



Village of  
Elmwood Park

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THE 2098<sup>th</sup> REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTES  
VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK

The 2098<sup>th</sup> regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was called to order by President Peter Silvestri on Monday September 19, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Chambers.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

A moment of silence was taken in remembrance of the men and women who are serving our Armed Forces, especially those in Iraq and Afghanistan and pray for their speedy return home.

Also, a moment of silence was taken in remembrance of Jim Schaeffer, a long time member of the Elmwood Park Plan, Zoning and Development Commission and before that a member of the Board of Fire and Police Commission. Mr. Schaeffer passed away after an extended illness. Condolences were extended to the Schaeffer family.

The President asked leave to allow a report from Diane Kmiecik, our "Village Cares" Coordinator. With no objections from the Board, Mrs. Kmiecik was asked to come forward.

Mrs. Kmiecik has been coordinating this program since April, when she retired from the Village Board, and has been coordinating efforts to reach out to community members in need.

Mrs. Kmiecik thanked everyone for their assistance for Ed and Jackie Platis. Married in 2008, they had beautiful hopes and dreams for the future. Four months later, Ed, at 28 years of age, was diagnosed with Congestive Heart Failure and would need a heart transplant.

When they bought their home, they had hopes to rehab it but with all the hardship and expenses, it could not be done so they had to live in their basement.

Mrs. Kmiecik went on to report that when she went out to visit them, you could not help but to embrace them for what they were going through. She reached out to several people and organizations to help. Mrs. Kmiecik said she was proud to say that this community, with many individuals, businesses and organizations, were willing to help. Mrs. Kmiecik thanked everyone for this program and all their help and participation.

President Silvestri welcomed Chicago 36<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman, Mr. Nick Sposato. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Sposato on his victory.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to approve the Minutes of the President and Board of Trustees Meeting held on Monday, August 15, 2011. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to receive and file Minutes of the Plan, Zoning and Development Commission Meeting held on Monday, September 12, 2011. Motion carried.

**APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL**

The Clerk presented the following applications for business licenses:

<b>License for:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Applicant:</b>
Sign Permit	7707 W. Fullerton Elmwood Park, IL.	Traditional Barber Shop
Carpentry	2004 Cumberland Dr. Plainfield, IL.	AAA Remodeling Service
HVAC	9550 Sergo dr. McCook, IL.	Advanced Heating and Air Cond.
HVAC	19135 s. Blackhawk Mokena, IL.	Allegionoe HVAC

Carpentry	1120 N. Meadow Ln. Mt. Prospect, IL.	C & F Bldrs.
Carpentry	727 Lombard St. Elmhurst, IL.	C.J. Construc.
Drywall	2425 N. Austin Ave. Chicago, IL.	Chicago Drywall Plus, Inc.
Concrete	14356 Streamwood Dr. Orland Park, IL.	Concrete by R. H. Thomas
Electrical	6971 W. Oakdale Chicago, IL.	Effective Elec. Inc.
Tuckpointing/Masonry	9208 S. Kedvale Oak Lawn, IL.	Fine Line Masonry and Tuckpointing
Carpentry	3451 Prescott Lyons, IL.	Foss Custom Homes and Additions
Hanndicap Lifts	225 Depot St. Antioch, IL	Garaventa USA Inc.
Carpentry	2741 N. 75 <sup>th</sup> Ct. Elmwood Park, IL.	Great Homes Construction
HVAC	3331 Emerson St. Franklin Park, IL.	Gugo Inc.
Sheetmetal/Piping	950 1654 <sup>th</sup> St. Hammond, Indiana	H AC Holloway Meyers
Carpentry	2340 Elmwood Berwyn, IL.	Inyworks, Inc.
Antenna Installer	3830 Terry Diane Beaverton, MI	L & K Electric Inc.
Electrical	P. O. Box 1165 Northbrook, IL.	Liteway Elec. Contractors

