

**THE 2105<sup>th</sup> REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTES  
VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK**

The 2105<sup>th</sup> regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was called to order by President Peter Silvestri on Monday, February 6, 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 who are serving our Armed Forces, around the World, especially those in Iraq and Afghanistan and pray for their speedy and safe return home.

A moment of silence was also taken in remembrance of a fine young man, Mike Uvelli who was involved in many community sports related organizations. He passed away suddenly last week. May he rest in peace.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to excuse Mr. Forte from the meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. Sargent to approve the Minutes of the President and Board of Trustees Meeting, and Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, January 17, 2012. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Sargent and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to receive and file Minutes of the Fire and Police Commission Meeting held on Tuesday, December 6, 2011, and Thursday, January 5, 2012, and Minutes of the Elmwood Park Traffic and Safety Commission Meeting held on Tuesday, January 10, 2012. Motion carried

**APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL**

The Clerk presented the following applications for business Licenses:

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|-----------------|---|--|
| Genl. Carpentry | 2128 Louis<br>Melrose Park, IL.               | Ambiance<br>Restorations                   |
| Carpentry       | 1917 W. 103 <sup>rd</sup> St.<br>Chicago, IL. | Beverly<br>Kitchen<br>and Bath, LLC        |
| Masonry         | 1920 Riverwood Dr.<br>Algonquin, IL.          | Corral Constr.                             |
| Electrical      | 701 Fargo Ave.<br>Elk Grove Village, IL.      | Crosstown<br>Electric                      |
| Concrete        | 40W660 Denali<br>Elburn, IL.                  | Custom<br>Concrete                         |
| Concrete/Elec.  | 2016 W. Erie St.<br>Chicago, IL.              | JRF<br>Construction                        |
| HVAC            | 5501 w. 23 <sup>RD</sup> Place<br>Cicero, IL. | Herrera's Air<br>Conditioning &<br>Heating |
| Bath Remodeling | 8724 45 <sup>th</sup> Place<br>Lyons, Il.     | Luxury Bath<br>Mobility<br>Remodelers      |
| HVAC            | 6257 S. Archer<br>Summit, IL.                 | Perfect<br>Solutions<br>Heating            |

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|-----------------|--|---------------------------|
| Carpentry       | 8309 S. Mansfield<br>Burbank, IL.                  | Services 4 All<br>Seasons |
| Electrical      | 8309 S. Mansfield<br>Burbank, IL.                  | Services 4 All<br>Seasons |
| Masonry         | 8309 S. Mansfield<br>Burbank, IL.                  | Services 4 All<br>Seasons |
| Electrical      | 4330 Lawndale<br>Lyons, IL.                        | West Town<br>Elec.        |
| Electrical      | 5006 N. Leonard Dr.<br>Norridge, IL.               | Zone Electric             |
| Home Occupation | 2732 N. 74 <sup>th</sup> Ave.<br>Elmwood Park, IL. | VLA Deliveries            |
| Scavenger       | 4624 W. Deming<br>Chicago, IL.                     | Soto Junker               |

A motion was made by Mrs. Stranges 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 January 2012. Summary of Expenditures Approved:

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

|                                 |           |                   |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| General Fund                    | \$        | 328,607.93        |
| Water Fund                      | \$        | 294,100.53        |
| Parks and Recreation Fund       | \$        | 18,016.85         |
| TIF Fund                        | \$        | 6,000.00          |
| Special Events/Fest Fund        | \$        | 6,285.00          |
| Garbage Fund                    | \$        | 138,950.00        |
| New Capital Projects            | \$        | 63,168.38         |
| Emergency Telephone System Fund | \$        | <u>58,627.42</u>  |
| <b>TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</b>   | <b>\$</b> | <b>913,756.11</b> |

**PAYROLL:**

**General Fund**

|                       |    |                 |
|-----------------------|----|-----------------|
| Administration        | \$ | 58,968.09       |
| Code Administration   | \$ | 28,067.04       |
| Police Department     | \$ | 225,415.49      |
| Police Additional Pay | \$ | 49,954.14       |
| Public Works          | \$ | 96,827.31       |
| Fire Department       | \$ | 167,144.50      |
| Fire Additional Pay   | \$ | <u>9,922.83</u> |

**Total General Fund** \$ **636,299.40**

|                              |    |                  |
|------------------------------|----|------------------|
| Water Fund                   | \$ | 23,383.45        |
| Playground & Recreation Fund | \$ | <u>28,375.00</u> |

**Total Gross Payroll** \$ **688,057.85**

IMRF & FICA Village Portion \$ 49,308.82

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR BOARD APPROVAL REPORT**

**\$ 1,651,122.78**

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Bennett to approve the bills and vouchers for the month of January 31, 2012 and authorize execution by the President for payment.

