

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK
HELD ON August 15, 2016 8:00 P.M.

Administrative Staff Present: Gregory Baker, Police Chief; Mr. Brian Kolosh, Fire Chief; Mr. Frank Knittle, Director Community Development; Mr. Ed Stewart, Director Recreational Services; Mr. George Gunkel, Director Public Works; Mr. Tim Lapp, Village Attorney; Mrs. Pat Barker, Village Engineer; Mr. Jason Huisman, Village Administrator; Ms. Pat Mahon, Deputy Village Administrator; Mr. John Watson, Director of Economic Development; Ms. Beth Herman, Village Treasurer; Mr. Mike Veronie, Deputy Clerk; Ms. Mary Ann Thornton, Director Public Relations and Marketing

Clerk Penman announced that President De Graff was absent with notice and asked for a motion to name a President ProTem for tonight's meeting. Trustee Johnson moved to appoint Senior Trustee Larry DeYoung as President ProTem. Trustee Sullivan seconded the motion. Ayes all on the roll.

President ProTem DeYoung called the meeting to order and Clerk Penman called the roll.

Present: Trustees Vickie Perkins, John Sullivan, Andrew Johnson and Prince Reed

Absent with Notice: President Don De Graff, Trustee Cindy Nysten

Pastor Matt Waterstone from First Reformed Church opened our meeting with prayer. President Pro Tem De Young thanked Pastor Waterstone.

Minutes

Trustee Sullivan moved that the reading of the **Minutes of the August 1, 2016** meeting be dispensed with, copies thereof having been distributed to each trustee, and the Minutes as presented be approved. Trustee Perkins seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Sullivan, Perkins, Johnson and Reed

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Pro Tem Larry De Young

Resident Comments

The flash flood on Friday, July 29 resulted in property damage for some residents. Several residents were in attendance expressing concerns and asking for clarity as to why the deep tunnel did not keep water from their homes, what was being done to help them, as well as whether there was money in the village budget to replace the property they lost. President Pro Tem De Young, Director Knittle and Director Gunkel addressed their concerns, explaining that the deep tunnel worked as it was designed to work. They explained that water damage came from the sewers and that in a very short timeframe, the flash flood simply produced more water than any sewer system could handle. Residents were informed that there is no budget line to replace their personal property, however our Flood Rebate Programs and our Sewer back-up prevention program will pay 50% of the cost, up to \$5,000 towards an overhead sewer. As for their personal items, their flood insurance or regular home owner's insurance could help. President Pro Tem De Young informed residents that the Village was helping as much as we can, reiterating that Public Works has special crews assigned to pick up flood damaged items from the curb, Team Rubicon was helping to mitigate mole and the Red Cross was also lending assistance. Regarding the availability of emergency funds, Mr. Huisman explained that we contacted Cook County DHSEM, but we were told that our disaster did not meet their threshold criteria for state response therefore we should contact other organizations, such as the Red Cross. A representative from the American Red Cross shared the purpose and the process of their home assessments. Given the number of homeowners they have contacted and the number that actually met with them, they have shut down operations here, however, a number of clean-up kits are still available to any resident who was effected by the flash flood. Ms. Mahon shared the names of other organizations we are contacting as we seek additional help for residents.

Engineer's Report

Ms. Barker had no report this evening.

Attorney's Report

Mr. Lapp had one item this evening, a **Class 8 Resolution for Debbie Sale & Dale Brown – 16102 South Park Ave.** Trustee Sullivan moved to adopt the **Resolution** as presented. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Sullivan, Johnson, Perkins and Reed

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Pro Tem De Young

Community Development

Trustee Sullivan moved for approval of **Building Permits Nos. 16-0925 – 16-1015 as presented, representing a value of \$814,439.55 in community investments.** Trustee Johnson seconded the motion. Among these permits, Trustee Sullivan highlighted the following: \$6,000 – signage for Holland Printing

(the Shopper Building); \$12,000 – signage for Pacesetter/ Harry Major; \$13,000 – signage for BP Amoco; \$16,000 – electrical work and fire sprinkler for Service King; \$14,000 – new addition for Chicago Heights Glass.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Sullivan, Johnson, Perkins and Reed

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Pro Tem De Young

Parks and Recreation

Trustee Perkins shared that the Fall program books are now available at the Community Center, or you can view all program information on line at www.southholland.org.

Fall program registration will take place on Thursday, September 1, from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm for residents only, Friday September 2, from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm and Saturday, September 3, from 9:00 am to 2:30pm for open registration.

New program offerings for the fall include: Aqua Zumba, Jazz/ Funk Dance and Tap Dance.

Please remember that you can sign up and register for all Fall programs at the Community Center or online at www.southholland.org

Community Coordination

There was no report given in Trustee Nylen’s absence.

Finance

Trustee Sullivan moved for **Approval of payments of vouchers as listed on Register No. 896 for \$1,752,055.48** covering day-to-day operations, vendor payments and salaries. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Sullivan, Johnson, Perkins and Reed

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Pro Tem De Young

Public Safety

Trustee Johnson had no report this evening.

Public Works

Trustee Reed shared that Public Works has begun the 2016 MFT resurfacing projects. Church Dr. between Gouwens Lane and 157th St. will be restored, as well as King Dr. between Woodlawn East and 156th St. Concrete replacement of needed curb and sidewalks is taking place now, and the resurfacing of both streets will be done soon after.

President Pro Tem De Young asked if there were any additional business.

There being no additional business to come before the President and Board of Trustees, Trustee Sullivan moved that this meeting adjourn. Trustee Perkins seconded the motion. Ayes all on the roll. Meeting adjourned. Next regular meeting of the President and the Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, at 8:00 PM, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, County of Cook, South Holland, Illinois.

Approved by:

President

Sallie D. Penman, Clerk