Carpentry	404 Emmerson Ave. Itasca, IL.	MGL Constr. and Remodeling
Roofer	975 Pickard Oswego, IL.	Midwest Roofing and Siding
Carpentry	1935 N. 72 <sup>nd</sup> Ct. Elmwood Park, IL.	My Handyman
Electrical	1B W 277 Holly Ave. Darien, IL.	N & B Elec.
Carpentry	31 Prairie Pointe Lane Streamwood, IL.	Newfield Elec.
Electrical	31 Prairie Pointe Lane Streamwood, IL.	Newfield Elec.
HVAC	601 Versailles Dr. Bartlett, IL.	Partner 3 Heating and Cooling
Electrical	205 E. Butterfield Rd. Elmhurst, IL.	Polly Electric
Drywall Carpentry	5104 N. Harlem Ave. Harwood Hts., IL.	Primo Group Inc.
HVAC	234 James Bensenville, IL.	RMC Inc.
Concrete/Pavers	8042 N. Kilpatrick Skokie, IL.	Raul Vazquez Brick and Cement
Carpentry	2732 N. 76 <sup>th</sup> Ct. Elmwood Park, IL.	Robert's Constr. and Remodeling
Masonry	1614 N. 73 <sup>rd</sup> Ave. Elmwood Park, IL.	Sabella Constr., Inc.
Carpentry	8000 S. Nordica Burbank, IL.	Skupien's Construction Inc.

Electrical	7301 Leonard Dr. Darien, IL.	Tru-Power Elec.
Electrical	17123 Pointe Dr. Orland Park, IL.	Village Square Elec. Inc.
Electrical	710 Liberty Ave. St. Charles, IL.	W. D. Peterson Construction
Carpentry/Windows	25W355 Lake St. Roselle, IL.	Woodland Windows and Doors, Inc.
Business	7707 W. Fullerton Elmwood Park, IL.	Still Traditional Barber Shop
Home Occupation	2741 N. 75 <sup>th</sup> Ct. Elmwood Park, IL.	Great Homes Construction
Home Occupation	2956 N. 73 <sup>rd</sup> Ave. Elmwood Park, IL.	Wish 4 Hearts
Home Occupation	1935 N. 72 <sup>nd</sup> Ct. Elmwood Park, IL.	My Handyman
Scavenger	2901 N. Rutherford Chicago, IL.	Segundo B. Huerta
Game Machine	2044 N. Harlem Elmwood Park, IL.	Phil's Sports Bar
Solicitor	1015 Park Ave. River Forest	Forest Security, Inc. Christopher Rutili
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A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Sargent to approve the above applications as listed.

Mr. Kaminski said that the license application for Foss Custom Homes lacks all the details for the required insurance information.

The motion was amended to approve the application subject to the submission of the insurance information. Motion carried.

**BILLS AND VOUCHERS**

President Silvestri summarized the following Bills and Vouchers for the period ending August 31, 2011. Summary of Expenditures Approved:

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

General Fund	\$	379,390.15
Water Fund	\$	508,737.85
Parks and Recreation Fund	\$	31,837.45
TIF Fund	\$	2,100.00
Special Events/Fest Fund	\$	46,635.59
Garbage Fund	\$	134,750.00
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	\$	9,595.00
Emergency Telephone System Fund	\$	<u>113,815.62</u>
<b>TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,226,861.66</b>

**PAYROLL:**

<b>General Fund</b>		
Administration	\$	61,478.67
Code Administration	\$	24,350.68
Police Department	\$	295,640.12
Police Additional Pay	\$	28,056.39
Public Works	\$	124,637.33
Fire Department	\$	150,181.37
Fire Additional Pay	\$	<u>10,969.05</u>
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>695,313.61</b>
Water Fund	\$	32,254.19
Playground & Recreation Fund	\$	<u>75,686.95</u>
<b>Total Gross Payroll</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>803,254.75</b>
IMRF & FICA Village Portion	\$	<u>65,992.82</u>

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR BOARD APPROVAL REPORT**

**\$ 2,096,109.23**

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Bennett to approve the bills and vouchers for the month of August 31, 2011, and authorize execution for payment by the President.

Mr. Kaminski reported that the Finance Committee met at 6:30 p.m. and 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, Angela Stranges, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Motion carried.