Mr. Kaminski reported that the Finance Committee met at 6:30 p.m. and reviewed the bills and vouchers for January 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, Jeff Sargent, Alan Kaminski, Alan Bennett and President Peter Silvestri. "Nays": None. Absent: (1) Carmen Forte. Motion carried.

At this time President Silvestri announced that there would be recognition and special tribute to various people who have recently achieved great things.

First, recognition of the Holiday Decorated Homes was announced:

Two Southside Residential Winners:

|                     |                               |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Macchione Residence | Storckis Residence            |
| 1830 N. 73rd Ct.    | 2046 N, 75 <sup>th</sup> Ave. |

Two Northside Residential Winners:

|                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Mondelli Residence | Contoravdis Residence |
| 7841 Schubert      | 7908 Fletcher         |

Southside Block Winners - 1900 Block of 74<sup>th</sup> Court  
Northside Block Winners - 3100 Block of 78<sup>th</sup> Court

Each winner was presented with a gift certificate donated by the following establishments: Spizzico's Pizza on North Avenue, Lo-Lo's Restaurant on Diversey Avenue and New Star Restaurant on North Avenue.

Congratulations were extended to the winners for their fine work.

Next, President Silvestri recognized the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ladies Celtics of St. Celestine's School. Certificates of Achievement were presented to these young women on the IESA State Basketball Championship by defeating the Monroe School of Bartonville, Illinois. This team has been undefeated since 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. Head Coach: John McKenna and Assistant Coach Jorge Diaz. Team: Judi Aldape, Kaitlin Aylward, Jennifer Caravjal, Desiree Diaz, Shannon Faherty, Emily McCarthy, Sarah McKee, Annie McKenna, Vicky Nega and Elizabeth Ptack. All these girls are also on the honor roll.

Present Silvestri commended St. Celestine's for the fine job they do in educating young men and women. Congratulations were extended to the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ladies Celtics, Principal Jeanine Rocchi, and the staff at St. Celestine's.

Lastly, two young men who have distinguished themselves as the Spelling Bee Champion and back-up Champion for District 401 and will be moving up to the next phase.

Second place winner was Ivan Popov, 5<sup>th</sup> Grader from John Mills. His word was "isthmus."

First place winner was Max DiFrisco, 5<sup>th</sup> Grader from Elmwood School. His word was "vicious."

Gifts were presented to each winner.

The Principal of John Mills School, Mr. Peter Herbert and the Principal of Elmwood School, Mrs. Sue Ponzio were announced and congratulated.

Public comments at 7:15 p.m.

Anthony DelSanto  
2203 74<sup>th</sup> Court

As President of the St. Celestine's School Board, Mr. Del Santo requested permission from President Silvestri and the Board to circulate a poster indicating the championship of the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ladies Celtics to all the surrounding businesses. Permission was granted.

Elvis Hernandez  
2146 73<sup>rd</sup> Court

Commented on a recent bank robbery.

Elaine Lim  
2643 N. 78<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Commented on a communications contract, City of Chicago water rates, lower electric bills, a dog attack, and train whistles.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEES

Village Clerk Sutter reported that Early voting for the March 20<sup>th</sup> Primary Election will be held at Village Hall, 3rd floor. beginning on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, March 15, 2012. Hours - Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Mrs. Stranges, as liaison to the School Board, reported that there will be an upcoming event in March called "Science Alive." Everyone is invited to attend and free to the public.

The Illinois Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, an agency of the Department of Defense, recognized Triton College Police Chief Jeff Sargent for continued support of the men and women in uniform and their families, and support the employment of guardsmen, reservists and veterans.

Mr. Bennett reported that the Plan, Zoning and Development Commission will hold a special use hearing on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> on a medical laboratory on 75<sup>th</sup> Court and Diversey.

Also, Mr. Bennett reported that he and Village Manager Dalicandro are working together in conjunction with the CMAP consultants to prepare the current condition statement. Also arrangements are being made to schedule a second public hearing to be conducted by CMAP, for residents to give their input on future plans for the Village.

## ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Durkin reported on the Resolution that is on this evening's agenda.

