cast a vote.

Agenda topics were assigned for future meetings through the beginning of April.

2. Board Priorities

President Pope referred to the document entitled 2011/2013 Board Goals & Visions and read aloud the board goals that were identified at a prior meeting: Retail Strategy and Commercial District Vitality; Fiscal Responsibility; Sustainability; User Friendly Village Hall; Intergovernmental Cooperation; Public Safety; Housing and Diversity; Infrastructure and Public Works; Tourism and the Arts; Community Building and Civic Engagement; Governmental Transparency and Communications and Legislative.

Following a discussion addressing sub-headings under each of these topics, President Pope stated that any other suggestions could be forwarded to Mr. Barwin for a subsequent conversation.

ADJOURN

It was moved and seconded to adjourn. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:59 P.M. Monday, January 23, 2012.

SUBMITTED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF:

By: MaryAnn Schoenneman
Interim Deputy Village Clerk

Teresa Powell, Village Clerk