



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 13, 2017
Village of Norridge
4000 N. Olcott Avenue
Norridge, IL 60706
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President Chmura.

Clerk Budnik called roll.

Present:

President Chmura
Clerk Budnik
Trustee Kucharski
Trustee Tannhauser
Trustee Sulimowski
Trustee Falagario
Trustee Gregorio
Trustee Gelsomino

Also Present:

Mark Chester, Village Attorney
Brian Gaseor, Village Engineer
David Disselhorst, Chief of Police
Joanna Skupien, Village Administrator
Village Residents

A quorum was declared.

President Chmura asked all to stand and pledge allegiance to the flag.

Motion by Gregorio, seconded by Kucharski to approve and adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 8, 2017, as presented.

President's Report

There was an airport meeting last Friday. The meeting ran about 2 hours with the objective of voting on runway rotation. The meeting was tense. Some communities are against the rotation. Park Ridge being one of them. They wanted to delay the vote. The vote prevailed and will now go to the FAA. Hopefully within the next year we will see changes to the rotation and noise.

FINANCE, LICENSES & CONTRACTS, *Trustee Gregorio:*

Trustee Gregorio had no discussion items for review. She asked if there were any questions regarding her consent agenda. There were none.

Motion by Gregorio, seconded by Kucharski to:

- (a) Accept the General Fund Accounts Payable Check Register for the month of October, 2017, as published.
- (b) Accept General Fund, Motor Fuel Tax Fund and Wireless 911 Fund Financial Report for the month ending October 31, 2017, as published.
- (c) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated October 5, 2017, in the amount of \$3,234.88 for the Village's share of Personal Property Replacement Tax.
- (d) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated October 6, 2017, in

the amount of \$325,180.16 for the Village's share of Home Rule Sales Tax.

- (e) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated October 6, 2017, in the amount of \$323,055.47 for the Village's share of Sales Tax.
- (f) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated October 13, 2017, in the amount of \$26,933.25, for the Village's share of Telecommunications Tax revenues.
- (g) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated October 16, 2017, in the amount of \$28,595.94 for the Village's share of Use Tax.
- (h) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated October 17, 2017, in the amount of \$114,679.25 for the Village's share of Income Tax.
- (i) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated November 6, 2017, in the amount of \$346,945.93 for the Village's share of Home Rule Sales Tax.
- (j) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated November 6, 2017, in the amount of \$339,725.51 for the Village's share of Sales Tax.
- (k) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated November 14, 2017, in the amount of \$27,069.59, for the Village's share of Telecommunications Tax revenues.
- (l) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated November 15, 2017, in the amount of \$30,411.22 for the Village's share of Use Tax.
- (m) Accept ACH payment from the Illinois Comptroller's Office, dated November 16, 2017, in the amount of \$86,306.34 for the Village's share of Income Tax.
- (n) Accept Check #520586337 dated November 1, 2017 from Comcast for Cable Franchise Fees covering the period July 1, 2017 to September 30, 2017 in the amount of \$37,831.53.
- (o) Accept the quarterly report from Frank J. Baker & Company, Ltd., Certified Public Accountants, 950 Lee Street, Des Plaines IL 60016, for the three months ended October 31, 2017.

Kucharski, Tannhauser, Sulimowski, Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino Yea. Nays none.
Motion carried.

LAW & ORDINANCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, *Trustee Falagario:*

Trustee Falagario had no discussion items for review. He asked if there were any questions regarding his consent agenda. There were none.

Motion by Falagario, seconded by Gregorio to approve items (a), (b), (d), (e), (f):

- (a) Adopt and approve Resolution No. 2017-12, A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ILLINOIS BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS. The President and Clerk be authorized to sign, the Clerk be directed to publish in pamphlet form.
- (b) Adopt and approve Resolution No. 2017-13, A SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION (Supplement to Resolution No.) FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE to appropriate an additional \$30,000.00 of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the purpose of maintaining streets and highways under the applicable provisions of the Illinois Highway Code from May 1, 2014 to April 30, 2016.

