

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2007**

A. CALL TO ORDER at 7:30 pm by Mayor Margaret P. Fuller

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

Mayor	Margaret P. Fuller
Clerk	Dianne H. Larson
Deputy Clerk	Marcia Pollowy
Trustees	Mark Dobrzycki Michael Gadzinski Arlene Jezierny Demetrios Mougolias Therese Schuepfer Lester Szlendak
Attorney	Howard Metz

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

Marie Majka, 7542 W. Winnemac: I just wanted to mention how wonderful our Historic Walk was; there were over 100 people and it was just awesome to see all these people walk out of the Village Hall with Kevin's little Boy Scouts marching out there and walking down the street. Ed Connelly was our water boy and also the pit stop person and the police were there, the firemen were there and there was a nurse there. There was only one lady that had to come back because she got sick with the heat and there were guards that made sure that they all stayed on the street and watched them and then they all marched back in here; it was about a two mile walk. There were tables set up for food, you could not believe, from one end to another end; there were bananas and apples and pies and cakes and cookies and bagels and cream cheese and everything you could imagine. People were so in awe of all this food; they had coffee, they had water, they had Gatorade, it was just wonderful to see what wonderful spirit for the village. After that we had raffles and there were about 25 raffles and people were just in awe of this, they never expected that. For \$5.00 you got a t-shirt and you got water and food and you got to walk and the money that came to the Village Hall was given to the Senior Center and also for disability. I don't know how much we collected yet, but it was just really something.

The disappointing part of all this was none of the trustee were there. There was Dianne and she struggles, but she was there and Mark was there and Mark had a very sick baby that morning so he was a little bit late, but he was there; but none of the other trustees were there. It was all about support of the village, nothing else, just to be there for the village. We were disappointed about that and also nothing ever got in the paper, so we don't understand why that didn't happen. I know Ken took a lot of pictures but nothing ever was in the paper, our neighborhood paper. We don't know what happened. So, that's what I wanted to say; we're going to do other things, the committee wants to do other things. This was all for our 60th Anniversary, so we're hoping the trustees will get involved in this, the people will get involved in it. I think there were 67 people that had their pictures taken so far out of 10,000 people in Harwood Heights, something's wrong here, so I would think people need to go door-to-door and tell people you have to come to the Village Hall, have your picture taken, it would be a good thing.

Joe Carpino, 7420 W. Lawrence: A couple of points that are just FYI for the board members. I did have a question though, if I understand you right that there's not suppose to be questions, but it's something that did come about after the last meeting asking for a clarification regarding Vanderwalle & Associates. I see about the extension on the agenda and maybe I'm too simple minded, but I still don't understand and I cannot justify and I know it says in here "to be reimbursed by the developers" and the only thing I don't understand as far as I know right now there are no developers on hand as of right now. So, if they're being paid, was I wrong; I take it as we're paying them and again I just think that there's more that can be done with even local developers around here. I'll tell you what we've heard, just for information

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for all the trustees, what I hear around here constantly and Mayor Fuller was hoping and I guess you can get this same feedback, the thing that comes up most about our village, which is very true because I hear it every single day or night, when looking for somewhere to go to eat, places to shop, this comes up constantly that retail is the bigger request or desire of our residents here because what do we do, we all go to other villages, which is just a shame. We would really like to see, as we've said from the beginning as much of a pain as we may have been or I may have been or whatever, but we wanted from the beginning just nothing more than an array of condos, townhomes, retail; a little bit of everything is what we would like to see. Retail is the biggest thing on the people's minds that they would like to see in our village and whether or not, we've been told it that it won't bring in as much as putting in 100's of condos and maybe that's true but I would think that there are big enough businesses out there that could bring in a lot as well if we could get them and I'm not saying I even know how to bring them into the village; I'm not trying to say that I do. I just wish that we would look into that further.

The other big thing that the people I hear from all the time is our transfer tax and I share this myself. The new building right next door to us, there are plenty people that I know including myself that have looked at next door, but our transfer tax being one of the highest around as far as what my understanding is of it, people have expressed that all the time. Between the transfer tax, between our SSA tax on Lawrence Avenue and there would be new property tax on top of that which is probably almost going to be double of what it would be of what we're paying at the Courtyard. People have expressed and said "we can't afford to move next door, we can't afford to do that", so it's FYI to let you know what's on people's minds that I hear all the time. I tell people too, you know you're telling me at public meetings, expressing to the trustees, I'm sure they'd like to know that.

The last thing I wanted to say was at the end of the last meeting or after the public forum when the trustees were allowed to speak and the Mayor and everyone did speak, what I see going on, what I've seen going on for far too long and it's such a shame and actually it's embarrassing when there's just comments made at each other and cutting each other. I think the people have spoken who they want and we need somehow to get along, and not be the personal stuff; I know it's not easy but it has to be put aside somehow to get our village going and getting going forward. We all know what needs to be going and we need a lot of things to do and accomplish, but we've got to get along, we've got to get working. One of the biggest things I've heard in the past, Trustee Szlendak, when you gave your account on the overtime and in the winter and everything that you did; I tell you I respect you for that. You were out there so to speak, in the trenches, you saw everything that was going on, figured everything; to me that was one of the most responsible things that I saw. You figured things down to the penny on how and what, which I would think is very, very valuable and unless I mistook it, I pretty much saw that you were ridiculed for it and to me it's embarrassing and inexcusable. That's all I have to say; if you guys, like I said consider these points from Vanderwalle, to our transfer taxes, to all of us getting along.

Joan White, 7429 W. Winona: At the very first board meeting, after the April elections, in May, old trustees gave congratulations to the two newly elected members on the board and all gave confirmation about working together for the good of our town. Come the second board meeting in May, however, there was a sharp break in that trend of thought. A former trustee gave lament that one old trustee would hardly talk to him when he was a board member. And he pointed out that while board members spoke of "working together" at the prior meeting, they proceeded to "blackball" Trustee Dobrzycki and would not give him a certain committee that Mr. Schmidt thought he should have. He also spoke of bringing Harwood Heights into the Norridge Park District. For one thing, I do not think it's professional or becoming to a trustee to bring up personal ill feelings and "someone doesn't like me" commentary. Regarding the Norridge Park District, anyone can be involved with the park district programs at member fees if they agree to pay a couple hundred dollars per year, the identical taxes that Norridge residents pay. Young families might want to do this, but would older residents want to do that?

Regarding committee assignments, if memory fails, and one were to read copies of old minutes, it could be revealed that every new trustee gets to be head of one committee and a member of others, even with no experience. In most cases, this has always resulted in sort of a "shakeup" of some sort. For example, the new Trustee Fuller got the Ordinance Committee years back, with no claim of "senior" trustee status and with no one calling "blackball" at that time. Trustee Dobrzycki was on the Sewer & Water Committee and never was on the Ordinance Committee until Trustee Fuller became Mayor and then she had Dobrzycki assigned to the Ordinance Committee. No one called "blackball" at that time. And although Trustee Jezierny was really the senior trustee at one time, Trustee Dobrzycki took away one committee from Trustee Jezierny; but again, there were no cries of "blackball", and there were no board meeting lamentations by

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those trustees who were negatively affected. Sometimes we choose to forget all these details. Even the Mayor proceeded to give comment that the trustees were not collaborating, because they were not following her approved selection of trustee assignments. Has everyone forgotten that voters elected two new trustees because they wanted change? Possibly change from board members who would only follow the Mayor's bidding. They wanted trustees who would think independently. This new board membership is evidently doing that and many of us hope it will continue.

