

**THE 2079th REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTES
VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK**

The 2079th regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was called to order by President Peter N. Silvestri on Monday September 20, 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 special prayers for those young men and women from our community who are overseas, and we pray for their safe and speedy return home.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Bennett to excuse Mrs. Kmiecik from the meeting due to illness. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. Forte to approve the Minutes of the 2078th Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees. 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 and Minutes of a Public Hearing held on Monday, September 13, 2010.

Mr. Bennett reported that neither the petitioner nor the Condo President (7929 W. Grand) were present at this meeting. The Clerk was in receipt of communications indicating that the Condominium Association has not come to terms on the lease agreement with the petitioner. Subsequent to that public hearing, Mrs. Sutter did send correspondence to both petitioner and the Condo Association President indicating that they need to come to an October 12th meeting.

In response to those communications, the Condominium Association President sent a letter to the Village Clerk indicating that there was a miscommunication regarding the matter and also stated that the agreement between the 7929 W. Grand Condo Association and SAC Wireless may not come to an agreement for "quite a while," and to table the issue until we receive word from their office notifying us of the agreement. Mr. Bennett asked the Village Attorney for his legal opinion on whether the special use request be terminated, or if there is a time period involved on this issue.

Attorney Durkin said that according to "Robert's Rules," the matter could be tabled only until the close of the next following session. It cannot be tabled continuously without removing it from the table and then re-tabled. Attorney Durkin suggested that the Plan, Zoning and Development Commission hold the public hearing on October 12th.

If the petitioner and Condo Association representative do not appear, then the application is void due to inaction, and the Plan, Zoning and Development Commission can recommend to the President and Board that the special use request be terminated.

Motion carried.

APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL

The Clerk presented the following applications for business licenses:

License for:	Location:	Applicant:
Sign Permit	16 Conti Parkway Elmwood Park, IL.	Antonio of Italy
Sign Permit	7504 W. Grand Elmwood Park, IL.	Bright Star
Sign Permit	1606 N. Harlem Elmwood Park, IL.	First Merit Bank
Electrical	9003 Patterson St. St. John, In.	A & J Electric
Concrete	8004-5 Rt. 23 Marengo, IL.	A & L Excavating
HVAC	1200 N. Milwaukee Glenview, IL.	ABT Electronics

Carpentry	3755 N. Pioneer Chicago, IL.	Able Construction
HVAC	720 Roof Ave. Romeoville, IL.	AllPro Mechanical Services, Inc.
Carpentry	1512 Nove Ave. Melrose Park, IL.	All Star Remodel.
Sewer	1512 Nove Ave. Melrose Park, IL.	All Star Remodel.
Electrical	124 N. Wisconsin Villa Park, IL.	Arnoldas Pelesinas
Carpentry	18-01 Pollitt Dr. Fairlawn, N.J.	BCI Communications
Remediation	1737 S. Naperville Wheaton, IL.	Clean World Engineering, ltd.
Carpentry	1346 W. Irving Pk. Bensenville, IL.	Custom Craft Exteriors
Electrical	23520 82 ND Pl. Salem, WI.	D. C. Electric
Carpentry	1129 N. Harvey Oak Park, IL.	DLC Development
Carpentry	13116 Western Ave. Blue Island, IL.	DMR Investments
Roofer	8237 S. 86 th Ct. Justice, IL.	Davis Roofing
Carpentry	9015 W. 23 rd Place North Riverside, IL.	Diameter Q's Construction
Carpentry	25772 S. Hoover Monee, IL.	Diamond Exterior Solutions
Roofer	1815 Monroe Ct. Glenview, IL.	EMA Builders
Roofer	6905 Lyons St. Morton Grove, IL.	EP New Constr.
Concrete	1920 N. Harding Chicago, IL.	Fernandez Constr.

Roofer	2911 Cherry Dr. Wonder Lake. IL.	Flat-Top Roofing
Sewer	1438 W. Garden Park Ridge, IL.	Folan Sewers & Water, Inc.
Concrete	301 S. 8 th Ave. Maywood, IL.	Guzman Concrete
Concrete	6463 N. Northwest Hwy. Chicago, IL.	I.D. Omega Const.
Drywall	6463 N. Norhwest Hwy. Chicago, IL.	I.D. Omega Const.
Landscaper	3224 Highland Ave. Berwyn, IL.	Landscaping Studio
Carpentry	3941 W. Wellington Chicago, IL.	Luis Colon Carpentry & Main.
Roofer	3637 N. 30 th Rd. Peru, IL.	Mid-Illinois Concrete Const.
Sprinklers	462 Franklin Blvd. Elgin, IL.	Moreno's Irrigation, Inc.
Concrete	2229 S. 58 th Ct. Cicero, IL.	Navarro's Concrete, Inc.
Electrical	30 E. Clarendon Prospect Hts., Il.	North Shore Energy, Inc.
Carpentry	6106 N. Springfield Chicago, IL.	PRO Design U& Build, Inc.
Electrical	2541 Forestview River Grove, IL.	Quella Constr.
Carpentry	200 N. Dearborn Chicago, IL.	Schiller Contracting Inc.
Roofer	2286 Reflections Dr. Aurora, IL.	Smart Choice Exteriors, Inc.
Carpentry	6666 N. Western Chicago, IL.	Sparkle Painting and Construction
HVAC	475 n. Maplewood Chicago, IL.	Trendline HVAC Inc.

