

**VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JUNE 6, 2017**

Call to Order

President Bass called the regular meeting of the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees to order at 7:40 PM, Tuesday, June 6, 2017, 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 recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country.

Roll Call

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

PRESENT: President Bass, Trustees Patel, Cope, Hlepas Nickell, Sugarman

ABSENT: Trustee Ikezoe-Halevi, Spino

A quorum was present. Also present: Timothy Wiberg, Village Manager; Ashley Engelmann, Assistant Village Manager; Charles Greenstein, Village Treasurer; Heather McFarland, Management Analyst; Steven Elrod, Village Attorney; Charles Meyer, Assistant to the Village Manager; Steve McNellis, Director of Community Development; Andrew Letson, Public Works Director, Robert LaMantia, Police Chief; Doug Hammel, Community Development Manager.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the May 16, 2017 Village Board meeting and the May 23, 2017 Village Board Special meeting were distributed and examined in advance.

Trustee Hlepas Nickell moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Trustee Cope.

The minutes were approved by Voice Vote. Trustee Patel abstained.

Warrant Approval

President Bass presented the warrants for approval in the amount of \$919,447.70. Trustee Hlepas Nickell moved to approve, seconded by Trustee Sugarman.

Upon a Roll Call by the Village Clerk the results were:

AYES: Trustees Hlepas Nickell, Sugarman, Cope, Patel

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

Village President's Report

1. Photo Contest

President Bass announced a Community Photo Contest. Photographs showing the history of Lincolnwood as well as portraits of residents will be welcome. In July a panel from the Chamber of Commerce will judge the photos and prizes will be awarded. Photos must be submitted by July

2. Discussion Regarding the Formation of Advisory Groups:

Public Safety and Health

Communications

President Bass would like to form new advisory committees.

Trustee Hlepas Nickell would approve of these, perhaps in conjunction with schools and library.

President Bass stated that the schools are interested in working together.

3. Appointment of Amina Elmahdy to the Park and Recreation Board

President Bass recommended this appointment and read resume listing qualifications.

Trustee Cope moved to approve the appointment, seconded by Trustee Hlepas Nickell.

The motion passed with a Voice Vote

4. Swearing in of Police Sergeant Justin Lauria

Chief LaMantia spoke of Justin's qualifications and background. He introduced the family. Sergeant Lauria spoke briefly.

5. Madeleine Grant Volunteer of the Year Recognition

President Bass introduced Paul, Maura and Elizabeth Grant. Mr. Grant spoke briefly about volunteerism and the importance of it in our community and of the many opportunities which Mrs. Pabst took to volunteer in our Village and with schools and church. He also spoke of the late Mayor Grant and her commitment to volunteers.

Barbara Atsaves Pabst was the recipient of the 2017 award.

Mrs. Pabst spoke briefly.

6. Proclamation Regarding Student Achievers

President Bass read the Proclamation.

7. Student Achievers Awards

The awards were presented by Trustee Cope, President Bass and Marijana Herljevic from Republic Bank.

Eugene Chung

Hana Comor

Olivia Dang

Jessica Gassel

Konstantine Hatzopoulos

Anna Heins

David Hochberg

Steven Hristov

Nicholas Ieremciue

Weronica Jozwiak	Sven Karaman	Suleiman Kazi
Isabell Lazar	Quynh-Mai Le	Carolyn Lomahan
Jason Morgan	Shameer Riaz	Alexa Robertson
Emily Silber	Andrew Simovic	Claire Stepan
Domingo Such	Bianca Tomuta	Chaitanya Vakil

7. Top Male and Female student Achievers

President Bass read letters from school counselors regarding the achievements of the two.

President Bass and Erum Ahmed of Liberty Bank presented the awards. Mayor Bass presented a check from Olympia Group, LLC to the students as well.

The Recipients were Emily Silber and Nicholas Ieremciuc.

The meeting went into a short recess for a reception honoring the Student Achievers.

The meeting resumed.

