

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF
TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD NOVEMBER 4, 2020**

I. President Byrne called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. Roll call indicated the following Board Members present: Trustees Koch, Marquardt, Oppenheim, Forster, Schultz, and Takaoka (via telephone). A quorum was established.

Motion by Trustee Koch, second by Trustee Marquardt, to allow Trustee Takaoka to participate in the meeting via telephone.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 7 – Schultz, Oppenheim, Takaoka, Koch, Marquardt, Forster, Byrne

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion carried.

Also present were: Village Manager Fleischhauer, Assistant Village Manager Petrillo, Community Development Director Atkinson, Chief Kreis, Public Works Director Brown, CFO Cratty, Village Attorney Ferolo, and Recording Secretary DeAnda.

III. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

IV. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

Chris Meier stated she had concerns with the two recently approved developments. Some of the concerns she expressed about the Everleigh development were the units were not affordable, too small, and the parking was inadequate.

V. Officials Reports

A. Village President

B. Village Manager

1. Declaration 20-15 – Continuation of a State of Emergency in the Village of Vernon Hills

Village Manager Fleischhauer advised that a State of Emergency would continue in the Village until November 17.

C. Assistant Village Manager

D. Finance Director/Treasurer

CFO Cratty gave a brief overview of the budget and possible effects of defeat of the Fair Tax Amendment.

E. Chief of Police

F. Public Works Director/Village Engineer

G. Director of Community Development

VI. Omnibus Vote Agenda

President Byrne called for a motion to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda Items A-F. Trustee Schultz requested to pull Item D. President Byrne called for a motion to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda Items A-C, E and F.

Motion by Trustee Schultz, second by Trustee Koch, to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda Items A-C, E and F.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 7 – Schultz, Oppenheim, Takaoka, Koch, Marquardt, Forster, Byrne

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion carried.

A. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. FINANCE AND TREASURER'S REPORT – AUGUST 2020

B. RATIFICATION OF SPECIAL VOUCHER LIST OF BILLS DATED OCTOBER 22, 2020 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$336,403.65 PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-03

C. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER LIST OF BILLS DATED NOVEMBER 4, 2020 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,158,012.30

E. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2020-123 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH DEARBORN NATIONAL/BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD (BCBS) TO PROVIDE LIFE INSURANCE FOR THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS EMPLOYEE GROUP TERM LIFE INSURANCE PLAN

F. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2020-124 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN VILLAGE EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS AND HAVING LITTLE VALUE TO DISPOSE OF IN AN APPROPRIATE MANNER

PULLED TO BE VOTED ON SEPARATELY

D. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 20, 2020

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Forster, to approve the minutes of the Regular Village Board meeting of October 20, 2020.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 5 – Oppenheim, Koch, Marquardt, Forster, Byrne

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSTAIN: 2 – Takaoka, Schultz

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion carried.

VII. New Business/Communications

1. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2020-125 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF SITE PERMIT FEES FOR HAWTHORN SCHOOL DISTRICT 73

Motion by Trustee Koch, second by Trustee Oppenheim, to approve ORDINANCE 2020-125 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF SITE PERMIT FEES FOR HAWTHORN SCHOOL DISTRICT 73.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 7 – Schultz, Oppenheim, Takaoka, Koch, Marquardt, Forster, Byrne

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion carried.

2. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2020-126 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, APPROVING A TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT FOR THE HAWTHORN MALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Koch, to approve ORDINANCE 2020-126 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, APPROVING A

TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT FOR THE HAWTHORN MALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

Roll call vote:

AYES: 7 – Schultz, Oppenheim, Takaoka, Koch, Marquardt, Forster, Byrne

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2020-127 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS DESIGNATING THE HAWTHORN MALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA OF SAID VILLAGE A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA PURSUANT TO THE TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION REDEVELOPMENT ACT

Motion by Trustee Schultz, second by Trustee Marquardt, to approve ORDINANCE 2020-127 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS DESIGNATING THE HAWTHORN MALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA OF SAID VILLAGE A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA PURSUANT TO THE TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION REDEVELOPMENT ACT

Roll call vote:

AYES: 7 – Schultz, Oppenheim, Takaoka, Koch, Marquardt, Forster, Byrne

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2020-128 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ADOPTING TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION FINANCING FOR THE HAWTHORN MALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

Motion by Trustee Koch, second by Trustee Oppenheim, to approve ORDINANCE 2020-128 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ADOPTING TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION FINANCING FOR THE HAWTHORN MALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

Roll call vote:

AYES: 7 – Schultz, Oppenheim, Takaoka, Koch, Marquardt, Forster, Byrne

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion carried.

Village Attorney Ferolo gave an overview of the Village Board's actions, events, and approvals taken prior to adopting the TIF for the Hawthorn Redevelopment Project.

5. TREE LIGHTING DISCUSSION

Village Manager Fleischhauer suggested holding the tree lighting outside with social distancing/masks required and streamed on Facebook. The Board directed staff to research maximum crowd allowance or holding the ceremony totally electronically to be discussed at the November 17 meeting or a poll of the Board.

VIII. Unfinished/Additional Business

Trustee Schultz thanked Lake County residents for the all-time high voting turnout. He stated he has enjoyed his 16 years as Village Trustee but would not run in the April 2021 election.

President Byrne thanked the election judges for their efforts.

IX. Recess/Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Schultz, second by Trustee Marquardt, to adjourn the Board meeting.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 7 – Schultz, Oppenheim, Takaoka, Koch, Marquardt, Forster, Byrne

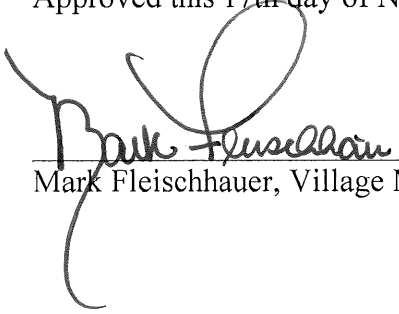
NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion carried.

The Village Board meeting was adjourned at 6:54PM.

Approved this 17th day of November 2020.



Mark Fleischhauer, Village Manager



Roger Byrne, Village President