

**VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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JANUARY 18, 2022**

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Before the start of the meeting the Village President read the following into the record: Pursuant to recently adopted amendments to the Illinois Open Meetings Act included in Public Act 101-640, public bodies may, in certain circumstances, hold entirely virtual public meetings without a quorum physically present in any one location.

On May 29, 2020, Governor Pritzker issued a Disaster Proclamation that declared in-person attendance at public meetings of more than ten people at the regular public meeting location to be infeasible, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as amended by Public Act 101-640.

In accordance with the Governor's Disaster Proclamation and the Village President's Declaration of Emergency and Determination regarding meetings of the Villages Board of Trustees, I, Jesal Patel President of the Village board, do hereby determine that in-person meetings of the Village Board are not practical or prudent at this time and until further notice.

Call to Order

President Patel called the Regular Meeting of the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees to order at 7:45 P.M. Tuesday, January 18, 2022, 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

The Corporate Authorities and all persons in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance led by Trustee Klatzco.

Roll Call

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

Present: Mayor Patel, Trustees Herrera, Klatzco, Sargon, Saleem, Halevi, and Martel

A quorum was present.

Also present Anne Marie Gaura, Village Manager; John Bogue, Assistant to the Village Manager; Via Go-To-Meeting Chuck Meyer, Assistant Village Manager; Jay Parrott, Police Chief; Denise Joseph, Finance Director; Steven Elrod, Village Attorney; Scott Magnum, Community Development Director

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the December 21, 2021 and the January 4, 2022 Village Board meeting were presented at the Village Board meeting for Village Board approval.

Trustee Sargon made a motion to approve the minutes of December 21, 2021 and the January 4, 2022, seconded by Trustee Klatzco

Upon Roll Call the results were:

Ayes: Trustees Herrera, Klatzco, Sargon, Saleem, Halevi, Martel

Nays: None

Minutes Approved

Warrant Approval

Trustee Klatzco presented the warrants in the amount of \$602,749.95 and moved to approve the warrants. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sargon.

Upon roll call the results were:

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

NAYS: None

The motion passed

President's Report

1. Mayor Patel wished Village Clerk Herman a belated Happy Birthday.
2. Mayor Patel announced his intent to appoint Najia Ahmed as Chair of the Environmental Commission, effective until December 31, 2022

Motion was made by Trustee Sargon to consent to the appointment of Najia Ahmed as Chair to the Environmental Commission until December 31, 2022, seconded by Trustee Saleem.

Upon roll call the results were:

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

NAYS: None

The motion passed

3. Mayor Patel shared a commemoration of Martin Luther King, Jr. in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. He shared quotes from Dr. King and stated that we, as Americans should never forget his teachings.

Village Trustees' Report

Trustee Sargon shared that the Environmental Commission is meeting Monday, January 24 at 7:00 p.m. She also provided a COVID-19 status update for Lincolnwood. She shared that there has already been three COVID-related deaths in Lincolnwood in 2022, 66 deaths since the pandemic started and 434 cases reported in the last week. She encouraged the community to continue wearing masks and stay safe and shared information about free COVID-19 testing kits that can be ordered through the United States Postal Service.

Trustee Halevi expressed condolences to Dave Van Vooren, the former Executive Director of SWANCC, and his wife for the unexpected loss of their son, Drew. She then congratulated her uncle for an upcoming celebration of his 102nd birthday on January 23.

Trustee Klatzco shared that the Cook County Public Health Department reopened their mass vaccination sites. Trustee Sargon added that in-home vaccines are available and information is available on the Village website.

Village Clerk's Report

Village Clerk Herman shared that staff is available to register voters. There will be an election in June, but not for Lincolnwood positions.

Village Manager's Report

Manager Gaura shared a status update on the ongoing renovation of the former Parks and Recreation Department space, which is being altered into space for the Community Development Department. She anticipates construction being completed the next couple weeks, at which point the Community Development Department will begin moving into their new location in Village Hall.

Public Forum

None

Consent Agenda

A request was made remove the first item of the consent agenda and add it as item number 4 during regular business. This left one item remaining on the consent agenda:

1. Approval of a Resolution Approving Engagement Letter for the Village Prosecutor's New Law Firm

Trustee Klatzco moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, seconded by Trustee Martel.

Upon Roll Call the results were:

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

NAYS: None

The motion passed

Regular Business

- 1. Consideration of an Ordinance Waiving Competitive Bidding and Authorizing an Agreement with HR Green, Inc., of McHenry, Illinois, for an Analysis of the Village's Building Permit Processes and Procedures**

This item was presented by Scott Mangum, Community Development Director. Mr. Mangum shared that this initiative is part of the Village's "service first" priorities as it pertains to the improvement of the Village's building permit processes and procedures. He shared that \$15,000 has been budgeted for an analysis of Village permit processes by HR Green, a firm that provides building department services for municipalities and has expertise in the field. Mr. Mangum shared that HR green will conduct a thorough analysis and review on how permit processes can be improved. He shared that it is staff's recommendation to pass the ordinance as presented.

Trustee Martel moved to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Saleem.

Upon Roll Call the Results were:

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

NAYS: None

- 2. Approval of a Recommendation by the Traffic Commission to Adopt an Ordinance to Amend Section 7-2-15 of the Municipal Code Restricting Parking**

Mayor Patel addressed Village Attorney Elrod and shared that he was asked by a Trustee if action on this item, which is a request of a business, will create legal precedent other than for the exact and specific circumstances that this recommendation is being considered.

Mr. Elrod shared that this will not create a legal precedent. Mayor Patel then asked if approving this ordinance simply signals a policy perspective or if it creates a binding precedent. Mr. Elrod shared that approval of this recommendation does signal a policy perspective but it does not bind the Board to any sort of precedent as the Board has the authority to undo its action. He also shared that the Board does not have to stand by its decision in a different circumstance as every location in town is unique and subject to criteria that would be reviewed by the Traffic Commission and Village Board.

Mayor Patel asked Police Chief Jay Parrott to provide background this case. Chief Parrott shared that although Domicile will benefit from the proposed change in the parking restriction, any passenger vehicle can park in the area that is proposed to be reserved for passenger vehicles – not just customers of Domicile. Mayor Patel shared that spaces will be available to passenger vehicles.

Trustee Klatzco moved to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Herrera.

Upon Roll Call the Results were:

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

NAYS: None

The motion passed

Adjournment to Closed Session

At 8:10 P.M. Trustee Halevi moved to adjourn the Village Board Meeting to proceed to closed session to discuss employment matters pursuant to Section 2C1 of the Open Meetings Act, seconded by Trustee Sargon.

Upon Roll Call the results were:

Ayes: Trustees Saleem, Martel, Halevi, Sargon, Klatzco, Diaz-Herrera

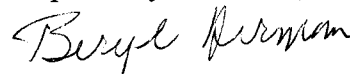
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Adjournment

At 8:24 P.M., Mayor Patel returned from closed session and announced adjournment of the Regular Village Board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Beryl Herman
Village Clerk.