

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
VILLAGE HALL – BOARD MEETING ROOM
June 22, 2021**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular board meeting of the Village of Forest View was called to order by Village President Miller at 7:00 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Ramirez, Liska
Absent: None

4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

That the minutes of the regular board meeting of June 8, 2021 be approved as read:

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
Second: Trustee Hubacek

Yes: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Ramirez, Liska
No: None
Motion Carried.

5. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS CHECK REGISTER:

- A. To approve the check register from the payroll of the June 8, 2021 board meeting in the amount of \$ 86,314.40

Check # 31306-31315
Voided: None

- B. To approve the check register from the accounts payable of the June 8, 2021 board meeting in the amount of \$ 29,061.45

Check # 31316-31347
Voided: None

Action Requested: Motion to approve

Motion: Trustee Hubacek
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Hubacek, Ramirez, Liska, Grossi
No: None
Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES:

- A. To approve the village payroll in the gross amount of \$ 85,964.61. This payroll covers the period from June 16-30, 2021 for regular full-time employees. Also covered is the Officials payroll from June 1–30, 2021 and the part-time payroll from June 1-15, 2021.
- B. To approve the accounts payable as listed in the amount of \$ 51,431.44
- C. Total Expenditures: \$ 137,396.05

Action Requested: Motion to approve

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Liska

Yes: Trustees Hubacek, Ramirez, Liska, Grossi, Sudkamp
No: None
Motion Carried.

7. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Item # 1 - Letter from President Miller requesting the boards' approval to appoint Michael C. Dropka as the Village Administrator.

Action Requested: Motion to appoint Michael C. Dropka to the position of Village Administrator.

A Trustee asked if he has completed everything for hire.

Village President Miller stated that Michael Dropka has completed everything required. Everyone is very excited to be working with him.

To approve Agenda Item # 1

Motion: Trustee Hubacek
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Ramirez, Liska, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek
No: None

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 2 - Letter from Chief of Police, Gary Wiseman, Jr., seeking the boards' approval to hire Part-Time Officers Jerald Nettles and Kevin Spatz.

Action Requested: Motion to appoint Jerald Nettles and Kevin Spatz as part-time police officers to the Forest View Police Department.

Village President Miller has pulled Agenda Item #2.

Agenda Item # 3 - Letter from Deputy Chief Alan Dudek, regarding the resignation of Firefighter Zach Marcolini and Firefighter Kasia Koscielniak.

Action Requested: None, information only.

Interim Fire Chief Dudek stated they were down five members, losing these two members will leave the department down seven members.

Agenda Item # 4 - Letter from Deputy Chief Alan Dudek, seeking the boards' approval to hire Part-Time Firefighter/Paramedics Jayson Holm and Nicolas Dina.

Action Requested: Motion to appoint Jayson Holm and Nicolas Dina as Part-Time Firefighter/Paramedics.

A Trustee asked if they were having trouble getting Part-Time Firefighters.

Interim Fire Chief Dudek stated that we are actively recruiting. The issue is a policy that is out there which has many full-time departments looking for part-time departments to help pay into the pension costs in case someone was to take a duty disability. Because of this policy, many departments will not allow their full-time employees to work at part-time departments. This is why we have lost so many members.

Discussion ensued, it was mentioned that this is a problem and this situation will need to be addressed.

To approve Agenda Item # 4

Motion: Trustee Grossi

Second: Trustee Hubacek

Yes: Trustees Liska, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Ramirez

No: None

Motion Carried.

8. APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS:

- NF21-18 Armando & Claudia Soto, 4505 S. Clinton Avenue, Replace Ceramic, Drywall and Paint in the Bathroom. Replace Five Doors and Refinish Basement Stairs.
- NF21-19 Gail Cervenka, 4523 S. Kenilworth Avenue, Replace One Window.
- F21-28 Lesley Kreamske / Luis Hernandez, 4552 S. Kenilworth Avenue, Replace Porch & Build a Deck.
- F21-29 Blanca Villarreal, 4606 S. Grove Avenue, Replace Sidewalk & Install a Patio.
- F21-30 Dawn & David Mercado, 4524 S. Oak Park Avenue, Setting Up an 18 Foot Round Pool.
- F21-31 Vincent John & Mary Mamolella, 4519 S. Wenonah Avenue, Install a New Patio Door. Install a New Deck.
- F21-32 Lazaro Cerdan, 4612 S. Maple Avenue, Assembling an 18 x 9 Above Ground Pool.

9. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

A.) Reports from Department Heads

- 1. Superintendent Water & Public Works Jack O'Donohue
 - No new news to report at this time.
- 2. Interim Fire Chief Alan Dudek
 - No new news to report at this time.

B.) Reports from Village Trustees

A Trustee asked if we had rectified the vehicle sticker for a B plate. Discussion ensued regarding pricing for a B plate, passenger plate and senior discount. There is currently not a senior discount for a B plate. In order to make any exceptions to pricing, changing the ordinance would need to be addressed next year. Surrounding towns are very expensive and the City of Chicago is over one hundred dollars for a vehicle sticker.

Village President Miller mentioned that we are not making any money on our vehicle stickers, however, we are not losing any money. We can review options for next year.

A Trustee was excited to mention the Village Wide Garage Sale sponsored by the Forest View Park District to be held Saturday, August 28, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If everyone agrees, we will share this information with our Residents in the newsletter.

Trustee Liska along with Village President Miller attended a tour of Lake Shore Recycling. They enjoyed visiting and viewing the operation. Rich Golf from Lakeshore Recycling will visit us to share their future build. They will have a building to load barges on the canal that will go to southern Illinois. The tour was very interesting and the facility was very clean.

C.) Report from the Village President

Village President Miller mentioned that Rich Golf from Lakeshore Recycling did have a request during the visit. He has requested that we ask our residents to place cans or bottles in paper bags for recycling and not Jewel bags. The plastic bags become tangled in the belts of the equipment. The bags can be recycled at Jewel. We will put this information in the newsletter.

10. MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:23 P.M.:

Motion: Trustee Hubacek

Second: Trustee Grossi

Present: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Ramirez, Liska

Absent: None

11. MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AT 7:43 P.M.:

Motion: Trustee Grossi

Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Hubacek, Ramirez, Liska, Grossi

No: None

Motion Carried.

A personnel matter was discussed in closed session.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT OR QUESTIONS:

A resident asked about the construction next door to the Shell Gas Station. It was explained that there will be a car wash, gambling café and a cellular store at that location. This is the same owner as the Shell Gas Station and the building will look similar to the Shell Station.

A Resident asked for an informal poll regarding how many residents did not receive a Code Red Alert with the storm Sunday evening. Confirming no calls came in over Code Red, there are two types of calls that are sent. There is a general information call and an emergency alert call. The last emergency alert call his Mother received was on April 21st. There were only three emergency alerts this year compared to fourteen last year. He is very concerned as his Mother does not have a cell phone to receive the National Weather Service Alert. There was not an emergency alert sent through our emergency system. Regarding our enhanced 9-1-1 system, the sirens did go off, but no Code Red messages were sent out.

Discussion ensued, Code Red used to be sent out by our dispatcher on duty at the time of an emergency. After hours, we do not have an employee here to send out a Code Red Alert.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

To adjourn at 7:50 P.M.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

VOICE VOTE: AYES: ALL NAYS: NONE Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Vogt
Deputy Clerk