

**THE 2068th REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK**

The 2068th regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was called to order by President Peter N. Silvestri on Monday, March 1, 2010 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 serving our Armed Forces around the world especially in Afghanistan and Iraq, and pray for their safe and speedy return home.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. Sargent to approve the Minutes of the 2067th Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees and Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Monday, February 1, 2010. Motion carried.

APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL

The Clerk presented the following applications for business licenses:

License for:	Location:	Applicant:
Sign Permit	7308 W. North Ave. Elmwood Park, IL.	Antico Forno
HVAC	1636 w. Columbia Chicago, IL.	Cold Fix Corp.
Carpentry	2010 S. Ashland Chicago, IL.	Discovery Awnings and Canopies
HVAC	4000 W. North Ave. Stone Park, IL.	Fricold Heating and Cooling

Carpentry	1523 N. Oakton Des Plaines, IL.	Golabek Inventive Construction
Carpentry	4957 N. Kilpatrick Chicago, IL.	Illinois Contractors Grp.
Electrical	4957 N. Kilpatrick Chicago, IL.	IL. Electricians Group, Inc.
Carpentry	2041 Stallion Ct. Wheaton, IL.	KBB Remodeling
Carpentry	421 N. Rush Itasca, IL.	M.F.C. Builders
Electrical	928 N. Lincoln Park Ridge, IL.	Mirek Electric
Gen. Contractor	1846 N. Orleans #1F Chicago, IL	Moldman LLC
Masonry	7411 W. Addison Chicago, IL.	PPK Services
Carpentry	780 Hartford Ln. Bolingbrook, IL.	Premier Property Improvements
Electrical	1925 W. Hubbard Chicago, IL.	Nech Electric
Electrical	3849 W. 83 rd Pl. Chicago, IL.	Nia Electric
Roofer	270 Carlton Dr. Carol Stream, IL.	Recon Solutions
Carpentry	2805 N. 75 th Ave. Elmwood Park, IL.	Roman Kondratiuk
Electrical	7744 Monroe Forest Park, IL.	Tefco Construction
Scavenger	2251 N. 76 th Ct. Elmwood Park, IL.	Scrap Metal
Print Shop	7959 W. Grand Ave. Elmwood Park, IL.	D & R Press
Business	7308 W. North Ave. Elmwood Park, IL.	Antico Forno

Business	2838 N. Harlem Elmwood Park, IL.	Nail Care
Business	2400 N. Harlem Elmwood Park, IL.	AFC Sushi @ Caputo's Fresh Market
Scavenger	4708 W. Montana Chicago, IL.	Scrap and Metal
Business	7500 Grand Ave. Elmwood Park, IL.	Marelli Gold Exchange

A motion was made by Mr. Sargent and seconded by Mr. LaBarbera to approve the above applications as listed. Motion carried.

BILLS AND VOUCHERS

President Silvestri summarized the following Bills and Vouchers for the period ending February 26, 2010. Summary of Expenditures Approved:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

General Fund	\$ 326,760.64
Water Fund	\$ 192,098.61
Parks and Recreation Fund	\$ 14,112.47
Emergency Telephone System Fund	\$ 54,508.00
Garbage Fund	\$ 135,000.00
TIF Fund	\$ 21,543.75
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	\$ 124,824.15
Special Events/Fest Fund	<u>\$ 20,150.00</u>

TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 888,997.62
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PAYROLL:

General Fund	
Administration	\$ 53,763.86
Code Administration	\$ 25,612.70
Police Department	\$ 228,767.48
Police Additional Pay	\$ 41,019.04
Public Works	\$ 132,952.86
Fire Department	\$ 155,001.94
Fire Additional Pay	<u>\$ 8,518.94</u>

Total General Fund	\$ 645,636.82
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Water Fund	\$ 33,105.14
Playground & Recreation Fund	<u>\$ 29,957.62</u>

Total Gross Payroll	\$	708,699.58
IMRF & FICA Village Portion	\$	<u>53,785.67</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR BOARD APPROVAL REPORT

\$ 1,651,482.87

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Bennett to approve the bills and vouchers for the month of February, 2010 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 Kniecik, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Motion carried.

President Silvestri declared a recess at 7:05 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 7:06 p.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEES

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Durkin summarized the "Ordinance Reserving Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues and Related Matters" which is on the agenda this evening.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Dalicandro reported that there will be a meeting of the whole scheduled for March 22nd at 9:30 a.m. to discuss the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Village Budget.

Secondly, Mr. Dalicandro reported that the Village of Elmwood Park has participated in the Single Family Housing Preservation Program through the Northwest Housing Partnership (NWHP) since 1995. The program provides 0% interest deferred loans to qualified homeowners for the repair of unsafe or deteriorated conditions of their property. The money can also be used to correct code violations, but it cannot be used for remodeling or redecorating. The loan amount of up to \$25,000 has income minimums and loan application requirements. All loan applications are considered, and eligibility is determined by a

building inspection and approval by the NWHP.