I attended the last Finance Committee meeting and learned that the initial budget worksheets if allowed to become the new appropriation would result in a huge deficit for our town. It was quite a welcome relief to hear the new Finance Chairman, Trustee Szlendak, state that he would not support an unrealistic appropriation and that many cuts would have to be made. For at least the last four years, the former Finance Chairman ignored the fact that the expenses listed in the appropriation ordinance were much higher than the real anticipated income and as a result, each year found the village dipping into the bank cash reserves by at least \$1 million or more. According to some preliminary reports, the year which just ended might come close to being balanced, but this is only because we got in \$1.3 million from the sale of our old Village Hall. This gave additional money over and above regular income to cover the high spending of last year.

I have to say that I disagree with comments made by Trustee Dobrzycki right after the election, on Polish radio, and also by former Trustee Schmidt at the last meeting and in newspapers, when they both stated that because of the results of the April election, the village will be going backwards. I personally was very pleased to see the new trustees elected and I think our new board should be given a chance to study and evaluate the problems which evidently have been dropped on them.

And just one more thing, all news reports indicate the housing slump will continue because of oversupply and drop in demand, but, no one seems to be blaming the Harwood Heights November referendum for this nationwide housing market condition.

Herman Wu, 4746 W. Odell: First, the Harwood Heights Historical Committee would like to thank everyone that was involved with our walk two weeks ago. We had a tremendous turnout and everything and I think it was a shame that the trustees decided not to show up for this walk, I mean they are representing our village and should have been there. They just took office; this would have helped them out a lot.

And furthermore, I thought there was a limit on the time when we talk on the floor and I'd like to see that rule enforced.

And I would like to thank all the people who donated for all our prizes for the walk and everything and it was a success, thanks to Mayor Fuller and Mark.

Marge Naegele, I live in Harwood Heights: I haven't been able to come to some of the meetings because as a realtor I work from 8:00 in the morning to 10:00 at night, so, I just want to congratulate all the new trustees that were recently elected and I agree, I truly, truly hope that you people all stop the tit for tat; that we don't come to the meetings and have to hear this over and over again. If you have tit for tat do it somewhere else but not in front of us, because I think as a group you can collectively do a great job and take our village to the next place we need to be.

I would also hope that public comment would come up here and be presented as well, and not be involved with tit for tat like some of our residents have a tendency to do.

So, congratulations to all of you and I wish you a very good term of office.

E. REPORTS OF MAYOR, TRUSTEES, CLERK AND ATTORNEY

Mayor's Report
Mayor Fuller

First, I'd like to address a couple things. Resident Joe Carpino didn't bring up what he brought up last meeting, but I did have an answer for you finally. The last meeting you had asked about the cleaning of your building and the Building Commissioner did finally get a hold of Zitella and what Zitella Corporation is asking for is that the Courtyard needs to put a letter in writing of everything that you would like them to do for you because of the job that they have next door to

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you. So, if you could put everything in writing to Zitella of what your concerns are then he can address them. So, that's what he's asking for.

The other thing is, transfer fees are revenue for the village. I don't think that's something we could look at, at this point, of stopping those transfer fees.

The other point that you brought up is stores; we would all like to see stores. But stores do their own marketing and they're looking for population. So a store's not going to come to an area where there's not enough population for them to do well, they do their own research. When we did the comprehensive plan we did look at mixed use; that is still something we would like to see, but yes, we would definitely like to see more stores in the area and restaurants, it's still a goal for us and I think that's pretty much the answer to some of those questions.

It's great to see so many flags flying in Harwood Heights today. On August 3rd, 1949, President Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14th of each year as National Flag Day. So, Happy Birthday to our Flag today.

The June 2nd History Walk was a lot of fun and we raised money for a good cause. I would like to thank all the Businesses who sponsored the t-shirts for the Walk and the businesses who donated food and drinks; also thank you to Amy Barreda from the Norridge Harwood Heights Newspaper for obtaining two donated ads that ran in the newspaper for the event. A big thank you to Cub Scout Pack 3084, for leading the walk and carrying their banner, they did an excellent job and were great leaders. Special thanks to Cubmaster Kevin Shuttleworth, the two den leaders, Patrice Augello and Amy Hardy, and the cub scouts Joe Augello, Scott Harbut, Ethan Hardy, Jimmy Kelly and Matthew Shuttleworth. I especially want to thank all the wonderful and dedicated volunteers: Tom & Darlene Bazzoli, Don and Faith Busch, Richard & Catherine Caporale, Ed Connelly Sr., Anthony Lamantia, Grace Muto, Marie Majka, Marge Naegele, Amy Nedic, Joan Norrick, Helen & Nick Pouloupoulos, Gail Radcliffe, Maria Salvador, Helen Schneider, Cindy & Andy Schmidt, Herman and Grace Wu, and our photographer Ken Havlich, I hope I am not forgetting anyone. These people did a great job not only distributing flyers and working the event, but in obtaining donations for the event and for the raffle. Marge Naegele obtained the Mario Tricoci gift Certificate for the original raffle and then Marie Majka obtained about 15 other raffle prizes herself, and Helen Schneider obtained a few and Richard Caporale took some video and donated some prizes so we had a large raffle and a great time. Thanks to all the volunteers because of them everything ran very smoothly.

So far we sold about 151 t-shirts at \$5 each and still have some available, if anyone is still interested in purchasing one, it is for a good cause. We had over 109 walking in the event with about 130 signed up.

I want to like to thank Trustee Dobrzycki for not only for contributing and walking with us, but donating his raffle prize back for a resident to win! And thank you to Trustee Mougolias who signed up and donated to the event but was unable to attend due to family obligations. As soon as we get all the bills in, we will be announcing how much will be donated to both the Senior Assistance Center and the West Suburban Special Recreation Association. And last but not least thank you to the police officers that made our walk not only safe, but did an excellent job while being very cheerful and helpful!

I'm pleased to announce that Lt. Maraviglia graduated from the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command. Congratulations to Lt. Maraviglia who received a \$15,000 scholarship and is a graduate of the 250th class. It was a grueling 10 week class but he did extremely well. Northwestern has been running these classes since 1933 and has graduated 8000 students.

Chief Podosek also completed a ten month course at Northwestern University Center for Public Safety titled "Senior Manager's Leadership Program;" the courses completed were in:

- Leadership
- Setting Organizational Goals/ Creating a Vision
- Resource Allocation: A Conceptual View
- Recruiting and Retention
- Mentoring
- Police Executive Decision Making

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- Successful Management Strategies for Generation X and Y Employees
- Interoperability Planning
- Threat Assessment/Crisis Management
- Illinois Legal Updates

Chief Podosek received notification from Mr. Ken Meyer, President of Plaza Bank & Trust Company regarding his request sent to Peter A. Fasseas, Chairman of the Board requesting a public donation from their banking institution to cover the cost of a new MPH Mobile Speed Sign that he purchased for increased traffic enforcement. The MPH Mobile Speed Sign actually cost \$10,500.00, but Chief Podosek was able to negotiate the price down to \$5,200.00; Plaza Bank has graciously offered to donate \$5,000.00 to the Village of Harwood Heights to cover the cost of this piece of equipment. We will have a formal presentation recognizing their gracious donation at the village board meeting on June 28th.

