

**VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
OCTOBER 17, 2017**

**Call to Order**

President Bass called the regular meeting of the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees to order at 7:35 PM, Tuesday, October 17, 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.

**Roll Call**

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

PRESENT: President Bass, Trustees Cope, Hlepas Nickell, Ikezoe-Halevi, Spino, Patel, Sugarman

ABSENT: None

A quorum was present. Also present: Timothy Wiberg, Village Manager; Ashley Engelmann, Assistant Village Manager; Heather McFarland, Management Analyst; Steven Elrod, Village Attorney; Charles Meyer, Assistant to the Village Manager; Andrew Letson, Public Works Director; Nadim Badran, Assistant to the Public Works Director; Steven McNellis, Community Development Director; Benjamin Harris, Accountant; Robert Merkel, Finance Director

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the September 19, 2017 and the October 3, 2017 Village Board meetings were distributed and examined in advance. Amendments were requested and appropriate corrections will be made.

Trustee Hlepas Nickell moved to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Trustee Spino.

The minutes were approved as amended by a voice vote.

**Warrant Approval**

President Bass presented the warrants for approval in the amount of \$1,004,084. 40 Trustee Sugarman moved to approve, seconded by Trustee Patel.

Upon a Roll Call the results were:

AYES: Trustees Sugarman, Cope, Hlepas Nickell, Patel, Spino, Ikezoe-Halevi

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

## **Village President's Report**

### **1. Human Relations Person of the Year**

Rebecca Kohn, Chair of Human Relations, Police Chief LaMantia and Pastor Elias Jinar were invited to the podium.

Each year the Village of Lincolnwood's Human Relations Commission eagerly accepts applications which honor an outstanding member of the community. This recipient is someone who devotes their time helping others and is committed to promoting respect, tolerance, and neighborly cooperation. This year we are recognizing Pastor Elias Jinar as the recipient of the Human Relations Commission Award.

Pastor Jinar has a diverse educational and employment background dating back to his high school years in Sibiu, Romania. After high school Pastor Jinar attended the ULBs School of journalism, also in Romania. After moving to the United States in 2002, Pastor Jinar attended the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, graduating in 2006 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications. He then attended Trinity Evangelical Divinity School from 2006 to 2011 earning a Masters of Divinity degree.

Pastor Jinar is currently an ordained Baptist Pastor and is employed as the lead pastor for the Way Bible Church in Chicago. There he is highly involved with the congregation and community and is described by colleagues and friends as "honest, professional and a good person".

In 2016, Pastor Jinar began volunteering his time as the Lincolnwood Police Department's Police Chaplain. In doing so, he stays involved with the happenings of the police department and the needs of the officers and makes himself available for a variety of services and support. Pastor Jinar happily devotes his time to helping others and is certainly committed to promoting tolerance and respect amongst the community.

### **2. Touhy Avenue Bridge Update**

Construction of the Touhy Avenue Overpass has begun and the contractor has started with removal of brush and trees that are in conflict with the future bridge. Following the completion of this work, they will begin the process of constructing the local access path, which will be used to keep the trail open during construction. Once the bridge is complete, the local access path will be available for users of the path to exit on to Touhy Avenue or access the bridge from the street. Construction is expected to be complete in summer, 2018.

### **3. Coffee with the Clergy**

The Village's Multi-Cultural Task Force invites you to attend a gathering in a series of inter-faith conversations designed to gain a better understanding of the rich diversity within our Village. On Wednesday, October 18, Pastor Elias Jinar from the Way Bible Church and Mr. Kamyar Jabbari, President, Northbrook Clergy Association, B'hai Faith. This will be taking place October 18 from 7 to 8:30PM at the Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 West Pratt Avenue.

#### **4. Turkey Trot**

The 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Lincolnwood Turkey Trot is Sunday, November 19. We are looking for volunteers for Turkey Trot such as court marshals, people to pass out water, packet pick up and more. If you would like to volunteer please contact Olivia Antosz at [oaantosz@lwd.org](mailto:oaantosz@lwd.org) or 847/745-4723

#### **5. Lincoln Ave. Median Work**

The Lincolnwood median project is now substantially complete. The contractor will be working over the next couple of week to perform any necessary corrective work.

#### **6. Rescue Rangers**

We are looking for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students as well as high school students to assist senior resident in our Village who are unable to complete daily living tasks such as bringing the garbage to and from the curb or shoveling a path from their door to their car. We try to pair students with seniors who live within walking distance of the volunteer. For further information on volunteering or to request a permission form, please contact the Administration Office at 847/745-4717.

