

**THE 2123<sup>RD</sup> REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK**

The 2123<sup>rd</sup> regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was called to order by Village President Peter Silvestri on Monday, December 3, 2012 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 those in Afghanistan and Iraq and we pray for their speedy return home.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Sargent to approve the Minutes of the President and Board of Trustees Meeting held on Monday, November 19, 2012. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Fang and seconded by Mr. Forte to receive and file Minutes of the "Keep Elmwood Park Beautiful Committee meeting held on Tuesday November 13, 2012 and Minutes of the Traffic and Safety Committee Meeting held on Thursday, November 29, 2012. 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	7334 W. Diversey Elmwood Park, IL.	Mirna Hair Design

Carpentry	7525 Keefer Skokie, IL.	Andy's Custom Gutters, Inc.
Roofer	8714 Oakwood Village of Lakewood, IL	Authentic Homes
Electrical	5033 W. Briar Tree Burbank, IL.	HDS Electric
Carpentry	856 W. Wood Palatine, IL.	R.M. Landscape & Brick Pavers
Concrete	856 W. Wood Palatine, IL.	R.M. Landscape & Brick Pavers
Carpentry	5504 W. Sunnyside Chicago, IL.	Richmax Construction
Fence	6645 W. 99 <sup>th</sup> St. Chicago Ridge, IL.	Ridge Fence Supply
Electrical	10395 U.S. Hwy. 34 Yorkville, IL.	Verne Henne

A motion was made by Mr. Sargent and seconded by Mrs. Stranges 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, 2012. Summary of Expenditures Approved:

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

General Fund	\$ 432,829.45
Water Fund	\$ 387,202.93
Parks and Recreation Fund	\$ 38,771.95
TIF Fund	\$ 9,130.92
Garbage Fund	\$ 148,950.00
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	\$ 12,672.50
Special Events/Fest Fund	\$ 2,200.00
Special Deposit Fund	<u>\$ 3,718.50</u>

<b>TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</b>	<b>\$ 1,015,476.25</b>
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**PAYROLL:**

**General Fund**

Administration	\$	59,153.01
Code Administration	\$	31,469.38
Police Department	\$	240,191.91
Police Additional Pay	\$	46,703.18
Public Works	\$	80,801.04
Fire Department	\$	220,254.78
Fire Additional Pay	\$	8,843.10
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>687,416.40</b>

Water Fund	\$	25,782.25
Playground & Recreation Fund	\$	28,044.00
<b>Total Gross Payroll</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>741,242.65</b>

IMRF & FICA Village Portion	\$	<u>48,982.40</u>
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**TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR BOARD APPROVAL REPORT**

**\$ 1,805,701.30**

A motion was made by Mr. Fang and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to approve the bills and vouchers for the month of November, 2012, 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, Angela Stranges, Carmen Forte, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Al Fang and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Motion carried.

**Recognition:**

At this time the President recognized Mr. Matt Elmore of Energy Impact Illinois who gave a presentation on helping Elmwood Park homeowners increase the comfort of their homes by taking advantage of a \$49.00 whole home energy analysis and for a limited time, homeowners can save 70%, up to \$1,750.00 off the most cost effective and permanent energy efficiency improvements for insulation and air sealing.

The President thanked Mr. Elmore for his fine presentation.

Next, the President recognized the 2012 Elmwood Park High School Tigers football conference champions and state qualifiers and their coaching staff.

Certificates of Recognition were presented to the following:

Head Coach: Luis Arroyo

Assistants: John Freeman, Zander DiGrino, Tony Sylvester, Gabe Ostrander, Mario Fiorito, Tim Murmann, Dwayne French, Alan Seaborg and Bobby Adamo.

Players:

James Angelico, Isaiah Arce, John Batula, David Benavidez, Geno Cadetto, Guiseppe Camaci, Mitch Cervantes, Aaron Cook, Julio Diaz, Rocco Fanella, Jessie Galioto, Jack Glodzik, Jimmy Gonzalez, Timmy Hagen, Jose Huamanchumo, Kevin Kerschhackl, Patrick McNulty, Paul Mika, Diego Morales, Rey Morales, Connor Murphy, Dariusz Radlinski, Chad Ramiro, Richie Runyon, Brian Sama, Carlos Sandoval, Mike Tinajero, Chris Valadez, Trent Woods.

Congratulations were extended to the coaches and team for their fine work and dedication.

There were no public comments at this time.

#### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEES**

Mr. Sargent reported on the Elmwood Park Youth Commission activities. There will be a dance on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at the Parks and Recreation Center for 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Basketball has started with over 200 participants. Ice skating will also begin. The Elmwood Park Youth Commission Cheerleaders started their competition season on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> and came in second place. Congratulations were extended.

#### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Durkin summarized the Ordinance on the agenda with reference to the acquisition of the property commonly described as 7209 West Grand Avenue (Maroons Building).

## **MANAGER' S REPORT**

Mr. Volpe reported on several items such as the enhanced snow removal program for senior citizens and disabled residents, the enhanced Home Flood Proofing Assistance Program, the opening of the Hockey Rink and installation of the Ice Skating Rink.