Consent Agenda

- 1. Approval of a Resolution Relating to Participation by Elected Officials in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund**
- 2. Approval of an Ordinance Waiving Enforcement of Section 14-14-10 of the Municipal Code of Lincolnwood for Installation of a Netting System at 6600 North Crawford Avenue**
- 3. Approval of an Ordinance in Case #ZB-05-17 to Approve a Variation from the Zoning Code to Allow Construction of a New Accessory Structure Less than 15 Feet From the Nearest Wall of the Principal Building at 4308 West Pratt Avenue**
- 4. Approval of an Ordinance Waiving Enforcement of Section 14-14-10 of the Municipal Code to Allow the Village’s Contractor Nettle Creek Nursery Performing the Lincoln Avenue Medians Project on Lincoln Avenue to Work between 12:00 P.M. and 3:00 P.M. on Saturdays from June 10, 2017 through September 30, 2017 Fund**
- 5. Approval of two resolutions Requesting Motor Fuel Tax Funds from the State of Illinois Pertaining to General Maintenance and Infrastructure Improvements**

Trustee Hlepas Nickell moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Patel.

Upon a Roll Call by the Village Clerk the results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Cope, Hlepas Nickell, Sugarman

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

Regular Business

6. Consideration of a Recommendation by the Zoning Board of Appeals in Case #ZB-04-17 to Approve a Fence Variation from the Zoning Code to Permit a Solid Fence along the Rear Lot Line at 7020 North Keystone Avenue

This item was presented by Mr. Hammel using PowerPoint.

This request comes from petitioners who have an issue with dogs in the yard behind theirs. These dogs live outdoors and bark and get out of the yard.

An aerial view of the properties was exhibited as were renderings and background photos.

Requests and considerations were presented.

ZBA Deliberations

ZBA held a Public Hearing on May 17, 2017

- *Impetus for the request is noise and disruption created by neighboring dogs
- *Installation of temporary boards along the bottom of the existing fence has not helped
- *ZBA had questions about the effectiveness of the requested fence and approve fence at the 4 neighboring property
- *ZBA expressed concerns regarding permanent variation to a temporary problem
- *Neighbor objected to solid fence on south property line

A modified request was presented.

ZBA Recommendation

By a 4 – 2 Vote Recommends Approval of a solid fence on rear property line

Requested Action

Board Consideration of:

Approval of a Variation to allow for the installation Solid Fence along the Rear Lot Line at 7020 North Keystone Ave

Village Attorney to Draft a Related Ordinance

Some discussion ensued.

Trustee Hlepas Nickell questioned if we need an Ordinance regarding the outdoor storage of animals

Petitioner Barry Katz was in attendance.

Trustee Hlepas Nickell moved to direct the Village Attorney to draft an Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Cope.

The motion passed with a Voice Vote.

7. Consideration of an Ordinance in Case #PC-05-17 Approving a Reasonable Accommodation to Allow for a Community Residence Use in a Residential District at 6435 North Christiana Avenue

This item was presented by Mr. Hammel

At the previous Village Board meeting petitions were received from residents who were against this item. The petitions and other information are on file.

The petitioner is aware of changes requested by the Village.

Attorney Elrod reminded the Board that US FHA Act does not allow local governments to discriminate against persons with disabilities.

Some discussion ensued.

Attorney Elrod spoke regarding the amendments:

- *No more than two occupants
- *No medical treatment provided on site.
- *Structure cannot be enlarged.
- *The Village must be reimbursed for all expenses incurred, including legal fees.
- *Must meet Village maintenance requirements.
- *Inspections will take place.

Trustee Patel moved to approve an Ordinance as amended, seconded by Trustee Sugarman.

Upon Roll Call the Results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Sugarman, Hlepas Nickell, Cope

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

8. Consideration of the following: (A) An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9 of the Village Code Regarding Minimum Hourly Wages for Persons Employed within the Village of Lincolnwood as it Pertains to the Cook County Minimum Wage Ordinance and (B) An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9 of the Village Code Regarding Paid Sick Leave for Persons Employed within the Village of Lincolnwood as it Pertains to the Cook County Paid Sick Leave Ordinance

This item was presented by Mr. Wiberg using PowerPoint.

