

Village of Homer Glen

**14240 W. 151st Street
Homer Glen, Illinois 60491**

November 9, 2016

**Board of Trustees
Board Meeting**

**Village Board Room
14240 W. 151st Street
Homer Glen, IL**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on November 9, 2016 by Mayor Yukich at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Board Room, 14240 W. 151st Street, Homer Glen.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**C. ROLL CALL**

Present were Mayor George Yukich, Trustees Sharon Sweas, Mike Costa, Beth Rodgers, and Carlo Caprio. Trustees Brian Burian and Christina Neitzke-Troiike were absent. All remained present throughout the meeting. Also present on behalf of the Village were Village Clerk Ann Holtz, Village Attorney Eric Hanson, Chief Building Official Joe Baber, Assistant Planner Caron Bricks, and Village Manager Mike Mertens.

A quorum was established.

D. APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA - None**E. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICERS**

1. Mayor Yukich

• Leaf burning regulations in the Village of Homer Glen

Residents are required to obtain a Leaf Burning Permit from the Village's Building Department before any open burning of leaves on residential property. The permit is valid for 6 months, so if you previously had a permit, you must come to the Village's Building Department to renew this free permit. As a safe alternative to burning, all yard waste can be picked up by NuWay on your regular pickup day from April 1st through November 30th, at no extra cost. No permit is required for recreational fires. If you have any questions please visit www.homerglenil.org or call 708-301-1301.

• Second Heritage Park open house

Join us for the second public open house regarding the planning of the Village's Heritage Park on Saturday, November 12 from 10 a.m. to Noon. At this event, we will be discussing potential concept plans for the park. The Village, with the assistance of consultant, Planning Resources, is in the process of developing a Master Plan for Heritage Park. Public input, including those comments received at this Open House are an important and valued part of this project. If you have any questions, please call Village Hall at 708-301-0632 or email village@homerglen.org.

2. Trustees

Trustee Sweas:

- On behalf of the Environment Committee: The replacement tree planting program in the right of way is currently underway and we would like to thank the residents for their cooperation.

We are in the process of preparing for our next Earth Day-Arbor Day event which will take place on May 20th. During our sub-committee meeting which is scheduled for November 14, 2016, we will discuss entertainment, budget, vendors and demonstrators.

Two members from the Environment Committee recently attended the 2016 Chicago Wilderness Congress, which offered many different conference topics to the 600 people in attendance that day. One session linked environmental conservation with human well-being and also how to identify the principles and values of a community along with heritage, economy and natural resources. The Congress was very informative and the Environment Committee will receive their report at a future meeting.

3. Treasurer – None
4. Clerk – Early Voting concluded on Monday with over 550 people casting votes on Monday, so we stayed open for an extra hour. In total, over the two week period, over 2500 residents from all over Will County cast their votes. A special thank you to EMA representatives John Robinson and Steve Spears for helping out at the end of the day on both Saturday and Monday as it did get a little chaotic.
5. Village Attorney - None
6. Public Safety Officials - None
7. Village Manager – None

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Mike DeVivo, Homer Road District Commissioner, gave a brief update on the planned road work on Crème Road, which will require the road to be closed for 2 weeks. There will be a pre-construction meeting at the Road District offices. Information can be found at www.Homerhighway.com.
2. Mike Roppo, Owner of Steamers in Homer Glen, asked for an update on the Video Gaming Moratorium.
3. John Kooi, Homer Glen resident, spoke on his concerns about other communities' proposed tax increases and operations, including that of New Lenox and Orland Park. He hopes that the Village will be conservative with regard to spending when it comes to what will be built in Heritage Park.
4. Lynn McGary, representing the Homer Area Chamber of Commerce, reminded the Board about the Chamber's annual holiday party and installation dinner at Ruffled Feathers on November 17.

G. LEGISLATION AND ACTION ITEMS

1. **Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 16-047, An Ordinance Granting (1) a Special Use to Permit Outdoor Storage for a Fence Display, (2) a Variance to Reduce the Required Front Yard Setback From 45 Feet to 10 Feet, and (3) a Variance to Reduce the Required Corner Yard Setback From 45 Feet to 20 Feet for the Property Commonly Known as 15901 S. Parker Road, Homer Glen, Illinois (Case No. HG-1627-SV, Peerless Enterprises, Inc., d.b.a. Tru-Link Fence).**

Trustee Costa made the motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Rodgers.

A brief discussion took place regarding the placement of the fence display, how said display would be maintained, and issues related to the overall lot coverage.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

2. **Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 16-048, An Ordinance Granting a Map Amendment (Rezoning) from A-1 Agricultural and C-1 Neighborhood Commercial to P-1 Public District (Chapter 220-710 of the Code of the Village of Homer Glen) for certain real property located at 13835 S. Parker Road, Homer Glen, Illinois.**

Trustee Caprio made the motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Costa.