Mr. Volpe reported further on the Assignment of a Contract and Post-closing lease for 7209 West Grand Avenue. On October 23, 2012, the Maroon's general membership approved a contract for sale of this property to 7200 Harlem, LLC or its nominee for \$375,000. 7200 Harlem, LLC has agreed to assign the sales contract to the Village. If approved by the Board, we will seek to close on the sales transaction in early January. The Village will use available funds in the Grand and Harlem TIF to purchase this property.

Lastly, the Village is obtaining a bus from Pace. This bus will begin offering rides to senior citizens, disabled residents and those with special needs.

There is much activity going on at Grand and Harlem. The concrete has been poured and we are making great progress since the weather has been good. Also, much progress on the demolition of the church at 76<sup>th</sup> and Armitage.

The traffic light at 76<sup>th</sup> and Grand was completed today.

## **PRESIDENT' S REPORT**

President Silvestri reported that Mr. Volpe has been here for six months and has done an exemplary job in his position as Village Manager. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Volpe for his fine work.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

A letter from Thomas H. Powers, Commissioner of the Department of Water Management, City of Chicago, informing the Village that water rates will increase 15% effective January 1, 2013 (\$2.88 per 1,000 gallons) (increase of \$0.37). As the Board promised that rate will not be passed to the consumer.

A letter from President Silvestri on the recommendation of the appointment of Angela Stranges as liaison to the "Keep Elmwood Park Beautiful" committee.

President Silvestri asked the advice and consent of the Board on the above recommendation.

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Sargent to concur with the advice and consent of the President on the appointment of Trustee Angela Stranges as liaison to the "Keep Elmwood Park Beautiful Committee." Motion carried.

A Proclamation to be included into record is a proclamation on "National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month December 2012"

In his capacity as Village President, President Silvestri proclaimed December 2012 as Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month in the Village of Elmwood Park and do hereby call upon all citizens, government agencies, business leaders, hospitals and health care providers, schools and public and private institutions to promote awareness of the impaired driving problem, to support programs and policies to reduce the incidence of impaired driving, and to promote safer and healthier behaviors regarding the use of alcohol and other drugs this December holiday season and throughout the year.

A letter from Orion Galey, Christopher B. Burke Engineering recommending the award to the lowest bidder for the Centennial Park Development Project. This will be acted upon under order of New Business.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Grant Agreement with Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation.

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

Attorney Durkin informed the Board that this grant will be going to bid on or about December 20<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried.

A Resolution Approving the Guidelines for the Snow Removal Assistance Program for Senior Citizens and Disabled Residents of the Village of Elmwood Park.

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

A Resolution Amending the Home Flood Proofing Assistance Program for the Village of Elmwood Park.

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

### **ORDINANCES**

An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2012 and Ending April 30, 2013 of the Village of Elmwood Park, County of Cook, State of Illinois.

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

The amount levied is \$11,612,117.00 which is a 5.3 per cent decrease from prior year.

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

An Ordinance Authorizing and Approving Execution of An Assignment and Assumption of a Contract for the Acquisition of the Property Commonly Described as 7209 West Grand Avenue, Elmwood Park, Illinois.

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Fang to approve the above Ordinance.

Attorney Durkin said that the Assignment contained a month-to-month lease that was substituted with a different copy of the lease provision was given to the Board this evening. The changes in that lease is paragraph 13 and 14 which provides that the Lessor (Village) provide ninety days notice to terminate the month-to-month tenancy whereas the Lessee has to provide the Village thirty days.

As maker of the motion Mr. Kaminski, and seconded by Mr. Fang to accept the change and amend the month-to-month lease term on the above Ordinance.

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

## OLD BUSINESS

A letter of recommendation from the Elmwood Park Traffic and Safety Commission from a meeting held on November 29, 2012. There are two recommendations:

1. Install two-hour parking from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on North Avenue from 74<sup>th</sup> Ct. to 76<sup>th</sup> Avenue on a trial basis.
2. Install two-hour parking from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and no overnight parking after 2" of snow for all diagonal spaces from 74<sup>th</sup> Ct. to 75<sup>th</sup> Ct. on a trial basis.

A motion was made by Mr. Forte and seconded by Mr. Fang to concur with the above recommendations.

Mr. Volpe said that the two-hour restriction for North Avenue and for the diagonal parking as well as the no overnight parking after 2" of snow for all diagonal spaces should be coupled with the recommendation that was initially deferred for resident only parking on the east side of 75<sup>th</sup> Court. He recommends that the motion include this amendment.

Mr. Forte moved to amend the motion to include resident only parking restrictions on the east side of 75<sup>th</sup> Court from the alley north of North Avenue to Wabansia. Seconded by Mr. Fang. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Forte and seconded by Mr. Fang to concur with the recommendations of the Traffic and Safety Commission with the additional amendment with respect to parking restrictions on the east side of 75<sup>th</sup> Court. Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mr. Forte and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to concur with the Engineer's recommendation to award the bid for the Centennial Park Development Project to the lowest bidder, Copenhaver Construction in the amount of \$269,043.00. This amount is less than the engineer's estimate.

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



On behalf of the Board and the administration and the employees of the Village of Elmwood Park, President Silvestri extended best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

In light of the holiday spirit, President Silvestri announced that the December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting will be canceled in order to prepare for the holidays.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The next meeting of the President and Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, January 7, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie Sutter  
Village Clerk