At this time President Silvestri recognized two individuals who have contributed to the quality of life in Elmwood Park. One served as Executive Director of the Mont Clare Elmwood Park Chamber of Commerce, Barbara Mini. She also served as Chairman of the Fire and Police Commission.

On behalf of the Village Board and the people of Elmwood Park she was presented with a plaque for her dedicated service to the Mont Clare Elmwood Park Chamber of Commerce and congratulations and best wishes on her retirement.

The second individual was recognized for his public service, Police Chief F. Thomas Braglia. Chief Braglia was recognized for his dedication and service to protect and serve the people of the Village of Elmwood Park. Tom Braglia has brought professionalism to this department, a new level of honesty, integrity and pride. We are very proud of the work Chief Braglia has done and as the longest serving Police Chief in Elmwood Park. A plaque was presented to Chief F. Thomas Braglia along with a beautiful watch. Congratulations and best wishes were extended to Chief F. Thomas Braglia.

At this time Mr. Rob Grant, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) was recognized. Mr. Grant spoke highly of Tom Braglia and his exceptional skills and the men and women of law enforcement and all he has done with the FBI in Chicago. A small token of gratitude was presented to F. Thomas Braglia from the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Chicago.

Public comments at 7:25 p.m.

Mr. John Medina of 2925 N. 74<sup>th</sup> Court, Elmwood Park Neighborhood Civic Organization commented on the inaugural Farm Stand that was held on September 11, 2011.

Ms. Christine Kazmierski of 7935 Oakleaf, Elmwood Park informed the Board that there is a pot hole at the beginning of the block. Information will be forwarded to the Public Works Department.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEES**

Mrs. Stranges commented on the September 11<sup>th</sup> event held at Central Park. It was very well attended and said that the Arts and Special Events Committee did a very good job putting it together.

Mr. Kaminski reported that Friday, September 30, 2011 is Homecoming at Elmwood Park High School.

Mr. Bennett reported that last Thursday CMAP (Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning) consultants conducted their initial public hearing on the development of our new Comprehensive Plan for the Village of Elmwood Park. There were approximately 80 people including the President, Village Manager and several trustees. The attendees were divided into working groups. Many of the issues that were presented coincide very strongly with the priority that this Board has been working on for several years including the flooding issues and getting funding for an underpass and also to increase our business diversity within our community.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Mr. Durkin said there were two items on the agenda. First, a Resolution dealing with the payroll outsourcing function and the Village Manager will address this in his report.

Second, an Ordinance amending rules of procedure of the Village Board Meeting that was implemented this evening and will need Board approval.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Dalicandro reported that several new items of information have been added to our [www.elmwoodpark.org](http://www.elmwoodpark.org) web page. We will be looking to completely re-design this page in our next fiscal year.

Mr. Dalicandro also reported that a new item will be added to our Home Flood Proofing Assistance Program, a drain tile installation will be allowed inside the home adjacent to the existing foundation. This will help with seepage issues.

The entry level police officer test is now complete. The top five individuals will begin the next phases of testing. Once this is completed, three police officer candidates will be hired.

Lastly, Mr. Dalicandro reported that the Village has decided to outsource our payroll process. This new system will create improved tracking and reporting capabilities. Time clocks will be installed and integrated with the system to automate the payroll process. Employees will have online access to their payroll records and the Village will be able to upload documentation, notifications, and policy and procedure updates to the employee access site. Two companies were researched and Paylocity was chosen based on their increased security, employee self-service access, and the fact that they are SaaS (Software as a Service) Company utilizing true cloud computing. This means that the information is never purged or archived and there is no sending or receiving of files, everything is entered directly into the system.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Silvestri advised the Board that there have been discussions with Mr. Dalicandro and our law firm regarding statutory language for State Representative Saviano and State Senator Harmon to introduce in Springfield creating the Elmwood Park Grand Avenue Underpass authority. This is a similar act that was passed to allow for the successful underpass in Franklin Park and the still not completed underpass in Melrose/Bellwood on 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

President Silvestri said he also spoke with Congressman Quigley who continues to hope to put some type of funding in this program.