The Police Department has a summer intern, his name is Daniel Jaso; he starts his junior year at Dominican University in River Forest; Daniel is majoring in criminology and his minor is sociology; he is working five days a week at the Police Department; he is involved in handling court records filing, ticket input, communications, evidence storage, and he is working on the project of reorganizing the storage area; it will be his responsibility to label and identify each piece of equipment and supply that is presently kept in that storage area; he also participates in the Roadside Safety Checkpoints assisting in traffic control and he rides with the police officers periodically. Naturally, since this is a college requirement there is no cost whatsoever to the village.

The Mayor read a letter from the Village of Streamwood Chief of Police thanking our police officers for their assistance.

At this time I'd like to call up Corporal Nardulli and village resident and student of Maple Park Academy, Omar Al-Ani. Tonight we are recognizing Omar Al-Ani a student of Maple Park Academy for excellence in Mathematics, Science, History, Writing and Attendance. Omar has lived in Harwood Heights for 3 years and was recognized at the annual luncheon at Maple Park Academy by the teachers and students as a positive role model. He also excels in social skills and we congratulate Omar tonight for being a student that others want to emulate. Corporal Nardulli has been one of his mentors and he is as proud of him as we are and we are also proud of Corporal Nardulli. We thank Dr. Hans Schuller, Principal, the teachers, staff and Omar himself for producing such a fine student. On behalf of the Clerk and the Village Board I'd like to present a plaque to Omar Al-Ani tonight, we are proud to have him as a resident and a future leader in our community. - Certificate Presentation

Larry Noller and I attend various O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission Meetings. In fact, at one of these meeting is where I learned about the FAA grant and asked Paul May to look into applying for this grant. As you know runway 9R/27L is one the most highly utilized runways at night. This is the runway over Harwood Heights. Recently we learned that runway 9R/27L may be closed at night during construction until July 5th, it will then be renamed runway 10/28 and the runway will be lengthened.

Under the O'Hare Modernization Program, runway 9R/27L becomes a departure runway and a new parallel arrival runway will be constructed to the south and further west. This reconfiguration will shift the approach pattern for planes landing and should mean they are slightly higher over the village resulting in a decrease in noise as estimated by the new noise contour map from the FAA.

Because the Village is outside the 65 DNL noise contour, it is not eligible for sound insulation. The ONCC Technical committee works to reduce noise by working with the airlines, pilots, traffic controllers and ground crews. Larry Noller serves on this committee. Initiatives include the Fly Quiet Program in which airlines follow procedures to reduce noise such as adjusting flight paths at night to reduce noise over residential areas. The Tech committee also promotes upgrading to new aircraft that are quieter and using ground enclosures when testing engines during maintenance. Data is tracked to see how well each airline adheres to the Fly Quiet Program and awards are issued each year. The data is gathered using noise monitors, one of which is in Harwood Heights on Argyle. Links to the ONCC data can be found on the Village website or go to www.oharenoise.org

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At the last board meeting Trustee Szlendak reported that the Superintendent of Public Works had informed him that we have 22% of water unaccounted for. He mentioned that I said there was nothing wrong with the billing system and I want to clarify that the software company Innovative Software says there are no problems with the billing. I met with our engineer, and have been meeting with staff and the Superintendent of Public Works on a regular basis regarding this concern. We are still investigating the problem. The Superintendent of Public Works does not feel that there is a large water leak. But the cause may be a series of problems such as possibly many small leaks that together with other problems would cause these numbers to appear as they do right now. The other problems include the fact that a large number of homes are not being read because no one is home during the day, or residents are not mailing back the card with the reading on it, or meter readers are being turned away from the home even when someone is there. Also the use of the new hand held meter reading devices fall into this period. So combined this would cause the discrepancy but would be corrected once the meters are read. So we are working on a new policy for water reading, and hope to have this problem resolved soon.

This year, as in years past, our tap water met all USEPA and Illinois EPA (IEPA) drinking water health standards. The Village vigilantly safeguards its water supply, and we are able to report that Harwood Heights had no violations of a contaminant level or any other water quality standards. The report comes out every year and it summarizes the quality of water that was provided including where your water comes from, what it contains and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. Much effort goes into ensuring that you and your family get an abundant supply of clean, fresh water from Lake Michigan. The report will be available by July 10th.

I'm pleased to say that all the alleys were swept last week with the street sweeper; we've had many requests from residents asking for this service. Public Works repaired a collapsed sewer on the 4400 block of Newcastle which the Street and Sewer Commissioner Tom Bazzoli brought to our attention. The Superintendent informed me that all hydrant repairs are completed and all hydrants in the village are operational.

I have an update on the street light on Lawrence Avenue between Olcott and Oriole. Paul May and I met with Mayor Field and Norridge officials, because as I mentioned before I thought that Paul May was already working on this light fixture, and he was. We let them know that the street light will be bid out with the streetscape project because IDOT already approved the street light specifications that we submitted and we want all the new street lights to be the same. This light will be then taken out of the streetscape project and paid for separately. This will produce the best cost and keep the light the same as the rest along Lawrence. In the meantime I am working with Com Ed to get some temporary lighting installed on the current utility poles. I have been in contact with both Norridge and the Norwood Park Township and we are working together on this.

Almost all the items on the agenda tonight were discussed in committee. Motion I 8 is for the extension of the consulting services agreement with Vandewalle & Associates for the review and development applications and is fully reimbursable by the developer. I can add here that there are projects still going on, the Clock Tower is not completed, the Library is not completed; just recently we had some questions about the landscaping that was going in at the Clock Tower and I did call Vanderwalle to straighten that out. Motion I 7 extends the current contract for another 6 months for the implementation project management which is about \$9,700 left on that contract.

Our engineer Paul May was recruited by another town, so until we hire a new staff engineer we will be utilizing the engineering firms that were pre-qualified. On May 10th the board approved a motion to concur with the recommendation to prepare documents for the 2007 MFT program as documented in the Village Engineer's memo dated May 7, 2007. Motions I 10, I 11, and I 12 are for the 2007 MFT street and sidewalk projects for engineering and construction observation using Hancock Engineering, one of the firms that was pre-qualified and who did last years Gunnison Sewer Project. This years street projects include Odell Avenue from Foster to Argyle and Argyle from Oconto to Harlem. Motion I 13 is to approve Hancock Engineering to provide development review services, if and when needed, the costs are reimbursable by the developer and would cover projects being constructed in the village. Once we hire a new engineer the agreements allow for our in house engineer to take over the project. The agreements went to the attorney for legal review and there will be some changes for our benefit to the final documents so I would like to amend those motions and add the language "pending final documents" at the end of motions, I 10, 11, 12, 13.

Motion I 15 is to hire summer help for the office, one of our part time students left to do an internship. Motion I 20 keeps us as a participant in the West Cook Disposal Project and the cost is paid for by our disposal service and allows

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them a better price for disposal sites. Motion I 19 is the annual prevailing wage standards which must be adopted in June of each year. Motion I 21 for the Illinois State Treasurers E-Pay Program was discussed in committee and it will eventually allow payment of water bills through our web site and allows our Director of Administration, Larry Noller to do some testing such as allowing credit cards at the window before promoting general use via the Village website. This will give us some time to see how the system works and set up the necessary accounting. And Motion I 22, adopts the village health reimbursement arrangement that has been in place for a few years but was never documented, it was recommended by our auditors that we have something documented and it can be cancelled at any time. This arrangement has been saving the village about \$10,000 a year in insurance costs.

