

**APPROVED MINUTES - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK
HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST, 2012 AT 6:30 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF OAK PARK VILLAGE HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Pope called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

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

**III. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING,
LITIGATION, PERSONNEL AND SALE OF PROPERTY**

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

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustees Brewer and Salzman

The motion was approved.

IV. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING 7:30 PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

V. AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda for the meeting. President Pope announced that Item L would be moved from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda and Item B would be moved ahead of Item A. A voice vote was taken and the agenda was approved as amended.

VI. MINUTES

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 6, 2012 be approved. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as presented.

VII. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Rogers, 822 N. Cuyler. Mr. Rogers asked several questions regarding potential legal fines and fees involved with the firearms ordinance litigation.

Harold Stoetzner, 229 S. East Ave. Mr. Stoetzner also spoke about the handgun ordinance litigation and was in favor of establishing a citizens committee to address the issue.

George Sanders, 1136 S. Euclid Ave. Mr. Sanders also expressed concern regarding legal fines and asked if there was an indemnification agreement between the Village and the City of Chicago.

David Schweig, 411 N. Humphrey. Mr. Schweig also urged the Board to establish a citizens committee.

VIII. PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no proclamations, resolutions, awards or presentations.

IX. VILLAGE MANAGER REPORTS

Village Manager Tom Barwin stated that work on the original Avenue water main crossing under the I-290 is complete. Roadway and landscape restoration will take place in the spring. Work on the sewer televising project is complete. Staff is continuing to review the tapes to determine future sewer main work that needs to be done; the report will be presented to the Board shortly. The 2012 sidewalk contracts are out for bid as of February 9. Additional lighting on Marion Street from Pleasant to Pleasant Place is out for bid and due February 23. Bids for repairs to the Harlem Avenue sewers are due March 8. That work needs to proceed prior to the State's resurfacing of Harlem later this year. Installation of solar panels began at the Avenue Garage over the weekend and completion is expected within three to four weeks. In closing, Mr. Barwin spoke about Oak Park being recognized at a national conference regarding sustainability for their achievement of 100 percent renewable electricity aggregation. He added that as many as 250 other communities are planning to put aggregation on their ballots this year.

X. VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEES

There was no Board Committee business to report.

XI. CITIZEN COMMISSION VACANCIES

President Pope referred to the Board and Commission vacancy report, and urged residents to volunteer.

XII. CITIZEN COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS, REAPPOINTMENTS, REMOVAL, RESIGNATION AND CHAIR APPOINTMENTS

It was moved and seconded to concur in the following appointment by President Pope:

Disability Access Commission

Appointment of Erica Henry, as Member, with a term to expire February 21, 2015

A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

XIII. REGULAR AGENDA

All Ordinances and Resolutions adopted herein are herewith ordered filed in the Office of the Village Clerk

B. Historic Preservation Commission Education Session with Village Board

Historic Preservation Commission Chair Christina Morris gave an overview of the purpose of preservation and the role of the Historic Preservation Commission. She stated that they have been focusing on education and training as well as outreach to property owners regarding what preservation is and what it can do. She spoke about the work of the commission and noted the Landmark Link newsletter, updated Architectural Review Guidelines and a new searchable database that will be available to the public.

A. Presentation by the Historic Preservation Commission with Regard to the Recommendation and Findings of Fact for the Proposed Expansion of the Boundaries of the Frank Lloyd Wright-Prairie School of Architecture Historic District and Approval of the Ordinance

1. It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 2012-0-08 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-9-3 OF THE VILLAGE CODE RELATING TO THE RECOGNITION OF EXISTING HISTORIC DISTRICT AND AMENDING SECTION 7-9-4 OF THE VILLAGE CODE RELATING TO THE RIDGELAND/OAK PARK AND GUNDERSON HISTORIC DISTRICTS** be adopted.

Historic Preservation Manager Doug Kaarre explained the proposed expansion of the boundaries of the National Register Historic District; these amended boundaries were listed in the National Register in May, 2009. He asked that the local ordinance be amended to reflect this expansion. The specific areas proposed are consistent with the existing district in terms of period built, architectural styles and building types. The expansion area of the district consists of 444 properties. The Historic Preservation Commission has notified all property owners by mail, held three public meetings for the purpose of gathering public comment and one public hearing notifying all property owners within the district of the expanded boundaries of the district. The amendment also includes some minor language changes for clarification. Mr. Kaarre answered questions from the Board.

Bill Dawson, 727 Forest Ave. Mr. Dawson stated that homeowners of such properties must go through a difficult and potentially expensive review process before performing any upgrades or remodeling. He asked that the Board consider adjusting that process before expanding the district.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustees Brewer and Salzman

The ordinance was adopted.

- E. It was moved and seconded that a **Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with DeKalb Mechanical for Design/Build Services for a Geothermal HVAC System for Village Hall Council Chambers in an Amount to Exceed \$305,000.00** be adopted.

Director of Public Works John Wielebnicki stated that this contract would allow for placement of a geothermal HVAC system on the lower level of Village Hall instead of building an outdoor brick enclosure as originally proposed. The additional cost of \$90,000 will be offset by approximately \$72,000 in available grant funding. Trustee Johnson expressed concern regarding spending an additional \$90,000 since it has been determined that brick matching that of Village Hall is available.

