

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK
HELD ON December 4, 2017 8:00 P.M.

Administrative Staff Present: Mr. Shawn Staples, 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. J Wynsma, Village Administrator; Ms. Pat Mahon, Deputy Village Administrator; Ms. Mary Ann Thornton, Director Public Relations and Marketing; Mr. John Watson, Director of Economic Development; Ms. Beth Herman, Village Treasurer

President De Graff called the meeting to order and Clerk Penman called the roll.

Present: Trustees Larry De Young, Vickie Perkins, Cindy Nysten, John Russell and Andrew Johnson

Absent with Notice: Trustee Prince Reed

Pastor Preston Winfrey from Pioneer Missionary Baptist Church opened our meeting with prayer.
President De Graff thanked Pastor Winfrey.

Minutes

Trustee Russell moved that the reading of the **Minutes of the November 20, 2017** meeting be dispensed with, copies thereof having been distributed to each trustee, and the **Minutes** as presented be approved. Trustee Nysten seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, Nysten, De Young, Perkins and Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Resident Comments

Dr. Jonell Jenkins of Vollbrecht Estates, shared that she had concerns regarding a few things that are happening in her neighborhood, such as unleashed dogs or kids playing basketball in the street, but she expressed thanks to the Board for the many good things that are happening in the Village.

Engineer's Report

Ms. Barker had no report this evening.

Attorney's Report

Mr. Lapp had three items this evening. The first item included Tax Abatement Resolutions to abate all, or a portion of the bonds, for which we have other source of funds for repayment: **General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012**. Trustee Russell moved to authorize the **Resolution** as presented. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, Johnson, De Young, Perkins and Nysten

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A. Trustee Russell moved to authorize the **Resolution** as presented. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, Johnson, De Young, Perkins and Nysten

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015B. Trustee Russell moved to authorize the **Resolution** as presented. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, Johnson, De Young, Perkins and Nysten

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

The second item was the **2017-2018 Levy Ordinance**. Trustee De Young moved to adopt the **Resolution** as presented. Trustee Perkins seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees De Young, Perkins, Nysten, Russell and Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

The third item was the **MB Financial Signatory Update**, to account for the change in the Village Administrator. Trustee Perkins moved to adopt the **Resolution** as presented. Trustee De Young seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Perkins, De Young, Nylen, Russell and Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Community Development

Trustee De Young moved for approval of **Building Permits Nos. 17-1213, 17-1237 thru 17-1249, 17-1253 thru 17-1258, 17- 1260 thru 17-1271 as presented, representing a value of nearly \$400,000 in community investments.** Trustee Perkins seconded the motion.

Trustee De Young acknowledged permits for improvements to three of our older residential properties.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees De Young, Perkins, Nylen, Russell and Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Parks and Recreation

Trustee Perkins shared that you can join the South Holland Fitness Center today for only \$20 for the first month and receive a free 3-day guest pass with your enrollment.

Winter- Spring program information will be available on Monday December 11th at the Community Center and online at www.Southholland.org. All programs begin on Saturday January 13th.

Winter- Spring program registration will take place on Thursday January 4 from 9am to 7pm for residents only, Friday January 5 from 9am to 7pm and Saturday January 6 from 9am to 2:30pm for open registration.

Please remember that you can register for all programs online at www.Southholland.org beginning on Friday January 5th at 9am.

Community Coordination

Trustee Nylen acknowledged the efforts of every department involved in orchestrating another successful Winter Wonderland, stating that this went beyond the concept of *Good to Great*. It was well run, with nothing but rave reviews. Thanks to all for what you did to make it successful. President De Graff echoed Trustee Nylen's sentiments and added a special thanks to Frank Knittle for his many years of being our Santa. Over 400 kids visited Santa this year, and over the years, there have being more than 3000 kids.

The annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute is 10:00 A.M. Saturday, January 13, 2018, at Christ Community Church. The church is located at 1151 E. 170th Street. The guest speaker is Dr. Jeanne Porter King, known for her transformative messages as an inspirational and leadership development speaker. The tribute will include performances by the South Holland Master Chorale, Christ Community Church Choir, led by Trustee Prince Reed, Rev. Dr. Ozzie E. Smith, Jr., an African Drum Ensemble, and African Dancers.

Finance

Trustee Russell moved for **Approval of payments of vouchers as listed on Register No. 936 for \$3,350,932.87** covering day-to-day operations, vendor payments and salaries. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, Johnson, De Young, Perkins and Nylen

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Public Safety

Trustee Johnson had no report this evening.

Public Works

In Trustee Reed's absence, Trustee Perkins shared that from now until April 1, 2018, residents can use their yard waste receptacles for regular garbage.

President De Graff asked if there were any additional business.

President De Graff shared that our Dec. 18th Village Board meeting will take place at 7:00 P.M. instead of 8:00 P.M.

There being no additional business to come before the President and Board of Trustees, Trustee Nysten moved that this meeting adjourn. Trustee De Young 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 Monday, December 18, 2017, at 7:00 PM, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, County of Cook, South Holland, Illinois.

Sallie D. Penman, Clerk

Approved by:

President