#### **7. Armed Robbery**

On October 8, 2017 at 5:12 PM, the Lincolnwood Police Department received a 9-1-1 call regarding an armed robbery that occurred in the 6600 block of Drake Avenue. Two residents, a father and son, were inside their vehicle when they were confronted by four males, one of whom displayed a black firearm. The offenders demanded the victims' wallets, phones and car keys before they fled. Officer Patrick Falson searched the area and located a vehicle with four male occupants matching the description of the armed offenders. With the assistance of additional responding officers (Lieutenant Schenita Stewart, Officer Claire Carbonneau, and Officer Andrew Bialek) the subjects were detained pending a positive identification by the victims. Officer Joshua Bakalar assisted the victims who cooperated with police and positively identified the subjects as the offenders. Officer Colleen Zitkus arrived on the scene to photograph and process the evidence, and the Skokie Police Department helped canvass the area for additional evidence, later locating the victim's cell phone and the firearm used in the robbery.

All four subjects were arrested and transported to the Lincolnwood Police Department. There, Detectives Eric Gronlund and Louis Nunez interviewed the offenders and admissions were made regarding their involvement in the crime. All four offenders were charged accordingly.

The successful conclusion to this case is credited to the team work displayed by all involved, including the witnesses who initially alerted the police, the cooperation of the victims, the assistance of the Skokie Police and their Communications Officers, and the swift and professional response of the Lincolnwood Police Department.

#### **Consent Agenda**

- 1. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with GNP Energy Corporation, of Fort Myers, Florida, for the Provision and Installation of LED Street Light Retrofits in the Northeast Industrial District through the Interlocal Purchasing System Cooperative, in the amount of \$77,792.00**

2. **Approval of a Recommendation by the Zoning Board of Appeals to Adopt an Ordinance in Case #ZB-12-17 to Permit the Increase in Permitted Building Coverage from 1,735-Square Feet to 1,813-Square Feet to Allow the Construction of a New Two-Car Garage at 3620 West North Shore Avenue**
3. **Approval of an Ordinance Establishing a Designated Parkway Parking Area on Chase Avenue**
4. **Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of 44 Police Radios through the State of Illinois Central Management Services Contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc., of Chicago, Illinois**

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

Upon Roll Call the Results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Cope, Ikezoe -Halevi, Hlepajs Nickell, Spino,  
 NAYS: None The motion passed.

**Regular Business**

5. **Consideration of a Resolution to Accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended April 30, 2017**

This item was presented by Mr. Merkel.

Accountant Ronald Amen of Lauderbach & Amen, LLP, reviewed the report for the Board.

Mr. Amen commended Mr. Merkel and his team and responded to questions from Trustees.

Trustee Patel moved to approve the Resolution, seconded by Trustee Hlepas Nickell.

Upon Roll Call the Results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Hlepas Nickell, Cope, Spino, Ikezoe-Halevi, Sugarman  
 NAYS: None The motion passed.

6. **Consideration of a Recommendation by the Zoning Board of Appeals in Case #ZB-11-17 to Deny a Variation Request Regarding Existing Non-Conforming Fences in the Corner Side Yard and Interior Side Yard of 6454 North Kimball Avenue and in the Interior Side Yard of 6450 North Kimball Avenue**

At the request of the Petitioner a motion was made by Trustee Hlepas Nickell to Table this item until the Village Board Meeting of November 21, 2017. The motion was seconded by Trustee Spino.

The motion passed with a Voice Vote.

**Manager's Report**

None

**Board and Commissions Report**

None

**Village Clerk's Report**

None

**Trustees Reports**

None

**Public Forum**

None

**Adjournment To Closed Session**

At 8 P.M. Mayor Bass requested a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Employment Matters Per Section 2(c)(1), Purchase or Lease of Property 2(c)(5), and Setting Price to Sell or Lease Property Per Section 2(c)(6).

Trustee Patel moved to adjourn to Closed Session, seconded by Trustee Ikezoe-Halevi.

Upon Roll Call the Results were:

AYES: Trustees Patel, Ikezoe-Halevi, Cope, Hlepas Nickell, Sugarman, Spino

NAYS: None

The motion passed

**Reconvention**

At 9:15 P.M. President Bass reconvened the Village Board meeting.

**Adjournment**

At 9:16 P.M. Trustee Spino moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Ikezoe-Halevi. The motion passed with a Voice Vote.

Respectfully Submitted  
*Beryl Herman*  
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Village Clerk