

**THE 2064TH REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK**

The 2064th regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was called to order by President Peter N. Silvestri on Monday, December 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Chambers.

The recipient of the Guerin Prep Auction "Mayor of the Day" award, Mr. Rob Back, was asked to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

A moment of silence was taken in remembrance of the men and women serving our Armed Forces around the world especially in Afghanistan and Iraq, and pray for their safe and speedy return home. A young man from Elmwood Park, Gerard Ottolino, who was in the military and subsequently a contractual employee in Afghanistan actually survived the war but died of natural causes while serving in Afghanistan. Mr. Ottolino lived on Sunset Drive.

Also a moment of silence was taken in memory of Sam Papajohn a long-time resident and the Elmwood Park link to the St. Rocco procession of St. Williams Parish.

On December 7, 1941, Japanese planes attacked the United States Naval Base at Pearl Harbor, killing more than 2,200 Americans. A moment of silence was taken in their memory.

On roll call the following trustees were present: Sam LaBarbera, Diane Kmiecik, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri.

At this time President Silvestri officially introduced Rob Back, the recipient of the "Mayor of the Day" award held at the Guerin Prep Auction. He was joined by his wife, Janet, and are residents of 73rd Court and Bloomingdale. They were welcomed to the meeting.

In attendance was Maggie Berndt, Communications and Audience Development Manager of the Illinois Humanities Council to join us in presenting the Studs Terkel Humanities Service Award to Ellen Bartolozzi who has been our Choir Director for the last several years and is now moving on.

The President commended Ellen for receiving this award. She has been an exemplary Choir Director and has certainly added to the Arts and Humanities in our community.

A medal of recognition was presented to Ms. Bartolozzi for her dedication in music. Recipients were selected for their service in the humanities, which include significant and sustained efforts to further public understanding of, and appreciation for, the humanities at the community level. Congratulations were extended to Ellen Bartolozzi.

Lauren Stone of the American Cancer Society presented the "Relay for Life Award" to the Village of Elmwood Park. Accepting the award was President Silvestri, who especially recognized Jim Parenti of our staff who has worked diligently to make the Relay for Life a great event in Elmwood Park. Special thanks were given to the American Cancer Society and Lauren Stone for her leadership in this regard

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Bennett to approve the Minutes of the 2063rd Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees held on Monday, November 16, 2009. Motion carried.

APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL

The Clerk presented the following applications for business licenses:

License for:	Location:	Applicant:
Sign	7830 W. North Ave. Elmwood Park, IL.	"V" Boutique
Electrical	5030 N. Leonard 3B Norridge, IL.	A K Electric
Carpentry	805 E. Cedar Lane Mt. Prospect, IL.	B. Waz Constr.
Roofer	295 W. Woodworth Roselle, IL.	Chris Roofing and Construction
Garage Door Inst.	2214 N. Lorel Chicago, IL.	Eli and Mandi Garage Doors
HVAC	5135 N. Oriole Harwood Hts., IL.	Fire & Ice Heating & Cool.
Cement	4911 S. Luna Chicago, IL.	G & D Services
Electrical	700 A Willow Lane West Dundee, IL.	GEM Enterprises
Roofer	1040 Logan Ave. Elgin, IL.	High Standard Roofing
Carpentry	3755 N. Harlem Chicago, IL.	Illinois Roofing and Siding
Roofer	7254 Central Burr Ridge, IL.	Jimmy's Quality Roofing
Roofer	5302 Hayes Rd. Algonquin, IL.	Johnco Builders
Carpentry	5009 W. Argyle Chicago, IL.	M. J. Parker & Co.

Electrical	6 N 381 Acacia Ln. Medinah, IL.	Musial Electric
Carpentry	9704 Industrial Dr. Bridgeview, IL.	Next Door & Window
Electrical	1001 Madison Oak Park, IL.	Regan Electric
HVAC	2833 S. Archer Chicago, IL.	Tapia N Son's Heating and Air Cond.
Landscaper	P. O. Box 2765 Des Plaines, IL.	Lorenzo's Landscaping
Home Occupation	1737 N. 74 th Ct. Elmwood Park, IL.	Bijou Defined Jewelry

A motion was made by Jeff Sargent and seconded by Mrs. Kmiecik to approve the above applications as listed. Motion carried.