Our accountant has been very busy preparing draft documents for the Finance Committee's appropriation recommendations and has spent about 100 hours plus on it for this fiscal year. I hope the Finance committee brings the appropriation ordinance to the board agenda very soon as we are spending money without the ordinance in effect. For example the hearing officer is a new line item that needs to be approved so that we can adopt the ordinance the Police Chief prepared that was discussed months ago to begin the collection of funds for impound fees for towed vehicles which would generate revenue to offset the police costs involved. Staff and I will need to set up the hearing process so the sooner we can get this in place the better. It seems that everyone is on board with this process so hopefully we can move it along.

Tom Cirrincione, one of the family owners of Supparossa Foods, Cucina Biaggios a Harwood Heights restaurant, will receive Cardinal Joseph Bernadin's Humanitarian of the Year Award this Saturday evening at a gala downtown. He is being honored for his personal and professional charitable contributions.

Information/Technology
Trustee Dobrzycki

At the last Committee of the Whole Meeting, Larry Noller, our Director of Administration, brought the board up-to-date on our efforts to modernize and make more efficient our office information and storage systems.

Tonight's agenda includes item I-6, which refers to the Municipal Software, Inc. software that was chosen based on a thorough review including the input of village office staff over the past several months and is proposed to integrate the Village's financial and administrative functions. MSI gave a special presentation on May 16 to members of the board. It was very well received.

The software is very important because it allows a comprehensive approach to our network and storage systems that permit fast and dependable access.

Some of the board members asked for more information on a web based option. Mr. Noller has informed me that MSI only has 3 clients using the web-based option at the present time. His recommendation is to wait and see about a web-based accessible system. It is better not to be the guinea pig and let the system test out on others who are willing to get the bugs out of the system.

Also on tonight's agenda is item I-5 for a new server which would be dedicated to the MSI software system. NABTECH has given an excellent price on this necessary server, a 36% better price than the next reliable brand, Dell.

After further negotiations with Mr. Noller, MSI has agreed to an 11% reduction in price, including:

- Reduced application fees (\$2,000 reduction)
- Reduced vendor service fees (\$2,125 reduction)
- Reduced annual service fees (\$400 reduction)
- Additional 6 months of complimentary service (total free service to 1.5 years for a reduction of \$4,842)
- Lease Interest Rate reduced to 3% (\$3,819 reduction)

I urge the board to vote in the affirmative for the passage of these two items because they are to the great benefit of the village.

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I also encourage committee members, Trustee Szlendak and Gadzinski as well as all the board members to contribute their ideas and suggestions; as I am willing to contribute to the other committees of the board and to work together.

Forestry/Recreation
Trustee Gadzinski

Good evening ladies and gentleman, I just want to respond to Mr. Herman Wu in the audience, my personal opinion, and also a comment on our administration here. Obviously there is some favoritism going on within the audience and certain people of this administration and it would be nice to kind of drop it, it would be nice to get some things done, achieved and it would be nice to see the criticism stop. We were elected to work together and do the best that we can. So, it's not only a waste of my time to criticize people, but it's a waste of your time also because there are better things to do at 8:15 or 8:30 in the evening then being sitting here and criticizing one another, it makes no sense. I grew up learning from my father not to criticize people, I'm not going to do it, I have no time for it, and it's a waste of time. I hope it ends in the near future and for the administration I hope it also ends because if it doesn't we're not going to achieve anything.

Mayor Fuller: Ok, before we go on, what are you talking about with the administration? **Trustee Gadzinski:** Our administration, trustees on the board; we have to work together not criticize one another. **Mayor Fuller:** The administration would be like the office staff. **Trustee Gadzinski:** The trustees, the Mayor, the board. The board, the board, let's work together, let's not criticize one another and let's not favor one another, let's work together.

Public Works
Trustee Jezierny

I must report that the Trustees are taking great initiative to stimulate progress engaging in proactive steps in achieving even better results. During the past 2 weeks a Finance Committee and a Water & Sewer meeting were called by Trustee Szlendak and this week an Ordinance meeting was called by Trustee Schuepfer. As a member of these committees, I felt that the agenda discussions in the meetings that I attended were very informative and enabled active participation among members. This was a very good thing and felt very positive to be at those meetings with a lot of ideas shared by all members.

As Chairperson of the Public Works Committee, I too, have called a meeting to discuss the public works projects and to obtain updates as to where we stand with current projects; and to generate feedback as to what we can achieve in the future so we can have it ready for our appropriation ordinance which is shortly due.

It was my attention that the Public Works committee be updated on the status of all on-going Public Works projects. Unfortunately, the Mayor directed our on-staff Village Engineer not to attend a meeting that he previously agreed to and indicated to me that the Engineer has nothing to do with Public Works. Well, I have to sadly disagree on that.

This really concerns me as many attempts were previously made to obtain information about our streets, our allies or our sidewalk projects but to no avail. Since this was the last employment day of our Engineer, I found it important to update the Committee. I also discovered that no one was actually backed-up on any of the projects that were being activated through Paul May-- which only leaves the Mayor with this information. I even asked the Mayor to join us at the meeting but she refused.

Since the Mayor directed the Engineer to not to attend the meeting to which he agreed to days earlier, I request a complete written account of the progress to-date from the Mayor on the following Village projects pertaining to Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks. Further in the spirit of cooperation, I request that the report be submitted to ALL Trustees so we ALL know what is going on. Until then, I will pull items I-10, I-11, I-12 and I-13 from the agenda for Tabling, so they can all be discussed in Committee and all Trustees properly updated on what is transpiring.

Let me just for a moment reiterate the Village Ordinance on the Duties of the Public Works Committee...
The public works, streets, alleys and sidewalks committee shall report to the corporate authorities regarding the operations of those agencies of municipal government which are entrusted with the construction and maintenance of public works, streets and alleys. The committee shall make recommendations to the board regarding suggested upgrades, modifications and improvements in the operation of the department. The report of the committee shall be brought to the corporate authorities for consideration in the annual appropriation ordinance.

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It is disturbing, at the last Board meeting we found that the Mayor conducted a Public Works event without any knowledge of the Board or even Public Works employees. And now it's Construction documents and execution of projects without going through proper Committee. Our Constitutional law provides for proper checks and balances so that no one branch of government can become more powerful over the other. So, in the spirit of cooperation, let us really truly work together! No one person should have absolute control. As we elected officials, we need to coordinate all of our efforts to work on behalf of the people! And, I am hoping we are all elected for that purpose and I am willing to work with others. But I cannot conduct important Public Works committee meetings without information.

To report on some of the Public Works activities; and I beg your pardon if some of these are repeated because the Mayor did indicated some of the Public Works activity in her opening statement. Twice last year PublicWorks inserted mosquito pellets into our catch basins throughout the Village.

And, due to the good results of controlling mosquito population in our area; it in effect reduced the West Nile virus. Cook County Health Department is once again.... First before I go on I would like to check with Trustee Mougolias. Were you duplicating this information because I'm reporting on the Public Works crew? Do you have it? (Trustee Mougolias: Yes I have it). Then I will bypass this and let you do it. Because it is basically for the Health and Safety Committee, I will let Trustee Mougolias do that. I was just reporting what the Public Works crew was doing.

Public Works has begun their hot patching of streets and alleys. In addition, last week all alleys have been swept to remove debris; and sewer repairs where done and checked in alleys where needed.