Electrical	1831 Darrow Ave. Evanston, IL.	True Power Electric
Tuckpointing	4257 N. Olcott Norridge, IL.	Wally Tuck- Pointing
Business	7504 W. Grand Elmwood Park, IL.	Bright Star Care
Home Occupation	2028 N. 75 th Ct. Elmwood Park, IL.	Sten Cib
Home Occupation	7900 W. Bloomingdale Elmwood Park, IL.	Mr. Creativitee LLC
Landscaper	1107 N. Sacramento Chicago, IL.	Ramon Rangel Landscapers
Landscaper	3225 Highland Ave. Berwyn, IL.	Landscaping Studio

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

BILLS AND VOUCHERS

President Silvestri summarized the following Bills and Vouchers for the period ending August 31, 2010. Summary of Expenditures Approved:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

General Fund	\$ 476,770.21
Water Fund	\$ 238,040.31
Parks and Recreation Fund	\$ 30,480.92
TIF Fund	\$ 26,129.09
Emergency Telephone System Fund	\$ 54,508.00
Garbage Fund	\$ 125,000.00
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	<u>\$ 4,222.14</u>

TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 955,150.67
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PAYROLL:

General Fund

Administration	\$ 57,661.73
Code Administration	\$ 30,421.70
Police Department	\$ 233,471.48
Police Additional Pay	\$ 16,363.79
Public Works	\$ 118,049.06
Fire Department	\$ 150,147.89
Fire Additional Pay	<u>\$ 4,831.03</u>

Total General Fund	\$	610,946.68
Water Fund	\$	28,711.71
Playground & Recreation Fund	\$	65,866.55
Total Gross Payroll	\$	705,524.94
IMRF & FICA Village Portion	\$	<u>52,977.78</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR BOARD APPROVAL REPORT

\$ 1,713,653.39

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Bennett to approve the bills and vouchers for the month of August 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, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Absent: (1) Diane Kmiecik. Motion carried.

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

Meeting reconvened at 7:21 p.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEES

Mr. Forte reported that on August 24, 2010, he and Deputy Police Chief Frank Fagiano completed their Village of Forest Park Crime Free Multi-Housing, Phase I Training Program.

Mr. Forte also reported that the Garden Club planted plants around the Elmwood Park Post Office. Thanks were extended to the Public Works Department, President Joyce Murphy of the Garden Club and their members who were out there planting on the rainy morning of September 11, 2010.

President Silvestri reported that he met with the Cook County Department of Public Health. There is a grant initiative that we will be applying for. It is to cut down the amount of obesity in our schools and kids. It could include a Community Garden on some property that is available in Elmwood Park. The President reported that the grant would be applied for and of his support for a community garden.

Mr. Kaminski reported that he attended the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission on September 8th. They will request the Village to renew the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Commission within the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Bennett commented on the recent newsletter that was sent to every homeowner. It was an excellent publication because it provided a wealth of information to the residents.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Durkin reported on an item not on the agenda, although it previously appeared, were two real estate transactions that closed on September 15, 2010. The Village purchased two properties, 7221 and 7225 West Grand Avenue in the Grand and Harlem TIF District. These properties will be used for parking lots.

Also on the agenda this evening is an Ordinance to approve an Agreement for the purchase of property described as 7600 West Armitage Avenue. There is a delay in closing on that property due to a determination needed to find out if the property qualified for the national register of historic places as part of the grant approval process that the Village has undertaken. However, Mr. Durkin said that they were able to get the property owner to agree to enter into the purchase contract subject to a contingency that if the property is determined to be on the national register of historic places, then the contract would not be finalized and closed on.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Dalicandro reported that the Motor Fuel Tax 2010 road resurfacing work is scheduled to begin on September 20th, and the project completion date is twenty-five (25) days from the start date. (Twenty-five working days Monday through Friday.)

Mr. Dalicandro also reported that on the agenda this evening is a "Resolution Ratifying the Execution of Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program Subrecipient Agreement by and Between the Village of Elmwood Park, Cook County, Illinois and the County of Cook, Illinois" which needs to be passed and approved by the President and Board of Trustees.

This Grant is for Energy Efficient street lights along North Avenue.

PRESIDENT' S REPORT

President Silvestri reported that last Saturday the Arts were celebrated in Elmwood Park. There were approximately 35 vendors and there was entertainment all day long. It was very well attended.

President Silvestri thanked the committee who consisted of Rose Biancalana, Fire Chief Mike Marino, Public Works Director Peter Terzo, Maureen Burd, Cindi Stazzone, Dominic Clemente, Marge Wewing, and Library Director Shawn Strecker

President Silvestri received a letter from the Parish Council of St. Celestine thanking the Board and public works staff for the use of the street sweeper after their annual barbeque.