Representatives from Illinois American Water, who have been involved in the project under consideration, gave a presentation recapping the objectives, goals and responsibilities under the guidelines of the project, in order to be in compliance with requirements of the Illinois EPA. The representatives stated that they are cooperating with Village staff and the recommendations of the Plan Commission.

IAW stated they will complete a tree survey, comply with the Village's Tree Ordinance, and meet as many requirements and conditions that they are able to under the limited existing footprint. Assistant Planner Bricks stated that they are in compliance and no set back variances were requested.

Trustee Costa stated that the Board is only approving a zoning change. Assistant Planner Bricks explained that the next agenda item is the special use permit and they will not have to come back before the board, but rather they will simply comply with the staff review and permit process. IAW stated they are relying on the staff for guidance in order to meet the Village's requirements and acknowledged the Plan Commission's third recommendation to minimize all construction debris and disruption to the neighboring properties. IAW acknowledged that the special use permit does not have any effect unless IAW complies with the requirements of the Village.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

3. **Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 16-049, An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for an Essential Service (Water Reclamation Facility) in the P-1 Governmental Buildings and Public Schools District [Chapter 220 (Zoning), Attachment 2, Table 2A (Permitted and Special Uses for Nonresidential Districts) of the Code of the Village of Homer Glen] for certain real property located at 13835 S. Parker Road, Homer Glen, Illinois.**

Trustee Caprio made the motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Costa.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

4. **Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 16-050, An Ordinance Approving a Preliminary and Final Plat of Chickasaw Hills WRF Subdivision (Consolidation) for certain real property located at 13835 S. Parker Road, Homer Glen, Illinois.**

Trustee Caprio made the motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Sweas.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

5. Motion to Approve the September 2016 Mahoney, Silverman & Cross, LLC legal bills, in the amount of \$3,266.25.

Trustee Sweas made the motion to approve the bills, seconded by Trustee Rodgers.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

6. Motion to Approve the 2017 IMLRMA Contribution Invoice/Renewal for workers compensation and liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$40,504.86.

Trustee Costa made the motion to approve the Invoice/Renewal, seconded by Trustee Caprio.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

7. Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 16-051, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 12-035, Amending the Benefits Section of the Personnel Policy Statement for the Village of Homer Glen.

Trustee Costa made the motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Rodgers.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

8. Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 16-052, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 220-1206 of the Code of the Village of Homer Glen, Which Provides For Public Hearings and Notice Requirements within the Village of Homer Glen, Will County, Illinois.

Trustee Caprio made the motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Sweas.

A brief discussion took place explaining that this would simplify the process and ensure the notification process would be done correctly, and would further lessen the burden on the business owner from a time/cost standpoint. Village Attorney Eric Hanson also explained that we are expanding the area of notification. Village Manager Mertens stated that the Village is going above and beyond State statute, further stating there have been incidents where petitioners have failed to notify everyone required resulting in unnecessary delays. Trustee Rodgers stated she feels the improvements are a positive change. Trustee Rodgers asked Trustee Burian to confirm that the CEDC was in support of the changes.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

H. OLD BUSINESS – None

I. NEW BUSINESS - None

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Rodgers suggested tabling Executive Session until Trustees Burian and Neitzke-Troiike could be present. Mayor Yukich stated that it was only a discussion of the same topic of the prior Executive Session. The consensus of the remainder of the Board was to proceed with Executive Session.

Trustee Caprio motioned to recess to Executive Session for the purposes of discussion of Personnel. The motion was seconded by Trustee Costa.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

Executive Session began at approximately 8:15pm. Executive Session concluded at 8:34pm.

Trustee Costa motioned to adjourn Executive Session and resume the regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Caprio. The regular meeting resumed at 8:36.

The discussion during Executive Session was regarding Personnel. No action was taken during the meeting.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Caprio made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Rodgers.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: (4) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Costa, and Rodgers

Nays: (0)

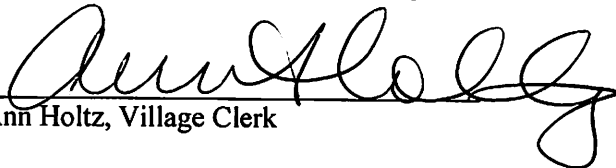
Abstained: (0)

Absent: (2) Trustees Neitzke-Troiike and Burian

The Mayor did not vote.

Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37p.m.



Ann Holtz, Village Clerk

Approved at the Board of Trustees Meeting dated November 22, 2016