- (d) Refer the petition of Peter K. Lee, Attorney for Harmony Spa Cumberland, Inc., requesting a special use under the requirements of Article X, Section 5 – Special Uses of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Norridge – 1962 for the purpose of operating a massage establishment at 5050 N. Cumberland Avenue, Suite 15P-16Q, to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a public hearing to be held on January 8, 2018 and their recommendation to the Village Board.
- (e) Refer the petition of John Cisol, requesting variations from the requirements of Article IV, Section 3 – Area Regulations – 3.1 – Intensity of Use (a) Required Lot Size of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Norridge – 1962 for the purpose of subdividing one lot into two lots to construct two single family homes at 4651-4653 North Thatcher Avenue, to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the public hearing to be held on January 8, 2018 and their recommendation to the Village Board.
- (f) Adopt and approve Ordinance No. 1911-17, “AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK FOR THE VILLAGE OF NORRIDGE, ILLINOIS: An Ordinance Adopting Changes to the Village Anti-Harassment Policy,” the President and Clerk to be authorized to sign, the Clerk be directed to publish in pamphlet form.

Kucharski, Tannhauser, Sulimowski, Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino Yea. Nays none.
Motion carried.

Trustee Falagario motioned for item (c) separately. He asked if there were any questions in regards to item (c). There were no questions.

Motion by Falagario, seconded by Gelsomino to

Approve (c) the petition of Raffiaelo Ciangaglione, requesting a special use under the requirements of Article VIII Weapons revised Municipal Code of the Village of Norridge, Illinois – 2002 and Article XV Administration, Section 4 Special Uses – Rules of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Norridge, revised December 14, 2014 to operate as a weapons dealer as part of a sporting goods business on the property located at 8334 N. Lawrence Avenue, hearing held on November 13, 2017, Case No. 623, and refer the matter to the Village Attorney to prepare the necessary amendatory ordinance.

Kucharski, Tannhauser, Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino Yea. Sulimowski Nay.
Motion carried.

CELL PHONES, CELL SITES and ELECRICAL AGGREGATION, *Trustee Sulimowski:*

Trustee Sulimowski mentioned that former Norwood Park Fire Chaplain and visiting priest at Divine Savior, Father Fred Tomzik has passed away this morning. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

POLICE, *Trustee Kucharski:*

Trustee Kucharski asked if there were any questions regarding her consent agenda. There were none.

Motion by Kucharski, seconded by Gregorio to:

- (a) Accept and approve resignation letter dated November 8, 2017 from Hung V. Le, resigning from his position as an Auxiliary Officer effective November 15, 2017.
- (b) Approve the application of and grant the issuance of a Solicitor’s Permit to Mihaela Alina Taut, 8100 W. Maple Avenue, Norridge for the purpose of solicitation related to

supplier electric and gas services offered by IGS Energy, 1751 Lake Cook Road, #270, Deerfield, pending successful passing of a background check as well as any other checks required by the Police Department.

- (c) Accept and approve resignation letter dated October 1, 2017 from Adele Iannotta, resigning from her position as a Crossing Guard, effective October 1, 2017. Adele has served the students and residents of the Village of Norridge for 23 years.

Kucharski, Tannhauser, Sulimowski, Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino Yea. Nays none.
Motion carried.

President Chmura and Chief Disselhorst asked Adele Iannotta to the front of the room and presented her with a plaque in appreciation of her 23 years of service as a crossing guard in the Village of Norridge. Chief Disselhorst mentioned that Adele has crossed students, parents and community members at the corner of Lawrence and Canfield since 1995. She worked at a busy corner and rarely asked for any time off. She also enjoyed working with the police department at safety town. Adele is a resident with family members still in the community as well. She will be missed.

Fellow crossing guards were in attendance and came to the front of the room to take pictures with Adele and board members.

VILLAGE PROPERTIES, HR, INSURANCE, VILLAGE BUS SERVICE, IT & ENVIRONMENT,
Trustee Gelsomino:

Trustee Gelsomino had no discussion items for review. He asked if there were any questions regarding his consent agenda. There were none.