The Annual Consumer Confidence Report was completed for the Water; and as required by the EPA. Copies are available at the Village Hall and the Library. This report was also published on page 12 in today's issue of the local Pioneer Press.

Regarding the Lighting on Lawrence:

At the last few meetings, I presented a requested to install lighting along the 7600 block of Lawrence. The purpose of the lighting is to prevent accidents from occurring due to this darken area to motorists who cannot see pedestrians. To update you, I have been advised that Commonwealth Edison is willing install temporary lighting on their existing polls until an InterGovernmental Agreement is worked out for permanent lighting. And that Agreement is certainly agreed to be worked on between the Township, Harwood Heights and Norridge. Although this may take a month or so before installation takes place at least we can get a head start. The only cost for the temporary lights is approximately \$20 per fixture per month (and is willing to be shared by 3 governmental bodies) until the final fixtures are in place. Currently, we are awaiting Mayor Fuller to obtain the Agreement with ComEd, and initiate the InterGovernmental Agreement between our surrounding participating communities. As Chairman of Public Works, I once again ask the Mayor to please share this information with the Committee.

Public Health & Safety

Trustee Mougolias

On the agenda tonight is item I 2, an expense for \$14,475 to be paid to WatchGuard Video; this is for 3 in car video systems. One will replace an old unit in one of our squad cars; the other 2 will be installed in cars that currently do not have any cameras installed. These video systems are very helpful in traffic stops and/or arrests because they document the whole incident. This does not only assist the officers, it also reduces the village's liability against any false accusations against the department. It also protects the citizens against any violation of their rights. The agenda says it will be expensed to Police General Fund, but I would like to note it will be expensed to line item # 9009, which is a fund that is for the purchase of DUI equipment, since these cameras are very important in documenting a DUI traffic stop. With this video documentation we will have a much better chance of securing convictions.

Item I 4, is our final payment to Clarke Mosquito for the contract we are currently in. This payment reflects a credit issued because Public Works has been trained to treat our catch basins, so this service was not needed from Clarke Mosquito.

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With the beautiful summer weather here, I am sure most of the residents will be spending a lot of their time outdoors. As you enjoy the outdoors, I would like to remind you to take the necessary precautions to protect yourself against mosquito borne infections, namely, West Nile Virus. The village will take numerous measures to help our residents by treating our catch basins, periodically spraying and constantly monitoring the area for infected mosquitoes or other animals such as birds. This year, as we did last year, our own Public Works crew has treated our catch basins with pellets that will help prevent the unborn mosquitoes from hatching. This was done on May 31st and June 1st, as of then all catch basins were treated. We are also contracted with Clarke Mosquito to monitor for infected insects and if needed to spray for adult insects that may appear in the area.

On a personal level, each resident can help by eliminating any standing water in his or her yards. Anytime you are outdoors, always use mosquito repellent containing deet; this ingredient has demonstrated a higher degree of efficiency in combating against mosquito bites. It is extremely important that we take precautions. I hope everyone does enjoy the summer weather, but just take precautions when you're outside.

Ordinance/License
Trustee Schuepfer

Good evening, I have my first report from the Ordinance & License Committee, we met for the first time on June 12th and as part of the agenda I asked Trustee Dobrzycki to provide us with an overview. I thought it was a very important thing to facilitate a successful transition in chairpersonship. Trustee Dobrzycki provided us with an overview of really within the last year what ordinances have been approved, what ordinances are currently under revision, what ordinances are in fact, moving through the draft process and then we were also discussing areas in which we may in fact have a need for an ordinance; so we're trying to get the big picture. And I think one of the things that were essentially revealed in our conversations was that we probably needed some type of an organizational strategy to kind of keep track of what was happening. So, the committee discussed the possible development of a flow chart and this flow chart would essentially track ordinances as they move through the process so that anytime any trustee, the Mayor or in some sense the office staff would be able to refer to this document and answer any question that a resident might have.

After the meeting I in fact contacted the Mayor because there were some things that we just wanted to talk about, what was the status of a particular ordinance in terms of its revision. And I suggested to the Mayor that it might be a good example of transparency in government if we made it a spreadsheet or a flowchart like this available to the public as well. And, so the Mayor and I had a quick conversation about the possibility of posting this flowchart on the village website and I understand that the Mayor will have conversations hopefully with Larry Noller about how we might implement something like this. And so I hope together with the two trustees on the committee and myself to work on this particular flowchart and certainly bring it before the Committee Meeting of the Whole for further discussions, there may be some better ideas about what kinds of categories we would have on the flowchart like that.

The other thing that we discussed was that, it's again very important to residents to be aware of what kinds of ordinances are out there. And while it's absolutely wonderful that we have electronic posting now by LexusNexus, we learned that Lexus Nexus, or at least I learned, that LexusNexus posts only once a year. So, even though many of us have been attendees as board members and we take home the packets, the paper copies of ordinances that have been passed, the residents that are not regular attendees, there isn't a way for them necessarily to say "oh, I wonder if that was passed in the last year". So again, we talked about the possibility of creating a section on the Harwood Heights website that would in a sense be kind of the update in the last year, these ordinances have been passed, so that not only can you go to LexusNexus for what's currently posted, but for example anything that's been posted in the past year, that has been passed in the last year by the board but not yet posted by LexusNexus would also be available for the public as well. And that's something else the Mayor and I discussed and hope to bring forward to the Committee Meeting of the Whole.

Overall, it really was a very positive meeting. The other thing that we discussed at that time, were different strategies to identify ordinances that may need to be updated or to also examine areas in which we may in fact be missing an ordinance. Later on again in a conversation with the Mayor, the Mayor reported to me that Scott Harrington, when he had looked at the code, I don't think he made derogatory remarks, but he said there were some problems and there were some things that needed to be changed. So, we're also looking forward to perhaps getting kind of a list for a suggestion of things we may want to attend to.

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So, hopefully one of the strengths that I bring to this particular committee is my ability to organize, to bring and promote transparency and to better allow the public to have access to the ongoing workings of this particular committee.

The other thing that I would like to report on, I do want to extend a personal thank you to Attorney Metz. Because I had the opportunity to not only talk to him but also have some email correspondence. And that was, that he really helped me better understand how to be in compliance with the Opening Meetings Act and specifically when addressing the role of attendance at committee meetings by non-member trustees and what kinds of roles they really can play within those types of discussions without calling into question whether or not there's a violation of the act. And I want to thank you for that clarification.

Finance
Sewer & Water
Trustee Szlendak

Water & Sewer Committee, we have still not found the missing water, about three months in a row we're approximately 22%, that we're not billing for. We're making some progress, unfortunately what I heard today by Terry Schuepfer, is that outside meters that are getting estimated readings on them; that is something we need to really look at because we cannot get the accurate readings and we're billing blind. We're going to have to act on it; it's a tremendous, tremendous drain on our water & sewer budget.

Here comes the bad news; last week we had the Finance Committee meeting, going into that meeting I anticipated a 1.5 million dollar proposed budget deficit in our general fund, well, that number was revised. We are currently facing a \$2, 267,530; 2.2 million dollars in the hole or a little bit more. The really bad news comes in is that we only have 2.2 million dollars in the bank, the general fund. So, unless we do some major cutting we're going to be broke. Everything has to be on the table, every single thing that we can possibly cut we're going to have to take a look at it. My best guesstimate is probably another million and a half will have to come out of that budget and it's going to be extremely painful because so many of those items were under contract for at least the next 12 months, there's nothing we can do about it. It's a true eye opener, but we have to get together very shortly and look at every single thing that we can deal with. We have to look at every single revenue source because we cannot afford a 2.2 million dollar deficit.