The NWHP staff assists the homeowner with the entire rehabilitation process. To date, the NWHP has provided Elmwood Park homeowners with \$536,116 in rehabilitation funding.

Next, Mr. Dalicandro reported on an Ordinance that is on the agenda which extends both the Fire and Police entry level eligibility lists for one year. The reason for the extension is that we have active participants still remaining on each list and the Village will not have to spend the funds necessary to conduct the eligibility testing.

Lastly, the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) is proposing bus stop changes in Elmwood Park on the #90 route. It includes moving the current southbound bus stop located at Harlem and Armitage from nearside to farside, and doing the same for the Southbound stop currently at Harlem and Bloomingdale. CTA is requesting approval by the President and Board of Trustees for these changes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Silvestri reminded the Board and the community of the Village, Library and the School District efforts to do a community-wide reading of a book entitled "Three Cups of Tea." This is to promote reading.

President Silvestri thanked the Library for hosting the inauguration of the event.

The President announced that there will be a budget workshop on March 22nd. The budget workshop will illustrate the difficulties of the recession on our local government, like any other community, from budget problems. President Silvestri informed the Village Manager that everything is "on the table" in terms of reduction of staff, or programs, or special events, to make sure that the budget is balanced and that it does not create a burden on the taxpayers of our community.

Elmwood Park's budget in 2010 will be different from the earlier budgets. Elmwood Park has been spared on the recession on the most negative effects up until this time because of this Board and Administration's diligence in having reserves available and controlled spending policies. The President shared these concerns and said that we will get through this together as a community.

President Silvestri announced that the official grand opening of Caputo's will be on Monday, March 22nd at 8:00 a.m. On April 15th there will be the grand re-opening of the Elmwood Care Center from 4:00 p.m. top 7:00 p.m. They have rehabilitated the facility at 7743 West Grand Avenue.

At this time, President Silvestri administered the Oath of office to Mr. Orlando Vale who was appointed by the Library Board of Trustees to fill the vacancy created by Jean Engerman Catrambone. President Silvestri welcomed Mr. Vale to the Elmwood Park Library Board and expressed his thanks and appreciation for volunteering his time on this Board. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Vale.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Attorney Brian W. Baugh of Storino, Ramello and Durkin with reference to the ordinance reserving the Village's Year 2010 Home Rule Private Activity Bond Volume Cap Allocation. This will be handled under the order of Ordinances.

A letter from Daniel T. Maloney, Director of Government Affairs of Comcast Cable informing the Village of the changing of names, internet and voice products in Elmwood Park. Informational. No Board action required.

A second letter from Daniel T. Maloney of Comcast Cable informing the Village of program changes in Elmwood Park. Informational. No Board action required.

A letter from Trisha Cassidy, President of Gottlieb Memorial Hospital informing the Village of the integration of Loyola University Health System and Gottlieb Memorial Hospital. Informational. No Board action required.

A letter from Cook County Commissioner Peter N. Silvestri informing the Village of the approval of a grant in the amount of \$56,000 for LED streetlights to be placed on Harlem and North Avenues. Informational. No Board action required.

A letter from Susan Eubanks of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources congratulating the Village on being selected for and OSLAD grant funding in the amount of \$487,000.00 for the Armitage and 76th Avenue project. Informational. No Board action at this time.

A letter from Ryan Mouw of the Chicago Transit Authority proposing bus stop changes in Elmwood Park. The proposed changes will be southbound at Armitage to relocate to farside and

southbound at Bloomingdale to relocate to farside.

The benefits of relocating will get buses through the traffic light, improving schedule adherence; keep buses from blocking right-turning traffic, and eliminate the dangerous practice of vehicles making right-turns in front of stopped buses.

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

A letter from Donna M. Alexander, Cook County Dept. of Animal and Rabies Control seeking assistance in the education of the public regarding co-existing safely with urban coyotes. Education of the public will help limit the number of conflict situations and hopefully eliminate disasters. Informational. No Board action required.

A letter from Todd H. Stroger, President Cook County Board of Commissioners with reference to a 2009 Justice Assistance Non-Stimulus Grant Program application in the amount of \$20,813. This was forwarded to the Elmwood Park Police Department.

RESOLUTIONS

A Resolution Declaring the Village of Elmwood Park's Withdrawal from Northern Illinois Municipal Gas Franchise Consortium.

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

ORDINANCES

An Ordinance Reserving Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, and Related Matters

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 Extending the Expiration Dates of the Original Appointment Eligibility Lists for Police Officers and Firefighters in the Village of Elmwood Park.

A motion was made by Mr. Sargent 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.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

President Silvestri announced that he met with the liquor license holders on Monday, March 1st to discuss new license regulations, state underage enforcement, video gaming statute of Illinois, etc. There were mixed reactions.

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

The next meeting of the President and Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, March 15, 2010 at the hour of 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie Sutter
Village Clerk