BILLS AND VOUCHERS

President Silvestri summarized the following Bills and Vouchers for the period ending November 30, 2009. Summary of Expenditures Approved:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

General Fund	\$ 837,176.61
Water Fund	\$ 191,569.18
Parks and Recreation Fund	\$ 23,727.35
Emergency Telephone System Fund	\$ 61,030.00
Garbage Fund	\$ 120,000.00
Capital Projects/Bond Fund	\$ 154,377.50
TIF Fund	\$ 25,957.02
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	\$ 28,729.40
Special Events/Fest Fund	<u>\$ 1,125.00</u>
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 1,443,692.06

PAYROLL:

General Fund

Administration	\$	54,596.49
Code Administration	\$	36,074.93
Police Department	\$	228,203.09
Police Additional Pay	\$	40,276.65
Public Works	\$	128,424.32
Fire Department	\$	155,001.97
Fire Additional Pay	\$	<u>8,507.29</u>

Total General Fund \$ **651,084.74**

Water Fund	\$	31,545.83
Playground & Recreation Fund	\$	<u>32,370.76</u>

Total Gross Payroll \$ **715,001.33**

IMRF & FICA Village Portion \$ 50,990.83

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR BOARD APPROVAL REPORT

\$ 2,209,684.22

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Bennett to approve the bills and vouchers for the month of November, and authorize execution for payment by the President.

Mr. Kaminski reported that the Finance Committee reviewed the bills and vouchers and it was the unanimous recommendation of the Finance Committee that the bills and vouchers be approved for payment.

On roll call the following voted "Aye": Sam LaBarbera, Diane Kmiecik, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Motion carried.

President Silvestri declared a recess at 7:19 p.m

Meeting reconvened at 7:20 p.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEES

Mr. Forte announced that he had Minutes of the Public Library Finance/Audit Committee Meeting and will submit them to the Village Clerk if any Board members wish to review them.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Dalicandro reported that copies of the Village of Elmwood Park Annual Financial Report were mailed out and circulated to the Village President and Board of Trustees.

Elmwood Park seniors are asked to contact Senior Coordinator Tina Gordon for information on the snow-shoveling program.

The Village of Elmwood Park, with the assistance of Christopher B. Burke Engineering, has submitted a grant request to the federal government for \$11,000,000.00 for the construction of box culverts as recommended by the recent flood mitigation plan.

Lastly, the West Suburban Consolidated Dispatch Center, 2010 budget has been reduced. The Elmwood Park 2009 amount was \$61,030 and now it will be \$54,508.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Silvestri commended the Police Department and the neighboring Police Departments who will join forces to fight crime across municipal boundaries.

The Police Departments of Forest Park, Oak Park, River Forest and Elmwood Park have joined forces to create a regional law enforcement group to prevent and solve crimes by sharing timely intelligence, combining resources and providing multi-community public safety messages. The group is called FOREcast

A letter was given to the Village Manager regarding a Federal Fiscal Year 2007 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). This grant must be submitted to the Cook County Judicial Advisory Council by December 23, 2009.

President Silvestri thanked the West Suburban Special Recreation Association for holding their second annual Turkey Shoot at the Parks and Rec Center in Elmwood Park. This is a memorial event to honor Ed Schultz, WSSRA driver dedicated employee who gave 19 years of service to the Association. These funds are used to provide scholarships to needy families in the WSSRA.

John Lannefeld and Jim Parenti should be recognized for their hard work on their involvement.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Kevin Scanlan of the Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare Council in reference to a law pending before the Cook County Board which President Silvestri opposed. This is intended to tax hospitals to pay for healthcare.

A letter from Kristina A. Valaitis, Executive Director of the Illinois Humanities Council regarding the 2009 Studs Terkel Humanities Service Award. This was handled earlier.

RESOLUTIONS

A Resolution in support of sound insulation for Ridgewood High School, Elk Grove High School and Carpenter Elementary School in Park Ridge.

This Resolution was requested by Trustee Alan Kaminski on behalf of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission and resolved that the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Elmwood Park that the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) reverse its rulings and grant sound insulation to the above named schools, so that their students can learn under the same advantageous conditions as the 117 schools, that have received this work.

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Bennett to approve the above Resolution. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2009 and Ending April 30, 2010 of the Village of Elmwood Park, County of Cook, State of Illinois.

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. LaBarbera to approve the above ordinance.

On roll call the following voted "Aye": Sam LaBarbera, Diane Kmiecik, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Motion carried.

An Ordinance Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the year 2009 to Pay the Principal of and Interest on a \$1,785,000 General Obligation Taxable Tax Increment Refunding Bonds, Series 1993 of the Village of Elmwood Park, Cook County, Illinois

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to approve the above ordinance.

On roll call the following voted "Aye": Sam LaBarbera, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

President Silvestri, Mrs. Kmiecik, and Mr. Forte attended the Rush Football Banquet. There were approximately 350 parents with their children who participated in the program. These kids first started in the Rush program are now sophomores in high school and have a very successful football season. President Silvestri received a plaque for sponsoring the football team which will be displayed at the Village Hall.

Also, President Silvestri announced that our new Police Officer Brian Hock, graduated from the Cook County Sheriff's Police Academy and received the Frank Knapp "Outstanding Officer" award. The Frank Knapp award is the most prestigious award issued at the Cook County Academy, and issued only after a unanimous vote by the academy staff for a recruit's outstanding achievement in all categories during their training at the academy.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Sargent seconded by Mr. LaBarbera to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the President and Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, December 21, 2009 at the hour of 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie Sutter
Village Clerk