Motion by Gelsomino, seconded by Sulimowski to:

- (a) Approve the Lease of Property Agreement between the Village of Norridge and the Senior's Assistance Center for the west portion of the premises at 7774 W. Irving Park Road for the period of November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2018 for the sum of one dollar (\$1.00).
- (b) Accept and approve the 2087 Paratransit Service Provider Agreement by and between Suburban Bus Division of the Regional Transportation Authority (PACE) and the Village of Norridge, "Service Provider", for the period of January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018.
- (c) Accept and approve resignation letter dated November 27, 2017 from Vickey Cantal, resigning from her position as the Village Receptionist/Customer Service Clerk effective December 31, 2017.
- (d) Accept and approve resignation letter dated November 30, 2017 from John J. Rein resigning from his position as Code Enforcement Officer effective December 31, 2017.

Kucharski, Tannhauser, Sulimowski, Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino Yea. Nays none.
Motion carried.

President Chmura asked Vickey Cantal to the front of the room. He presented Vickey with a plaque in appreciation of 15 years of service with the Village of Norridge. Vickey is a customer service representative at the front counter. She has helped hundreds of residents in her 15 years of service. She is a good person that goes the extra mile. Her presence is known in the office and appreciated by President Chmura.

Vickey accepted her plaque and took pictures with President Chmura, Kathy Gaseor and board members.

President Chmura asked John Rein to the front of the room. He presented John with a plaque in appreciation of 16 years of service with the Village of Norridge. President Chmura has known John for many years. It dates back to Norridge Park days. He is serious about what he does. He has helped the village in many different roles.

Presentation of plaque to John Rein.

John Rein thanked Jim and the Trustees, the department heads and his co-workers. It's been quite a trip. This is the year it's time to retire. He enjoyed his time with the village and the many roles he has worked. He thanked everyone again said he appreciates the support he has been given. He will see everyone again.

PUBLIC WORKS, WATER, TREE PROGRAM, PARKING, STREET LIGHT CABLE REPLACEMENT PROJECT: *Trustee Tannhauser:*

Trustee Tannhauser read the following news release:

(a) On November 14, 2017 the Village of Norridge released the following News Release:

Village of Norridge Replaces Street Lights through Energy Efficient Lighting Grants

Over the past 12 months, the Village of Norridge has been the recipient of rebate incentives awarded by the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) and the Com Ed Energy Efficiency Programs. Approximately \$200,000 awarded to the Village has allowed for the replacement of more than 200 outdoor street lights throughout the community. The outdoor lights retrofitted with LED energy efficient lighting is expected to result in an annual cost savings of approximately \$50,000 for the Village.

The Village of Norridge strives to set a high standard of leadership and competency in the promotion of sound conservation practices. Over the past 5 years, the Village has conducted energy savings audits to determine what types of lighting & HVAC projects are eligible for grant monies through DCEO. "The awarding of this grant is yet another example of how this and other similar initiatives are not only good for the environment but also saves tax dollars", said Village President James Chmura.

Questions, comments or further inquiries about the Village's Lighting Upgrade Replacement Project can be directed to the Village Hall at 708-453-0800.

Trustee Tannhauser asked if there were any questions regarding his consent agenda. There were none.

Motion by Tannhauser, seconded by Sulimowski to:

- (a) Accept Water Fund Monthly Financial Report for the month ending September 30, 2017 as published.
- (b) Accept the Water Fund Accounts Payable Check Register for the month of October, 2017, as published.
- (c) Accept request dated November 14, 2017 from Ernest W. Reichert and grant the issuance of signs for Parking for Persons with Disabilities to be installed in front of his home at 4207 N. Overhill Avenue and, if approved, to refer the matter to the Law and Ordinance and Economic Development Committee for preparation of the necessary amendatory ordinance.
- (d) Accept Coliform Results report from Suburban Laboratories, Inc. as required by the IEPA Community Water Supply Testing Fund Program, of water sample analysis

- performed November 6, 2017.
- (e) Accept Coliform Results report from Suburban Laboratories, Inc. as required by the IEPA Community Water Supply Testing Fund Program, of water sample analysis performed November 13, 2017.
- (f) Accept Coliform Results report from Suburban Laboratories, Inc. as required by the IEPA Community Water Supply Testing Fund Program, of water sample analysis performed December 4, 2017.