Clerk's Report
Clerk Larson

We received from the Norwood Park Fire Protection District the alarm report; Fire Alarms for May: Norridge – 69, Harwood Heights - 45 and 3 for the Township. Ambulance Alarms for May: Norridge – 137, Harwood Heights – 77, Township – 4 and Mutual Aid Given – 3. Total Alarms for May: Norridge – 206, Harwood Heights – 122, Township – 7, Mutual Aid – 3, Mutual Aid Received – 6, Automatic Aid – 32 for a total of – 376.

And a reminder "Plug into Recycling." An electronics collection on June 15th (tomorrow) and Saturday from 9:00am to 3:00pm at Triton College in the Northwest Student parking lot. You can bring in your old computer equipment, printers, telephones, answering machines, cellular phones, fax machines, TV's & VCR's, stereo equipment, software, disks, CD's and tapes. The only sad thing is there is a small co-pay of \$5.00 for each TV and monitor collected.

Also, before we forget I want to wish all you fathers, grandfathers, uncles and godfathers out there a Happy Father's Day.

Attorney's Report

There's one item on the Consent Agenda, item I 19, which is an ordinance adopting prevailing wage standards. This is required by the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act to be adopted by all public bodies every June. This is fairly standard adopting a prevailing wages for the county and it's on the agenda.

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F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Schuepfer: I just wanted to report that I had the privilege of attending the Union Ridge Graduation Ceremony. Present with me were Chief Podosek, Trustee Dobrzycki, Trustee Gadzinski and Trustee Jezierny. And it was very exciting, in my profession I go to a lot of graduations and there's something really refreshing about 8th grade graduates because it's such a big transition, they're going from being kids to like almost adults, that kind of almost there. They were energetic; they were excited; they were ready to move on. The presentations, the speeches, performances, they gave testimony to why the Department of Education has honored Union Ridge with the Blue Ribbon Award for Excellence. I think we should be really proud of our teachers, the parents in the community, the staff and the administration of Union Ridge. We have Trustee Gadzinski as a representative, graduate of that particular location. So, I wanted to congratulate all of the parents, I was hoping that the former trustee, Roy Schmidt would be present because he was one of the proud parents and it's startling to see really how big 8th graders are now, so I'm actually calling on Trustee Mougolias and Trustee Szlendak to check the quality of the water because they're growing awfully tall over there. I can't wait for some of those Union Ridge graduates if they eventually come to Northeastern because I think they'll be a joy in the classroom.

So, congratulations to all the graduates.

Trustee Gadzinski: I just wanted to add to the Forestry Committee, thank you on behalf of the board to Superintendent Tom Schroeder for picking up branches and trimming trees after the terrible winds we had last week and also thank them for putting more chips in the playground over by St. Rosalie's Church. There was a need for more wood chips, in the last few months children were getting hurt on pieces of metal sticking out, so finally we had that refilled. So thanks again to Public Works again.

Trustee Dobrzycki: First of all I just wanted to say I appreciate and thank Trustee Schuepfer for her graciousness at the Ordinance & License Committee meeting. There were many things said this evening and I have quite a few notes, I'll try to keep this short.

As I was born in the United States, my native language is English; I do not know of your level of proficiency in Polish Ms. White. I would very much appreciate it, I was very startled at the comments that you made and I would very much appreciate it if you could tell me what radio program you referred to as well as what radio station so I could speak with the host of that program.

You know Ms. White, I once again congratulate on upholding more than just stringent criticism but the continual upholding of the traditions of cynical criticism. We try to build upon this and I worked here on this board and I believe I present myself very well; I apologize if I made comments unintentional that may hurt people or/and in no case am I trying to be disrespectful, I believe I can work with anyone.

Trustee Szlendak: I wish to apologize for not attending the Historical Walk, I had to be in our Naples office for changing a data base and I could not change the date, so, I apologize for not attending it.

Trustee Jezierny: In answer to some of the residents as to why I didn't participate in the walk, I would have loved to. I was actually looking forward to signing up but I could not because I was also out of town on business. As a matter of fact, I left my destination at about one in the morning and hoping that just maybe I could sign up and I did; I think I even indicated to some of the members when I pulled in here at 6:30 in the morning in anticipation of maybe walking and after driving 5-1/2 hours I couldn't do it. I apologize and look forward to the next one.

Trustee Gadzinski: I would also like to add my apologies for not attending the walk. I am actually under contract playing for a Flamenco Dance Company. If some of you may not know I'm a violinist, also a musician and I'm under contracts and we have rehearsals in the morning, all day and concerts in the evening; so, my deepest apology, next year for sure.

Trustee Mougolias: I would also like to explain why I didn't attend and apologize, but I did sign up, I also signed up for my wife and my two daughters. My wife was pretty excited to come and walk with our two daughters, but we did have my first cousin was getting married that weekend and I had 10 people in from Europe that we were housing and we were also out Friday night pretty late for the rehearsal dinner. And my two were sleeping and I couldn't wake them up in the

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morning and I had to have our babysitter come because everybody was chauffeuring around all the relatives from Europe, so I'm sorry that I couldn't make it.

And I'd also like to comment on Mr. Carpino's comments about the retail. I do like the idea of retail and I was very excited about the mixed use projects that we were looking at because we're going to bring in some retail. I would like to be able to go and eat in Harwood Heights as all the local businesses know and all the members of the Chamber of Commerce know I very welcome all the local businesses and I support them all. I do eat at all our restaurants, shop at all our stores and I would like to do more but I know one of the big concerns for the residents with the condo buildings and all the new development was traffic. And I do disagree with the Mayor; I think we could recruit some big retailers to Harwood Heights because of the surrounding areas also, but we would be looking at very horrendous traffic if you were to put a major retailer in some of these factory areas, some of these industrial areas. I'm sure that there might be a possibility to get a Wal-Mart, a Home Depot, someone who would be interested. But if you were thinking a couple hundred cars from the condo buildings was going to be a lot of traffic, you should maybe come to my strip mall on the weekends and see where we're smaller stores and see a few thousand cars all day, it's going to be kind of difficult. But we will look into it and I would suggest you come in to some of the planning meetings when we will be discussing it, to try to get some ideas when we're together and get some ideas on how we can get a mix to work it out.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Thank you for allowing me for a second comment. Once again, in reference to Mr. Carpino's comments and following along the Mayor and Trustee Mougolias' comments; from the start I've been a strong proponent of revealing our village plan, one that was very old and it took a very long time in the making. We realized the importance, hundreds of condos, I hope Mr. Carpino you looked at the plan that we put together, it's available here at the village if you need to purchase one or take one home. From the start it has been a broad base plan, including retail, including entertainment, restaurants, bars, boutiques, condominiums, townhomes, and single-family homes from the start. We never intended to force anyone out of the village; our intentions are not to force anyone out of the village, but to welcome everyone who's here and welcome new people as well. Through this process we had many meetings, many people attended, and many different companies came here and gave presentations, advisors, consultants and so forth. One company in fact came to the village, a marketing company and told us they did a broad base marketing examination of the people who live in Harwood Heights and the surrounding community and yes, they told us many people, in fact the majority of people, don't shop in this area. One of the reasons why I founded the Chamber of Commerce was to encourage and promote businesses within the village and encourage the businesses to work together and grow and expand. We're not in a position where we can go out and say "come locate in our village", first of all, many of the property's private so we don't know when this property will be put up for sale, what the plans of the property owners are.