Background

*October 2016, Cook County Board approved two Ordinances regarding pay and benefits for employees who work within Cook County.

- Minimum Hourly Wage
- Paid Sick Leave

*Effective July 1, 2017

*All Cook County municipalities are subject to the Ordinances

- Municipalities may opt out of the Ordinances

A summary of Ordinances was exhibited.

Current State and Federal Law

*Minimum Wage

- State- \$8.25/hour
- Federal-\$7.25/hour

*Sick Leave

- Illinois does not require employers to provide employees with sick leave benefits, either paid or unpaid

The Cook County Municipalities who have opted out to date:

Arlington Heights	Barrington	Bartlett
Bedford Park	Buffalo Grove	Elgin
Elk Grove Village	Elmwood Park	Glenview
Hanover Park	Hoffman Estates	Morton Grove
Mount Prospect	Niles	Northbrook
Oak Forest	Oak Lawn	Palatine
Palos Park	River Forest	Rosemont
Rolling Meadows	Schaumburg	Summit
Streamwood	Tinley Park	Wheeling

Reasons for Opting Out

- *Businesses could decide to relocate to a community outside of Cook County or one that has chosen to opt-out of the Ordinances
- *Potential effects on job growth
- *Local business support for opting out:
 - Substantial financial hardship
 - Would necessitate the review of wages for positions beyond entry level in order to maintain a wage structure among positions
 - Sick leave requirement would be administratively challenging
 - The hospitality industry, retailers and restaurants will be impacted more significantly by the minimum wage increase – traditionally they have many positions that are paid at minimum wage

The Importance of Maintaining a Vibrant Business Community

- *The Village receives 24% of its total revenues through sales tax or approximately \$7 million annually
 - Reduction in sales tax revenues received would have a significant impact on the Village’s operations

Recommended Motion

- *Move to approve the following:
 - (A) An Ordinance amending Chapter 9 (Business Licenses and Commercial Regulations) of the Municipal Code of Lincolnwood regarding minimum hourly wages
 - (B) An Ordinance amending Chapter 9 (Business Licenses and Commercial Regulations) of the Municipal Code of Lincolnwood regarding paid sick leave.

Attorney Elrod stated that because of Home Rule, the Village can opt out, Village Ordinances can prevail.

The following spoke regarding this issue.

For Opting Out – Brian Adams, Tony Gemignam

For Remaining in: - Caren Ex, Leah Brenan, Ted Smuckler (who read a letter from Jan Shakowsky)

Comments from Trustees Cope and Hlepas Nickell. Trustee Cope moved to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Patel.

Upon Roll Call the Results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Cope, Hlepas Nickell, Sugarman

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wiberg stated that it has been the practice of the Village Board to have a Trustee approve warrants.

We are looking for one or two Trustees to do this. If you are interested in this, contact Mr. Wiberg.

Board and Commissions Report

None

Village Clerk's Report

None

Trustees Reports

None

Public Forum

The following persons spoke regarding Item #8. They said that they would have wished to speak before the vote on that item:

All were against approval of the residence on Christiana: Florence Yun, Nick Hatzopoulos, Lisa Simone.

Adjournment To Closed Session

At 9:35 P.M. Mayor Bass moved to adjourn the Village Board meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation per Section 2(c)(11) .

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Hlepas Nickell, seconded by Trustee Sugarman.

Upon Roll Call the Results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Cope, Sugarman, Hlepas Nickell

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

Reconvention

At 10:31 P.M. President Bass reconvened the Village Board meeting.

Adjournment

At 10:32 P.M. Trustee Sugarman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Hlepas Nickell.

The motion passed with a Voice Vote

Respectfully Submitted,

Beryl Herman

Beryl Herman
Village Clerk