

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK
HELD ON March 18, 2019 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; Mr. John Hilsen, Village Engineer; Mr. J Wynsma, Village Administrator; Ms. Pat Mahon, Deputy Village Administrator; Mr. John Watson, Director of Economic; Ms. Beth Herman, Village Treasurer

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

Minister Samuel Morgan from Eagles Nest Worship Center opened our meeting with prayer. President De Graff thanked Minister Morgan.

Minutes

Trustee Nysten moved that the reading of the **Minutes of the February 19, 2019** meeting be dispensed with, copies thereof having been distributed to each trustee, and the **Minutes** as presented be approved. Trustee De Young seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

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

Resident Comments

Mr. Gonzalez, 165th and Vincennes, expressed concerns regarding a crosswalk in his area with poor visibility due to large bushes. He is afraid that drivers cannot see pedestrians until they have stepped into the street. Similarly, he has concerns regarding the intersection at Vincennes and Taft. Currently there is a 4-way stop sign, but with heavy traffic, poor lighting and faded striping on the road, there is a safety issue. He believes this intersection should have a traffic light. Both Chief Staples and Director Gunkel will follow up on his concerns. Mr. Gonzalez also shared his concerns regarding the affect the Glenwood Electrical Plant will have on South Holland. He has been told there could be health issues as well as a drop in our property value. President De Graff shared that we had no information to support his concerns, however we would follow up.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Hilsen had one item this evening, a **Resolution of support for the submission of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds Application for program year 2019 for the Village of South Holland**. This resolution supports an application for grant funding from Cook County for street improvement to portions of Evans Ave, 160th Street, 161st Street, 164th Street and Woodlawn West Ave, which are located within areas of the Village designated by the County as low to moderate income. The grant provides funding for construction costs associated with street patching and resurfacing, curb repair, sidewalk repair and ADA improvements. A total of \$400,000 in funding is being requested from the County. Trustee Reed moved to approve the **Resolution** as presented. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

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

Attorney's Report

Mr. Lapp had no report this evening.

Community Development

Trustee De Young moved for approval of **Building Permits Nos. 18-1227, 19-0053, 19-0054, 19-0063, 19-0065, 19-0076, 19-0077, 19-0078, 19-0081, 19-0087 through 19-0107, 19-0109, 19-0110, 19-0111, 19-0113, 19-0114, 19-0116 through 19-0123, 19-0127, 19-0128, 19-0129, 19-0131, 19-0133 through 19-0137, 19-0139 through 19-0148, 19-0152 through 19-0155 as presented, representing a value of approximately \$700,000 in community investments**. Trustee Perkins seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

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

Parks and Recreation

Trustee Perkins shared that tickets are currently available for our Daddy Daughter dance, entitled "Movie Star Night". All young ladies ages 3 to 10 are encouraged to come in their favorite dress and enjoy a night of food, games and dancing. Dads are encouraged to dress up as well. This year's dance will take place on Friday, March 28, at 6:30 PM.

Community Coordination

Trustee Nylen reminded everyone of the upcoming New Resident Breakfast, Saturday, April 13, 9:00AM, at the South Holland Community Center. Anyone who has moved to South Holland over the past year is invited to our new resident Breakfast. Attendees will be treated to breakfast, a brief presentation about what South Holland has to offer, and the chance to visit with South Holland clubs and organizations. If you are a new resident, please call or email Village Hall and we will send you more information.

Finance

Trustee Russell moved for **Approval of payments of vouchers as listed on Registers No. 973 and 974 for \$2,554,101.81** covering day-to-day operations, vendor payments and salaries. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, Johnson, DeYoung, Perkins, Nylen and Reed

Nays: None

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

Public Safety

Trustee Johnson had no official report this evening, however he took a moment to acknowledge a very informative Public Safety Committee meeting which was held earlier this evening.

Public Works

Trustee Reed reported that beyond the day to day activities, Public Works has been maintaining their vehicles and equipment, addressing water main repairs and canvassing the village for potholes that have surfaced due to winter.

There being no additional business to come before the President and Board of Trustees, Trustee Russell moved that this meeting adjourn. Trustee Johnson 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, April 1, 2019, at 8:00 PM, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, County of Cook, South Holland, Illinois.

Sallie D. Penman, Clerk

Approved by:

President