

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
May 28, 2024**

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

President Miller led the Board Trustees and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

The Roll Call of Board Trustees by Clerk McGuffey is as follows:

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

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

That the minutes of the regular board meeting of May 14, 2024 to be approved as read:

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Ramirez
Second: Trustee Hubacek

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

5. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES

To approve the village payroll and accounts payable expenditures as of May 31, 2024:

Payroll- FT /PT/Officials	\$ 108,704.09
Bills Payable	\$ 420,862.82
Manual Check # 34806	\$ <u>300.00</u>
Total Expenditures:	\$ 528,264.75

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Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Ramirez
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

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

6. TREASURERS REPORT FOR APRIL 2024:

Revenues:	\$	405,900.10
Expenses:	\$	<u>569,804.53</u>
Exceeds Expenses	\$	-163,904.43

Action Requested:None, informational only.

7. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Item # 1– Administrator Dropka is requesting the board approve Ordinance No. 24-06 amending Title 6 of the Forest View Village Code by adding a New Chapter 8, “Noises”.

Discussion ensued. Ordinance had not been updated since the 1940’s and the current times defaulted to the County ordinance. The noise ordinance for loud music will change on Sunday through Thursday until 9:30 pm and Friday and Saturday until 10:30 pm.

Action Requested: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 24-06 amending Title 6 of the Forest View Village Code by adding a New Chapter 8, “Noises” and changing the time to 10:30 pm on Friday and Saturday.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Hubacek

Yes: Trustees Grossi, Hubacek, Sudkamp Liska
No: Ramirez, Nevarez
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 2 – Superintendent of Water and Public Works is requesting the board approve allowing Calumet City Plumbing Company to move forward with the installation of a new 3” water meter at Azteca Foods not to exceed \$5,000.00.

Action Requested: Motion to approve allowing Calumet City Plumbing Company to move forward with the installation of a new 3” water meter at Azteca Foods not to exceed \$5,000.00.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

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

Agenda Item # 3 - Gregory Smith who lives at 4500 Maple Avenue is requesting to host a Block Party for the 4500 block of Maple on Saturday, June 22, 2024 and has submitted a Petition for a Block party signed by a majority of residents who are in favor of the block party.

Action Requested: Motion to approve resident Gregory Smith to host a Block Party on Saturday, June 22, 2024 for the 4500 block of Maple Avenue.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Liska

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

Agenda Item # 4 – Letter from Village Administrator Dropka to discuss developing a potential Liquor Commission and what type of ordinance should be created.

Discussion ensued and it was decided that the full board will be the Liquor Commission Board.

Action Requested: None, discussion only.

9. APPLICATIONS FOR COMMERCIAL BUILDING PERMITS:

Agenda Item # 5 - Daubert Chemical Company, 4700 S. Central Ave. is requesting the board approve a pending commercial permit to install new asphalt and pave the front parking lot. All of the required documents have been received, but since we only have one Board Meeting in June, we do not want to hold up the commercial work for a month. ** Pending Building Commissioner Brniak approves the permit application.*

Action Requested: Motion to issue a building permit to Daubert Chemical to install new asphalt and pave the front parking lot. ** Pending Building Commissioner Brniak approves the permit application.*

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Ramirez

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

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Motion Carried.

10. APPLICATIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS:

F 24-11 – Laura McGuffey, 4600 Wenonah Ave. Install leaf filter gutter guard system, secure and seal existing gutters on entire roof.

F 24-12 – Frank Eneman, 4510 Wisconsin Ave. Replacing pool and moving electrical to side to pass Village Code.

NF 24-10 – Carol Czarnecki, 4615 Clinton Ave. Replacing existing front fence with 6’ wooden fence from house to around the corner of their lot.

Discussion ensued that the fence was installed by an outside company and will be addressed at the residents final inspection.

NF24-11 - Amanda Stankos, 4616 Maple Ave. Move service wire and Meter fitting to pass Village Code.

NF24-12 – Edmundo Mendoza, 4601 Maple Ave. Removing old condensing unit on west side of house and installing a new unit on the South side of the house closer to the furnace.

NF24-13 – Raul Miranda, 4616 Oak Park Ave. Replacing wood exterior on vinyl siding exterior of the outside house, garage, and small garage.

NF24-14 – Raghu Jagadam, 4530 Kenilworth Ave. Demo of flooring, siding, and bathrooms.

Action Requested: None, informational only.

11. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

A.) REPORTS FROM THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR DROPKA:

- Our Village Engineer has been putting together a list of upgrades that are needed to the village hall building, including upgrading the bathrooms so they are ADA compliant. The designs will be used to apply for grants and will help with getting these projects completed so the village does not have to pay for the entire project.
- He mentioned that Chief Zarate will be reporting on some great news at the meeting tonight regards grants.
- Dropka stated that he was also happy to report that the village submitted a \$2.5 million grant request to Congressman Garcia for the FY 25 Community Project Funding. He stated that the village made the cut through the first round, and he has submitted the request to the U.S. House Appropriations Committee for consideration the amount of \$2 million. The funding will go towards upgrades needed at the pump house, water reservoir, and water tower and will know more during the summer and hoping that it passes their committee.
- He continues to work on the numbers for the institution of a Special Service Area tax to be put in place for the businesses around Central and 47th Street, as well as the voluntary annexation application form a business on the corner of 51st Street and Central.
- Reported that department heads have started to put together a budget for this next fiscal year and have budget meetings set for this week and would like to hold a special meeting on Tuesday, June 11th at 6:00 pm to go over the budget and salary ordinance and discuss what is being proposed.

B.) REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

Superintendent of Water and Public Works Filec reported:

- The street paving is going very well and K5 will be out to do an inspection.
- Mentioned that at midnight on Wednesday there was a big water main break and he wanted to thank the board for approving the new Scada system. He received an alarm while he was out of town and was able to contact his department and they were able to locate the leak and watch in real time.

Police Chief Zarate reported:

- Reported on the Police Department Activity report for the month of April 2024. They issued 85 Traffic State Citations, 155 Parking /Ordinance Tickets, 21 Accident Reports (Crash), for a Total of 161 Service Calls. There were 13 arrests, 1 misdemeanors, and 0 Felonies.
- Monies generated by the Police Department Total Paid Parking/Ordinance Tickets \$3,100.00, 11 Tow Seizures at \$8,250.00, Truck Enforcement \$225.00, total combined \$10,825.00.
- Mentioned that his department received the Body Cams last week and is working on a Policy with the CSO to deploy July 1st.
- Commented that his department participated in the Top on Cop Event which brought in \$3,000 for Special Olympics and they will continue selling items during the year.
- Reported that Pinner has been working at Daubert Chemicals on Flock Cameras and they should be up and running by June 17th.
- His department received several calls regarding loud music in the village and all noise was shut down by 11:30pm.
- Announced that his department received a Grant for 22k for Body Cameras.

Fire Chief Jones reported:

- Reported on the Fire Department Activity report for the month of April 2024. They received a total of 55 calls that included 16 EMS calls, 18 Fire calls, 20 motor vehicle accidents, and 1 other Fire calls for invalid assists / stand by-fill ins. The Fire Department did 3 fire station tours, besides the Open House and completed 465 hours of training.
- Mentioned that the Pet Parade went very well. Cinder really enjoyed it.
- Reported that the mirror on the ambulance was clipped by a box truck and is being repaired and they are using a spare unmarked red ambulance.

C.) REPORTS FROM VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

- Trustee Ramirez asked how Cinder's training was going. Chief Jones stated that she is doing very well and is at the top of her class.
- Trustee Liska stated that the village should inform realtors of the codes before they sell homes in the village. Administrator Dropka stated that currently new residents are getting a welcome packet.

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- Trustee Ramirez asked how many homes are being rented in the village. Administrator Dropka stated that our auditor Azavar brought to our attention that there are a few Air B&B listings in the village, and he is looking into this. Trustee Liska mentioned that other villages only allow owners to rent homes after they have lived in the home for ten years.
- Trustee Ramirez asked if there was an update on IDOT. She stated that there is a lot of traffic on Oak Park Ave.
- Trustee Grossi suggested that they should put an officer on 45th and Clinton and that officer can radio ahead to another officer to stop traffic offenses.
- Trustee Nevarez asked if the light on 46th and Harlem Ave were fixed. Chief Zarate confirmed they are working.

D.) REPORTS FROM THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT:

- Stated that the Pet Parade went very well. Several trustees thanked Clerk McGuffey for all her work on this event.

12. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Residents mentioned that lately they have not seen that many police cars when out walking throughout the village.
- Resident asked what the difference was for calling the non-emergency number and calling 411. Chief Zarate stated that when you call the non-emergency number you speak to a real person who will dispatch the officers. When you contact 411 you are leaving a message that can be anonymous or you can leave your name but it can take time before you get a response.
- Park District President Dawn Walczak thanked public works and the board for displaying all the flags on the streets.
- Park District President Dawn Walczak and the Board of Commissioners asked if the village would be able to add a section on our Website for the Park District so that they could post their Agendas and also asked if they could provide a Park District welcome packet that we could distribute to new residents as well. *Dawn was advised to follow-up with Village Administrator Dropka.*
- Resident complained that his house is shaking a lot when vehicles drive over the speed bump on 45th and Oak Park and asked if they could move it. Public Works Superintendent Filec stated that they will be moving some of the speed bumps and has put in an order for more speed humps.

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Trustee Ramirez
 Second: Trustee Grossi

14. ROLL CALL:

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

15. ADJOURNMENT:

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To adjourn at 7:51 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura D. McGuffey

Village Clerk

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