Previously, an agreement was approved with Pace regarding providing certain vehicles to the Village. Part of that agreement, Pace has their own drug and alcohol testing plan and policy for the drivers and any mechanics that work on that equipment, and require the Village of Elmwood Park to adopt what they title their System Security and Emergency Preparedness Plan. Both of those items, subject to this Resolution, the Policy and Plan documents were not attached due to the number of pages (in excess of 100 pages) but are available in the Clerk's office.

### **MANAGER' S REPORT**

Mr. Dalicandro reported that Leyden Township is interested in a two-year agreement with Clarke Environmental for mosquito abatement services for the years 2012 and 2013. The township will pay for four (4) annual area truck sprays. Any additional sprays will be the Village of Elmwood Park's responsibility to pay. The township is looking for written directions allowing Clarke to provide these services.

Mr. Dalicandro also reported that appearing on the March 20, 2012 ballot will be a referendum regarding the Village's aggregation of residential Commonwealth Edison accounts. This referendum would allow the Village of Elmwood Park to see competitive quotes for resident power costs. Informational material is now available for residents to learn more about this process. This material is available on-line as well as at the front desk at the Village Hall.

### **PRESIDENT' S REPORT**

President Silvestri reported that he has been in contact with Congressman Quigley's office to get the names of soldiers who came from Elmwood Park since World War I who died in that war. Their names will be added to some type marker at the Veterans Memorial once those names are secured.

The President also reported that he is working with Leyden Township on the Memorial Wall at Leyden Township and the Village has nominated Nick Daniels who was just killed in Afghanistan as one of our Elmwood Park residents who we want to see on the wall.

The Village of Elmwood Park has launched a new iPhone app to give residents another tool to stay informed and up to date on what is happening in their community.

Lastly President Silvestri. Chairman of the Legislative Committee said he attended the West Central Municipal Conference meeting in Rosemont. There were approximately 200 trustees, mayors, village presidents and township supervisors who met to talk about funding and combined programs in the State/Legislature and U, S. Congress.



The Village of Elmwood Park made a purchase of an ice skating rink this year. It will be at Bambi Park, 74<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Diversey and will be available to the residents, subject to weather conditions.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A motion was made by Mr. Kaminski and seconded by Mr. Sargent to ratify the Proclamation by President Silvestri proclaiming congratulations and accolades of the Board of Trustees and of the people of Elmwood Park on the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ladies Celtics of St. Celestine's School, State IESA Champions. Motion carried

A letter from Michelle Ptak, Service Unit Manager of the Girl Scout Service Unit 401 requesting permission to host a "Promise Circle" using the sidewalk around the inner circle on March 12, 2012 at 7:12 p.m.

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

A letter from Laurie Shaw, Vice Pres. Athletic Booster Club, Elmwood Park High School requesting permission to hold a Tiger Tear 5K Run/Walk on Sunday, May 20, 2012.

A motion was made by Mr. Bennett and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to grant permission to the above request, Motion carried.

A letter from Connie Tischauser, Benefits Director at Leyden Family Services informing the Village that they will help residents to apply for benefits offering free assistance to individuals applying for Medicaid, Medicare, and Social Security benefits. Informational. No Board action required.

A letter from President Silvestri with reference to 2012 Farmer's Market days in Elmwood Park. The Farmer's Market will be held once in May, twice per month from June to October. Meredith Conn, former Oak Park Farmer's Market Director and Nutrition Professor at Dominican University will once again coordinate the Market. Informational. No Board action required.

A note from Sister Johanna Treme of St. Celestine's Parish thanking President Silvestri for the food donations that were sent to the Alvernia Food Pantry at St. Celestine's Parish. Informational. No Board action required.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

A Resolution Adopting a Drug and Alcohol Policy and Testing Program for Providers Providing Transit Service To Pace, and Adopting the Pace System Security and Emergency Preparedness Plan (SSEPP)

Copy of the Drug and Alcohol Policy and Testing Program and System Security and Emergency Preparedness Plan is not attached to the Resolution due to the length in nature. It is available for viewing in the Village Clerk's office.

A motion was made by Mr. Sargent and seconded by Mr. Kaminski to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried.

### **ORDINANCES**

None.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Bennett informed the Board and residents that the Village of Elmwood Park website now has a new software application package that will allow homeowners to conduct an energy audit and determine any deficiencies that their homes have, and determine how you can save money on your energy bills. It also has a listing of certified contractors that you can deal with to perform remedial services. This was developed by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning and conducted with federal grant monies that CMAP received for this project.

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

The President wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and President's Day.

The next meeting of the President and Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, March 5, 2012. There will be no meeting held on February 20<sup>th</sup> in observance of President's Day.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie Sutter  
Village Clerk