Kucharski, Tannhauser, Sulimowski, Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino Yea. Nays none.
Motion carried.

GENERAL, Clerk Budnik:

Clerk Budnik mentioned the following:

- (a) The Village of Norridge food drive benefiting The Salvation Army Norridge Citadel is still ongoing. To date, thanks to the generosity of the community and staff, we have delivered 7 boxes of non-perishable foods to the Salvation Army. The container receptacle is located inside the Village Hall lobby and will be there until December 31, 2017. A list of needed food items is located at the front counter. Please help if you can.
- (b) LifeSource Norridge Donor Center located at 5050 N. Cumberland Avenue is asking the community to donate blood. Every two seconds someone needs blood. Your donation counts. More information, including center hours and information on how to schedule an appointment can be found in the flyer at the front counter and online.
- (c) If you know of a boy or girl who would like to receive a letter from Santa, please contact the Village Hall and ask for Kathy Gaseor. Requests must be made by December 18, 2017.

Clerk Budnik asked for a motion to accept item (a) under her consent agenda.

Motion by Sulimowski, seconded by Tannhauser to

- (a) Accept letter dated November 12, 2017 from Misericordia Heart of Mercy Center and grant permission to fund raise for their Annual Misericordia/Jelly Belly Candy Days event. Volunteers will stand in the street intersections and in front of heavy pedestrian walkways or stores and businesses distributing tags and packets of Jelly Belly Candy while collecting donations for Misericordia on Friday, April 27, 2017 and Saturday, April 28, 2017.

Kucharski, Tannhauser, Sulimowski, Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino Yea. Nays none.
Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Sheldon Berger

- Under the President's Report regarding runway rotation, does that mean runways will not be demolished? There was discussion regarding the SE-NW run way being decommissioned. Short response from President Chmura.
- Is it Ace Hardware that will be selling guns? What exactly will they be able to sell? Will they do any gun repairs? How many dealer licenses in the Village are there right now?
- Under Police item (b) Solicitors permit issued today however they were at his home yesterday. How is approval given to applicants? Should they be out before the board vote's approval?

- Public Works – The paving on Overhill’s north half of the 4100 block is fine the south half is still crumbling including the temporary patch work. Nothing has been done since he last mentioned this.

Short responses were given to each of Mr. Berger’s comments.

Joe DiGiovanni

Mr DiGiovanni had a concern with the property at 4013 Osceola. It has recently been sold and new owners were doing renovations. Garbage has been piled in the yard, a fence was extended to the back of the property and they are parking on the property off the alley. He has asked nicely to have it maintained and nothing was done. He asked the board to look at the property and address the concerns there.

Colleen Lizak

Ms. Lizak voiced a concern with the zoning request for selling rifles and hand guns in the village. As a retired school teacher who has seen the effects of gun violence first hand she strongly opposes this decision by the board. Teachers now have to teach students what to do in a lock down situation which includes hiding in closets and blocking the doors. What is the value of selling guns in Norridge? She has never heard of anyone looking for guns in town. What about the safety of residents? Will there be any training or security involved with allowing for this decision to sell?

Mary Walsh

Ms. Walsh stated she agrees with statements made by Ms. Lizak. Neighborhood store selling guns is not appealing. She is disappointed in both the zoning and village boards approving this. The store will be losing two good customers.

Responses were given by both Mark Chester, Village Attorney and President Chmura.

After comments from the public were completed, President Chmura mentioned a dilemma he was in. He ordered a case of wine to give each of the Trustees. Instead of getting one case he received one bottle. He decided to give it to his favorite trustee and brought it to Dominic Sulimowski.

Motion by Gelsomino, seconded by Gregorio that, there being no further business, meeting be adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Kucharski, Tannhauser, Sulimowski, Falagario, Gregorio, Gelsomino Yea. Nays none.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.


James Chmura, Village President

ATTEST:


Debra J. Budnik, Village Clerk