We have the gear company, Wintzler Gear, who invested a sizable amount of money in their building, in the appearance of their building to help integrate to some of the things that are happening on Wilson and Oketo; his hope is to stay here for many more years to come. There are other companies who no longer use their facilities and we've had people approach us about things that we can do with them, unfortunately, changes in the market, appearances of attitudes within our community that outside vendors and outside contractors and developers look upon and make considerations. It has come to my attention that the Village of Norridge is proceeding very quickly on taking advantage of their retail industry and their properties that are available to them to promote their community and Norridge does quite well in sales tax revenue. From the start I've also been a proponent and it was my suggestion and recommendation that we create a downtown district, not only would we connect the east and west sides of the village, but give an opportunity and great possibilities for village residents to eat, shop and entertain within the village and that is something that I do hope will happen in the future. It may be postponed because of current economic trends, but once again, we have limited control over those as well.

I've heard many stories and I have phone calls about what's going on in the village; our goal, and the Mayor's worked hard as well as the entire board about educating the people what goes on in the village; the village newsletters, the meetings, some letters that have been mailed out and so forth, it's not hundreds or thousands of condominiums. What you mentioned about the property tax revenue, that was put into place a long time ago and right now it plays a major role in our revenue stance. My wife who is a realtor, she may complain about it but when people buy property in Harwood Heights they tend to look at the location, which we are very famous for, very well regarded for and they kind of bite the bullet and pay that tax. Yes, it could be changed, but at this point I don't think it's something that, it would be difficult to do at this present moment and we're not the only ones undergoing a downtrend in real estate, in property sales and transfers.

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Once again, a major part of that plan was creating new sources of revenue and I've repeatedly stating that at meetings that we need to work on renewable, repeatable and continual growth of revenues, sales tax being an important part of that. Restaurants would create great sales tax revenue and other type businesses as well. Property transfers, and we have many residents here who've lived a very long time in the village, don't happen all that often and I could name a number of residents on my block who've lived in Harwood Heights for 30, 40, 50-years, I being one of them. So, that is only a one-time revenue source and we don't propose this or do we recommend this, we don't want people coming here buying property and flipping it, we may benefit from that but the community certainly does not.

Mayor Fuller: I do want to make a couple more comments because I have met with a so called "Big Box" developer for the village and he reported back to me that he could not find a suitable site in the village that was large enough and that was available. So, these things are going on all the time, developers, I'm always talking to developers but nothing has been materializing, so we'll just have to keep working at it.

Then I do want to make some comments here because at every meeting Trustee Jezierny goes on that I'm saying her report and I report on the management, that's the management of the village. And I have to apologize to our professional licensed engineer and all our skilled staff that we have a trustee who is entirely unprofessional. Trustee Jezierny refuses to come to me for information as the employees report to me and I am CEO of the village. She constantly uses and involves village employees in her plight to take credit for their work and for village projects. I've advise the trustees over and over that they are not department heads that they report on expenditures and make the laws of the village. There were motions on the agenda tonight that she did not report on but she reported on other things. It is so unfortunate that a trustee would contact village employees directly and put their jobs at risk and circumvent coming to me as the CEO, village manager. The arrogance is disturbing and the public should know how unethical the actions of this trustee involving employees in their politics and trying to control employees. I will be managing all the capital improvement projects; you will need to come to me for the information. When the Public Works employees start laying asphalt and pouring the concrete and doing the engineering for the street projects and it's in their budget, then I would call it a Public Works project; but right now it is under my jurisdiction.

And I'm also concerned about ethics; recently I was informed that residents that come to the village saying they were promised certain services, so I wonder if that's what this is all about. I'm very uneasy and I just think this is putting the employees in a stressful situation and it is so unprofessional.

The light on Lawrence Avenue, only the Mayor can make these arrangements for these intergovernmental agreements and I called ComEd personally myself and talked with them about putting temporary lights on Lawrence Avenue. A trustee is not going to get that kind of response from ComEd and it's not their job to be putting those types of things together. So, I just need to lay that out before we proceed with the motions.

G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Mougolias on Consent Agenda items I 1 – I 27 as Amended:

Item I 1 Pulled by Trustee Dobrzycki

Items I 5, I 6 & I 7 Pulled by Trustee Szlendak

Items I 8, I 10, I 11, I 12 & I 13 Pulled by Trustee Jezierny

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Mougolias on Consent Agenda Items I 2 - 4, I 9 & I 14-27:

2. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$14,475.00, payable to WatchGuard Video for police equipment to be expensed to the FY 07/08 General Fund – Police.

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3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,053.84, payable to Collegiate USA for police department clothing to be expensed to the FY 07/08 General Fund – Police.
4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$5,924.00, payable to Clarke Mosquito for second payment of 2007 mosquito abatement contract to be expensed to the FY 07/08 General Fund – Health.
9. To approve the attendance of Thomas H. Schroeder, Public Works Superintendent and Dave Koch, Water Commissioner to the 76th Annual Illinois Potable Water Supply Operators Assn. conference to be held in Springfield, Illinois September 12th through September 14th, 2007. Reimbursement of expenses pursuant to Ordinance 99-07.
14. To approve the request of St. Rosalie Parish to hang posters on wooden poles throughout the Village to promote the carnival to be held July 12th through July 15, 2007 with the understanding that they will be removed after the event.
15. To approve employment of Colleen Finlay as a part time office clerk for June 18, 2007 to September 1, 2007 at an hourly rate of \$9.32 pending a successful background check.
16. To authorize a pay increase for public works employee Ron Maslo to an annual salary of \$37,295.00 effective 6/15/07.
17. To authorize a pay increase for public works employee Maurizio Lazazzera to an annual salary of \$44,400.00 effective 6/15/07.
18. To authorize a pay increase for the Chairman of the Fire and Police Commission, Steve Wyda, to \$250.00 per month effective immediately.
19. To adopt Ordinance 07-13, an Ordinance Adopting Prevailing Wage Standards.
20. To adopt Resolution 07-05, a Resolution of Continued Support of and Participation in the West Cook Solid Waste Agency's Regional Disposal Project.
21. To adopt Resolution 07-06, a Resolution Supporting Village Participation in the Illinois State Treasurer's E-Pay Program.
22. To adopt Resolution 07-07, a Resolution Adopting Village's Health Reimbursement Arrangement.
23. To approve handicapped parking at the address commonly known as 4429 North Neenah and to direct Public Works to erect the sign in a timely manner.
24. To ratify Special Assessment Rebate in the amount of \$223.89.
25. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$435,148.69 as they appear on check register #43013 thru #43103.
26. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$121,358.31 to Parkway Bank Payroll Account.
27. Electronic Transfer from Parkway General Savings in the amount of \$13,144.73 to IMRF Pension Fund.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 2-4, I 9 & I 14 - 27 resulted as follows:

A YES: Trustee Dobrzycki, Gadzinski, Jeziorny, Mougolias, Schuepfer, Szlendak

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

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ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Mougolias, seconded by Trustee Jezierny on Consent Agenda item I 1:

1. To approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held Thursday, May 24, 2007.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda item I 1 resulted as follows:

A YES: Trustee Gadzinski, Jezierny, Mougolias, Schuepfer, Szlendak

NAYS: Trustee Dobrzycki

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Mougolias on Consent Agenda item I 5:

Motion to Table Items I 5 & 6 by Trustee Szlendak, seconded by Trustee Mougolias:

5. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$2,500.00**, payable to NABTECH for a new server for the MSI software system to be expensed to the FY 07/08 General Fund – Finance.
6. To approve the four year lease-purchase of financial and administrative software and annual support from Municipal Software, Inc. in the amount of **\$2,335.00 per month** and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

A roll call vote to Table Consent Agenda items I 5 & I 6 resulted as follows:

A YES: Trustee Gadzinski, Jezierny, Mougolias, Schuepfer, Szlendak

NAYS:

ABSTAIN: Trustee Dobrzycki

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Mougolias on Consent Agenda item I 7:

Motion to Table by Trustee Szlendak, seconded by Trustee Dobrzycki on Consent Agenda item I 7:

7. To approve a six month extension (through 12/18/07) of consultant services agreement between Vandewalle & Associates and the Village of Harwood Heights for Professional General Implementation Project Management Assistance Concerning the Village's recent Comprehensive Plan Amendment and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

A roll call vote to Table Consent Agenda item I 7 resulted as follows:

A YES: Trustee Gadzinski, Jezierny, Mougolias, Schuepfer, Szlendak

NAYS:

ABSTAIN: Trustee Dobrzycki

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Mougolias on Consent Agenda item I 8:

8. To approve a six month extension (through 12/28/07) of consultant services agreement between Vandewalle & Associates and the Village of Harwood Heights for the professional review and approval of development applications (which will be reimbursed by developers) and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

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A roll call vote on Consent Agenda item I 8 resulted as follows:

A YES: Trustee Dobrzycki, Mougolias, Schuepfer, Szlendak

NAYS: Trustee Gadzinski

ABSTAIN: Trustee Jezierny

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Szlendak on Consent Agenda item I 10:

Motion to Table by Trustee Jezierny, seconded by Trustee Szlendak on Consent Agenda items I 10 – I 12:

10. To approve an agreement with Hancock Engineering Company for Professional Engineering Services for the 2007 MFT Street Program in the amount of \$11,500.00 and to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement, pending final documents.
11. To approve an agreement with Hancock Engineering Company for Professional Construction Observation Services for the 2007 MFT Street Program in the amount of \$13,000.00, and to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement, pending final documents.
12. To approve an agreement with Hancock Engineering Company for Professional Engineering Services for the 2007 MFT Maintenance Program (sidewalk) at a base fee of \$1,000.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement, pending final documents.

A roll call vote to Table Consent Agenda items I 10 – I 12 resulted as follows:

A YES: Trustee Gadzinski, Jezierny, Schuepfer, Szlendak

NAYS: Trustee Dobrzycki, Mougolias

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Szlendak on Consent Agenda item I 13:

13. To approve an agreement with Hancock Engineering Company for Professional Engineering Services for Plan Review and Construction Observation which is reimbursable by developers and to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement, pending final documents.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda item I 13 resulted as follows:

A YES: Trustee Dobrzycki, Gadzinski, Mougolias, Schuepfer, Szlendak

NAYS:

ABSTAIN: Trustee Jezierny

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. OLD BUSINESS

None

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L. CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Larson read two letters from Comcast regarding program changes and price increases for the Sports Entertainment Package and installation/service fees. There was a slight price reduction on the Basic converters and the on-Basic converters.

M. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None

N. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Szlendak: I just wish to correct the comment that Ms. Joan White made when she said that the Mayor assigns the committee membership, the Mayor makes a suggestion, she does not make the assignments, the board members vote on the assignments themselves; there is no assignment by the Mayor on the membership.

Trustee Jeziorny: Yes, I do have a comment; I guess the Mayor is kind of pretty much coming down on me saying that these projects are capital improvement projects and not the street or Public Works projects. I am trying to do my job here as the Chairman of Public Works and I want to do what's best for the village, I don't want to hold up projects and certainly we don't want to over-expense ourselves for projects. But when I'm looking at an ordinance 2.12260 which says "Public Works, street, alleys and sidewalks committee shall report to the corporate authorities regarding the projects of the village" and then I hear the Mayor saying "well the streets and sidewalks and alleys are not Public Works projects, now they're capital improvement projects", I think that would confuse anyone.

Also the comment about lighting, when I just wanted to share information regarding lighting and that I thought it was exciting that Commonwealth Edison said they would put up temporary lighting, I thought that was a good thing. And certainly if my report shows that we're waiting for the Mayor to sign the intergovernmental agreement between the companies, I don't attend to sign it, I can't. So, in my report I think those are positive avenues to go down.

And then when the Mayor said we're confusing the employees and the department heads that work for us! I mean, I posted a Public Works Committee meeting to invite these people to come forward and give the committee answers so we know where we're going so one person isn't alone knowing what's happening ; if something happens to this one person or something needs to be done so we have a backup, we have a backup. And some of the people that I do talk to, the Municipal Accountant, well their duties are to report to the corporate authorities. The office manager, which I guess the title is changed now, it's now administrator, both report to corporate authorities and the staff engineer reports to the corporate authorities. I don't twist anyone's arm, all I want is information and in order to do my job as Chairman of Public Works to inform the committee, so I can inform other members of the board, that's all I want. And that's why I'm asking for the spirit of cooperation when someone knows something let's share it among ourselves.

Mayor Fuller: But you never call me. I share information with any trustee that calls me and asks me any question. To explain Public Works a little bit; there are streets, alleys and sidewalks involved with Public Works and that's called maintenance, that's the patching that they do. And the business of Public Works itself, but they don't do the street work, they're not engineers, and they don't design them and they don't actually go out there and lay the asphalt; so that's the difference in those projects.

Trustee Jeziorny: Mayor, it does say in the ordinance, construction and maintenance.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Just quickly, on this June 14th, Flag Day, I just wanted to say the flag is a very special symbol to me as I hope to all of you here, something that we can all be proud of, it defines and represents our values. I think here in our community not only does it represent the good of our country but it represents the good in all of us and in this lively discussion and debate I see how the spirit of working together comes through.

And just an FYI, at this July 4th we break a 47 year old record, the flag will break the previous record of 47 years of being unchanged this July 4th after the addition of Hawaii. Previously to the addition of Hawaii and Alaska it was 47

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years, so I think we have something extra to celebrate this summer, so it's a historic event. So once again I thank everyone and wish everyone a Happy Father's Day.

Trustee Schuepfer: One of the things that I did want to comment on, I do think that one of the key focuses that all of us have whether we are an elected official or a resident is the concern about redevelopment in the village. And one of the strategies that I've been thinking about and I just want to put it out on the floor and it's something that perhaps residents want it discussed, perhaps the trustees, the Mayor, etc. But one of the things we might want to do and in light of what Joe Carpino had said today, is perhaps the Mayor would like to put together a special task force on redevelopment so there can be kind of, you know given the kinds of changes that we've seen, given the change in the market. Just maybe a task force that can brainstorm across a couple different groups about what kinds of strategies we might want to use as a community to figure out how to approach our redevelopment issue. And again I think it once again that action speaks to a spirit of cooperation and all working together to build the best community and as Mark said, to celebrate democracy in our village.

O. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Szlendak to adjourn. On a voice vote, all being in favor, the motion carried and the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Harwood Heights was adjourned by Mayor Margaret P. Fuller on Thursday, June 14, 2007 at 9:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne H. Larson, Village Clerk