A plaque was received from the U S. Census Bureau commending the Village and people of Elmwood Park for the Census 2010 results.

On Thursday, September 16, 2010 the Village of Elmwood Park was honored at Triton College as part of their Community Honoring Program. President Silvestri thanked the Trustees, Mrs. Sutter and the many employees and residents who attended. It was a very nice event held at the Botanical Gardens outdoors and very well done. The award was judged on quality of life issues in the community and they honored the Village and School District. Thanks and appreciation was extended to Triton College.

President Silvestri, Trustee Bennett, Deputy Chief Fagiano and Commander Pisciotto and some policemen, attended the open house at the Elmwood Park Bible Church. It was a very nice event.

On September 11th, President Silvestri attended the Homecoming Day for the Elmwood Park Rush Football Team, and thanks to our Police and Fire Departments it was a very nice ceremony. Also, thanks to Mrs. Patty Stranski who was instrumental in setting this up. Thanks were also extended to the Rush program for the wonderful job that they do.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Pastor Otis Davis, Repairer of the Breach Ministries requesting permission to solicit at intersections of Harlem and North and Harlem and Grand on October 4th, 5th, and 6, 2010.

A motion was made by Mr. Forte and seconded by Mr. Sargent to protect the first amendment and grant permission to the Repairer of the Breach Ministries to solicit subject to receipt by the Village Manager of an updated letter from the Illinois Attorney General.

Attorney Durkin directed the Village Clerk to contact the organization and request an updated letter from the Office of the Attorney General. The one they submitted was dated January 9, 2009 and there should be one for the year 2010.

Permission will be granted subject to receiving an updated letter from the Office of the Attorney General as to their religious exemption. Motion carried.

A letter from Paul Giuliano of the St. Rocco Society based at St. Williams Church, thanking the Village and Police Department for their assistance during the procession and feast. Informational. No Board action required.

A letter from the Create Program in response to an inquiry regarding a proposed grade separation of Grand Avenue and the Metra Milwaukee District West/Canadian Pacific railroad. Studies were considered however the Grand Avenue crossing was not included in the program. The Create partners will remain committed to working for the safety of the residents of Elmwood Park and all motorists who travel along Grand Avenue. Informational. No Board action required.

A letter from Kathleen L. Mizejewski with reference to a proclamation to support American Payroll Week. In his capacity as President of Elmwood Park President Silvestri proclaimed the first full week of September as National Payroll Week.

A letter from Lion Mitch Kaiser, Mont Clare Elmwood Park Lions Club requesting permission to hold a Candy Day on October 8th and 9th, 2010, and solicit donations on the corners of North and Harlem, Grand and Harlem and Grand and 75th Avenue. They will also be at Caputo's, Super Low and at the Metra train station.

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

A letter from Christine Radogno and Tom Cross, Senate and House Republican Leaders with reference to opposition to tap into Motor Fuel Tax funds to cover State operating expenses. Informational. No Board action required.

RESOLUTIONS

A Resolution Approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Village of Elmwood Park and the Elmwood Park Firefighters Association.

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

President Silvestri commended Mr. Durkin and Mr. Dalicandro, Chief Marino and members of the Elmwood Park Firefighters Association who worked on negotiating this challenging agreement. It shows that we want to work with everyone to make sure that our Village is well-protected and well-served and that the taxpayers are well represented.

On roll call the following voted "Aye": Sam LaBarbera, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Absent: (1) Diane Kmiecik. Motion carried.

A Resolution Ratifying the Execution of Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program Subrecipient Agreement by and Between the Village of Elmwood Park, Cook County, Illinois and the County of Cook, Illinois (Energy Efficiency Retrofit Project).

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

President Silvestri asked permission to abstain from the voting on the above Resolution.

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. Forte to allow the President to abstain from voting on this Resolution. Motion carried.

The maker and seconder of the motion agreed to amend the original motion to allow the Village Manager to sign the Resolution.

A motion was made to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program Subrecipient Agreement by and Between The Village of Elmwood Park, Cook County, Illinois and the County of Cook, Illinois (Energy Efficiency Retrofit Project) as amended.

On roll call the following voted "Aye": Sam LaBarbera, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski and Alan Bennett. Abstain: (1) President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Absent (1) Diane Kmiecik. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

An Ordinance Amending Section 5A-2 of the Code of the Village of Elmwood Park Regarding Membership in the Arts, Humanities and Special Events Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Sargent 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. Absent: (1) Diane Kmiecik. Motion carried.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the Property Commonly Described as 7600 West Armitage Avenue, Elmwood Park, 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, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Absent: (1) Diane Kmiecik. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Kaminski announced that Friday, October 1, 2010 is the High School Homecoming.

The Car Show will be held on Saturday, October 2, 2010.

There being business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Sargent and 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, October 4, 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie Sutter,
Village Clerk