The updated Flood Mitigation Study will be presented to the Board sometime in the next fifteen to thirty days. This will seek other options besides the completed flood mitigation plan. The Board will consider which plan should be implemented to relieve flooding in the most chronic flooding parts of the community.

The President hosted a parking meeting with business owners along North Avenue from 74<sup>th</sup> Court to 75<sup>th</sup> Court and it was a very worthwhile discussion. There are several options to improve parking for the residents and businesses.

President Silvestri had the opportunity to tape the "Town Forum" program with guest Jeff Mauro, the "Sandwich King" on the Food Network. He is a very gifted young man and lived in Galewood, River Forest and Elmwood Park. Mr. Mauro will join us at a future meeting so that we can present him with a Certificate of Appreciation for bringing good publicity to Elmwood Park. The show airs on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. on Food Network.

President Silvestri then introduced the Farmer's Market Coordinator, Meredith Conn who coordinated our "Farm Stand" preview.

Meredith Conn managed the Oak Park Farmer's Market for six years. Ms. Conn gave a lengthy report on Farmer's Markets, how they are set up, cost, and explained how the September 11<sup>th</sup> Farmer's Market was organized. At her advice and in discussion with President Silvestri, Ms. Conn suggested that the trial market start small, with only 3 vendors. Meredith Conn is experienced in setting up Farmer's Markets and with her knowledge and direction; President Silvestri said that a future Farmer's Market may be held sometime in October. The President thanked Ms. Conn for her advice and suggestions.

President Silvestri concluded his report by announcing that he received a letter from the Elmwood Park Snowball Program thanking the Board for the generous donation toward the various drug-prevention and positive leadership activities throughout the year. Signed by teacher Anthony J. Silvestri and Paige Kozyra.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Tony Viola of the Elmwood Park Kiwanis requesting permission to hold an annual peanut day on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 24, 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Sargent and seconded by Mr. LaBarbera to grant permission to the above request. Motion carried.

A letter from Michael G. Masters, Executive Director of the Cook County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management regarding awareness on weather conditions. Informational. No Board action required.

A letter from Auxiliary Captain Wilk recommending promoting Auxiliary Sergeant Mike Quaid to Auxiliary Lieutenant.

President Silvestri asked the advice and consent of the Board on the promotion of Auxiliary Sergeant Mike Quaid to Auxiliary Lieutenant.

A motion was made by Mr. Sargent and seconded by Mr. Forte to concur with the advice and consent of the President on the promotion of Auxiliary Sergeant Mike Quaid to Auxiliary Lieutenant. Motion carried.

President Silvestri administered the Oath of the new rank to Mike Quaid. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Quaid.

Mr. Bennett read a communication that was not listed on the agenda.

A letter was received from Richard Pellegrino, Executive Director of the West Central Municipal Conference dated September 13, 2011 thanking President Silvestri for his leadership regarding the issues relative to the acquisition of power and rate schedules. In this regard the WCMC has today, begun an analysis power issue on a regional scale. Mr. Bennett said that President Silvestri is to be applauded for leading this effort to conduct a research project to determine whether we can as a sub-region provide our residents with discounted rates for electrical service.

#### RESOLUTIONS

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Payroll Processing Agreement with Paylocity Corporation.

A motion was made by Mrs. Stranges and seconded by Mr. Sargent to approve the above Resolution.

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

### ORDINANCES

An Ordinance Amending a Portion of Section 2-23, Entitled "Rules of Order," of the Code of the Village of Elmwood Park

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

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

### OLD BUSINESS

### NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mr. Sargent and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to approve the Home Flood Proofing Assistance Program by allowing drain tile installation inside the home adjacent to the existing foundation to help seepage issues.

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

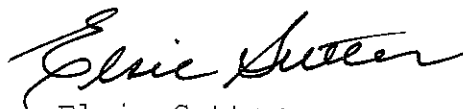
The Paylocity Agreement was handled previously, under the order of Resolutions.

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

The next meeting of the President and Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, October 3, 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Elsie Sutter  
Village Clerk