It was moved and seconded to amend to proceed with the geothermal above-ground bid of \$215,000.

Following a discussion and an inspection of the area proposed, Trustee Tucker suggested that this be referred to the Historic Preservation Commission, as Village Hall is an architecturally significant building. President Pope noted that this grant funding required allocation sometime in March or would be forfeited.

The motion to amend was withdrawn and the resolution was referred back to staff.

- J. It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 2012-0-9 entitled **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION OF THE TIMELINE FOR PLANNED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE NO. 2009-0-089 AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY ORDINANCES 2011-0-47, 2010-0-50, AND 2011-0-09 FOR MADISON HIGHLANDS (229, 231-245, 301-307 MADISON STREET AND 511 SO. HARVEY AVENUE) LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF MADISON STREET AND HARVEY AVENUE** be approved.

Mas Takiguchi, attorney for the developer, stated that his client needed this additional time to secure tenants, noting that they have been in discussion with several entities who have expressed interest in this project.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustees Brewer and Salzman

The ordinance was adopted.

- D1.** It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 2012-O-10 ENTITLED **ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3.9.3 (B) TRANSIT-RELATED RETAIL OVERLAY DISTRICT BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE ZONING ORDINANCE** be adopted.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:
 AYES: Trustees Johnson, Lueck and Tucker; President Pope
 NAYS: Trustee Hedges
 ABSENT: Trustees Brewer and Salzman
 The ordinance was adopted.

- L.** It was moved and seconded that Resolution 2012-R-24 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK TO ENTER INTO A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OAK PARK LODGE 8, CONCERNING TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS FOR A TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013** be adopted.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:
 AYES: Trustees Hedges, Johnson, Lueck and Tucker; President Pope
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Trustees Brewer and Salzman
 The resolution was adopted.

XIV. CONSENT AGENDA

- D2.** Ordinance 2012-O-11 entitled **ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 3.8.1(C), 3.8.2 (C), AND 3.8.4 (C) OF THE VILLAGE ZONING ORDINANCE INCORPORATING VEGETATIVE/GREEN ROOF REGULATIONS**
- F.** Resolution 2012-R-25 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREETS IN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012**
- G.** Resolutions 2012-R-26 through 2012-R-41 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF YEAR 2012 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENTS**

1.	Oak Park Regional Housing Center	\$ 65,349
2.	Accolade	\$ 7,765
3.	Children’s Clinic	\$ 13,805
4.	Community Support Services	\$ 9,922
5.	NAMI – Metro Suburban	\$ 3,969
6.	OPRF Food Pantry	\$ 15,530
7.	Parenthesis Parent-Child Center	\$ 8,628
8.	Parenthesis Parent-Child Center	\$ 10,785
9.	Sarah’s Inn	\$ 11,216
10.	Thrive Counseling Center	\$ 7,506
11.	Vital Bridges/Heartland Health	\$ 6,040
12.	West Suburban PADS	\$ 10,362
13.	West Suburban PADS	\$ 21,570

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| 14. | Oak Park Regional Housing Center | \$ 96,264 |
| 15. | Oak Leyden | \$ 10,000 |
| 16. | Seguin Services | \$ 26,000 |
- H. Resolution 2012-R-42 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SUBORDINATION OF LIEN: BPIP-041**
- I. Resolution 2012-R-43 entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH SCHROEDER & SCHROEDER, INC. FOR PROJECT 12-3, SIDEWALK AND CURB REPLACEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$145,000**
- XV. Motion to Approve the Bills in the Amount of \$856,488.92

APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved and seconded to approve the items under the Consent Agenda.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustees Brewer and Salzman

The Consent Agenda was approved.

CALL TO THE BOARD AND CLERK

Village Clerk Powell discussed tonight's presentation by the Historic Preservation Commission and encouraged all to go out and enjoy the architecture in Oak Park.

Trustee Hedges spoke about the presentation as well and suggested other commissions do a similar report.

Trustee Tucker concurred with Trustee Hedges.

Trustee Johnson noted that several commission chair term expirations were approaching. He stated that an Intergovernmental Subcommittee meeting would be held on Saturday, February 25 at District 97 and would be attended by representatives of other taxing bodies.

Trustee Lueck referred to the CDBG grants approved this evening, noting that funding has been cut. She requested that next year, the commission consider the impact of cuts being made on a case by case basis versus set cuts across the board. She also stated that putting time limits on agenda items was a good first step but needs to be enforced. Trustee Lueck noted that there was much public comment regarding handguns and suggested a FAQ document be created. She also discussed the upcoming G8 Summit and the possible impact on Oak Park residents. In closing, she spoke about an event she attended with Governor Quinn, and reported that he discussed the energy aggregation plan with her and Trustee Johnson.

Mr. Barwin spoke about his years as Village Manager and his many accomplishments, stating that he will be moving on and seeking new opportunities after February 29.

President Pope expressed appreciation to Mr. Barwin for his years of service. He stated that an interim manager would be named while the search process for a permanent replacement is conducted.

ADJOURN

It was moved and seconded to adjourn. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:19 P.M. Monday, February 21, 2012.

SUBMITTED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF:

By: MaryAnn Schoenneman
Interim Deputy Village Clerk

Teresa Powell, Village Clerk