

**VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JANUARY 3, 2023**

Call to Order

President Patel called the Regular Meeting of the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees to order at 7:37 P.M. Tuesday, January 3, 2023, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex at 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue, Village of Lincolnwood, County of Cook, and State of Illinois.

Pledge to the Flag

Trustee Klatzco led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

On roll call by Village Clerk Beryl Herman, the following were:

Present: President Patel, Trustees Sargon, Klatzco, Saleem, Halevi, Martel

Absent: Diaz-Herrera

A quorum was present.

Also present: Village Manager Anne Marie Gaura, Assistant Village Manager Charles Meyer, Public Works Director Nadim Badran, Community Development Director Scott Mangum, Fire Chief Barry Liss, Finance Director Denise Joseph, Assistant to the Village Manager Lamar Jones, Police Chief Jason Parrott, and Village Attorney Steven Elrod.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the December 20, 2022, Village Board meetings were presented for Village Board approval.

Trustee Sargon moved to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2022, Village Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Klatzco.

Upon roll call, the results were:

AYES: Trustees Sargon, Klatzco, Saleem, Halevi, Martel

NAYS: None

The minutes were approved.

Warrant Approval

Trustee Klatzco presented the warrants in the amount of \$553,411.37 and moved to approve. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sargon.

Upon roll call, the results were:

AYES: Trustees Sargon, Klatzco, Saleem, Halevi, Martel

NAYS: None

The motion passed

President's Report

Mayor Patel stated that the artwork featured in Village Hall is the work of Village resident Dan Wickum. The exhibit is called "Following the Tracks". He stated that Mr. Wickum has a wonderful display at Village Hall and urged residents to come and look at the artwork.

He noted that this is the first year of the Pilot Sidewalk Snow Removal Program. The program goes into effect when there are 2 inches or more of snow. The Village has purchased specialized snow removal equipment and is currently testing the equipment during snow events. The sidewalks that are part of the program include Crawford Avenue between Pratt and Touhy Avenues, the Southside of Touhy Avenue from Lincoln Avenue to Cicero Avenue, Lincoln Avenue from Crawford Avenue to Touhy Avenue, and Pratt Avenue from McCormick Boulevard to Central Avenue.

Mayor Patel stated that he is hopeful for a great pilot year and potential future expansion to other areas of the Village.

He urged the community to assist their elderly neighbors after snowfall by bringing in their garbage totters from the curb and clearing a path from their homes to their vehicles.

He noted that the Village is looking for volunteers to participate in the Rescue Rangers program and to reach out to Carrie Dick at 847-745-4717 or email at cdick@lwd.org.

The Mayor wished the Orthodox community a Merry Christmas.

Village Trustees' Report

Trustee Klatzco stated that local area hospitals are in need of blood donations. He urged residents to donate blood to the American Red Cross.

Trustee Sargon stated that there is a Plan Commission meeting on January 4, 2023, for residents interested in attending. She wished everyone a happy Orthodox Christmas.

Trustee Haveli stated that she experienced a power outage during the Christmas holiday. Fortunately, she was able to go to a friend's home to stay warm. She asked staff whether the Village has a detailed power grid because having one would be very helpful to identify if there are certain problems in parts of the Village.

Village Manager Anne Marie Gaura stated that the Village receives the same information as the public gets in regard to power outages.

Director Badran stated that ComEd makes its outage map available on its website to the public. He noted that the map provides status updates on outages, impacted residences and restoration times.

Village Manager Gaura stated that we will have Director Badran speak to ComEd to improve communication

Trustee Saleem requested that staff post the ComEd outage link on the Village website.

Boards and Commissions Report

Already addressed

Village Clerk's Report

Village Clerk Beryl Herman stated that residents should call the Village Clerk's Office if they are interested in registering to vote. She stated that if someone is unable to come to the Clerk's Office or access the online form, someone can come to your home and register you.

Village Manager's Report

Village Manager Gaura stated that there was a power outage in the afternoon in the vicinity of 4545 West Touhy Avenue that was caused by a lightning strike. She noted that ComEd is aware of the outage and is working to restore power. She stated that the Village activated its warming centers on December 22 through the morning of December 26. Village Manager Gaura noted that going forward, the Village will post information on warming centers on the Village cable channel and the reverse 911 system. Furthermore, she stated that residents could call the Village's non-emergency number to get information regarding the warming center. She urged residents to register to the reverse 911 system.

Public Forum

Barbara Krantz and Patricia Cora spoke against the sale of wild animals in the Village.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of a Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 700
2. Approval of a Resolution Approving a Two-Month Extension of a Contract with Best Quality Cleaning, Inc. of Franklin Park, Illinois, for Janitorial Services

Prior to a motion being entered, the Mayor stated that there was a question about the Agreement with Teamsters but noted that it did not need to be removed from the Consent Agenda as it was a scrivener's error with a small impact on the Village.

Trustee Sargon motioned to approve Consent Agenda as presented. Trustee Saleem seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call, the results were:

AYES: Trustees Klatzco, Saleem, Halevi, Sargon, Martel

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

Regular Business

3. Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Change Order to the Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd.

Public Works Director Nadim Badran stated that CBBEL submitted a new pricing structure inclusive of the 24% increase compared to the 2014 rates. Furthermore, the structure continues to include a greater class of employees for the utilization of lower-tier employees when necessary to reduce costs. Director Badran stated that the rate structure is now effectively lower than the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) audited rate. He stated that projects utilizing federal funding would continue to require the use of the IDOT rate. He noted that the retainer amount remains at \$108,000 a year. Any overage above 16 hours per week will be billed per the new capital rate structure. Finally, any projects utilizing the new rate exceeding \$20,000 will continue to require approval from the Village Board on a case-by-case basis. Director Badran stated that staff recommends approving the change order effectuating the increased rates.

Trustee Saleem moved to approve the Resolution. Trustee Sargon seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call, the Results were:

AYES: Trustees Klatzco, Saleem, Halevi, Sargon, Martel

NAYS: None

The motion passed

4. Consideration of a Resolution Amending the Village's Personnel Manual

Assistant to the Village Manager Lamar Jones stated that at the December 20 Committee of the Whole Meeting, the Village Board approved the revisions to the Personnel Manual and directed staff to present a more competitive vacation schedule than the last proposal.

Mr. Jones stated that staff continued to research comparable communities, including the City of Chicago. In addition to vacation time, staff researched the number of Holidays/Personal days offered by comparable communities and found that there are no additional adjustments that need to be made. Mr. Jones stated that staff recommends changes to the proposed schedule that would reduce the years of service at each tier by a year. By making the change, the Village would be ahead of comparable communities.

A motion was made by Trustee Sargon to approve the Resolution. Second by Trustee Martel.

AYES: Trustees Klatzco, Saleem, Halevi, Sargon, Martel

NAYS: None

Absent: Diaz-Herrera

The motion passed.

Public Forum

Non-residents Amanda Solon and Ismael Perez, Joseph Derose, and Jodie Weidekehr spoke against the sale of wild animals in the Village.

Closed Session

At 8:19 pm, Trustee Sargon made a motion to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing employment matters and the review of closed session meeting minutes. Trustee Klatzco seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by Roll Call and the Board adjourned to closed session.

The Board reconvened to open session at 9:52 P.M.

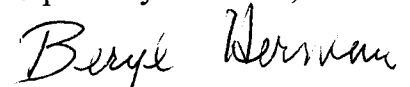
Adjournment

At 9:52 P.M., Mayor Patel called for adjournment of the Regular Village Board meeting.

Trustee Sargon moved to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Klatzco.

The meeting was adjourned by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Beryl Herman
Village Clerk