

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2010

A. **CALL TO ORDER** at 7:30 pm by Mayor Arlene Jezierny

B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

C. **ROLL CALL**

Mayor	Arlene C. Jezierny
Clerk	Marcia L. Pollowy
Deputy Clerk	Mary O'Connor
Trustees	Mark Dobrzycki Michael Gadzinski Demetrios Mougolias Therese Schuepfer Lawrence Steiner Lester Szlendak
Attorney	Rob Bush

D. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Joan White: 7429 W Winona; Hopes that resident's and Village employees realize what a remarkable job the Mayor, Board of Trustees, Department Heads such as the Chief of Police, Public Works Superintendent and our new Village Accountant are doing in trying to balance this years budget. This could possibly be the most difficult appropriation ever faced by any Village administration. The downturn of the economy, the decrease in our taxes, the decrease in home evaluations and the reduced opportunity of new jobs, all play their part in creating an almost impossible task of predicting finances for the upcoming year. This Board has been working together as never before seen, to keep our Village on level ground. We all need to say thank you to these people for their super efforts.

Roy Schmidt: 4336 Rutherford; Go BLACKHAWKS!!! Congratulated Trustee Dobrzycki for being honored by Mayor Daley during the Polish Parade. Read in the paper that there was a proposal for the old Village Hall property? He understands that it has been bought? Hoping the Mayor will let us know what is going on with the property.

Fadel Karaman: 6710 Forest Preserve Drive; Spoke regarding the variance at 6710 Forest Preserve Drive. Was under the assumption that the variance for that address was passed by the Zoning Board at the previous meeting?

Mayor Jezierny stated that the votes were 2 for, 3 against, and 2 abstains; the abstains go with the majority and therefore the motion failed. The Zoning Board is a recommending body and the final vote goes to the Village Board.

Nuccio D'Argento: 4747 N Harlem; Wanted to say that he understands there are hard cuts to make to balance the budget. He knows that this board will do their best at working together to make it happen. He and his business partner Rocco, grew up in this community, went to school in this community, played baseball in this community, and since 2001 owned a business in this community. They know how important it is to support their community. Due to some of the cuts that had to be made by the Village Board he would like to announce the donations that Vince's Italian Restaurant will be making to some of these organizations. They will be making a \$2000.00 donation to the SAC of Norridge and Harwood Heights, \$2000.00 donation to the New Horizons School for Children with Disability on Forest Preserve Drive, \$500.00 to the Youth Commission so the kids can enjoy pizza after an event. Vince's will be feeding 1800 kids at our local Salvation Army this summer with their day camp because they have a \$4,000.00 line item that was cut from their budget for the kids to have a pizza day. Encourages our other local businesses to support our community as they do us.

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Translator for Mikolaj Szymanski: 6710 Forest Preserve Drive; Attended the Zoning Board meeting and when the meeting was concluded he asked twice what the result of the vote was. He was told it was 4 to 3 in favor of the variance approval. Wanted to know why today the vote had changed. Mayor Jezierny explained that in the minutes of the meeting it stated that 2 people voted for it, 3 people voted against it, and 2 people abstained. Abstentions go with the majority. The majority was 3 no votes so the vote became 2 yes and 5 no. Translator stated he asked twice for the vote and he was told it was 4 to 3 in favor of the variance. **Mayor Jezierny** stated she will listen to tape. Translator feels that a mistake is being made for sure. He feels that this is not right. He says he has witnesses that this is wrong. **Mayor Jezierny** assured him she will look into this. She also stated the Zoning Board is a recommending body to the Village Board and the Village Board makes the final decision. She told him she would send him a letter after she listens to tape.

E. REPORTS OF MAYOR, TRUSTEES, CLERK AND ATTORNEY

Mayor's Report

Mayor Jezierny

Go Blackhawks! What a wonderful celebration for the City of Chicago. Thanked Nuccio D'Argento for his donation. It helps our youth, our Senior Assistance Center, The Blue Horizons, and all the other donations. We really appreciate your business being so involved in the community. Would like to see everyone working together, residents, factories, and businesses; when everyone works together, it grows. We are having some tough times right now but we are going to get through those. Flag Day is next week and then summer begins. Watch for children crossing the streets. Public Works is filling potholes. Please be very careful. The Montrose project is just about complete. They did a quick job. Since our last Board meeting, we have had a number of Finance and Committee of the Whole meetings. We are working very diligently on the Appropriations budget. All the Board members are working very hard on this.

Forestry & Green Initiatives

Trustee Dobrzycki

Working on Appropriations for the current budget year. Cuts have been made within Forestry and Green Initiatives. No monies will be used this year for planting of new trees but monies will be available for maintenance of trees. We will use our own imaginations for Green Initiatives to make sure this follows through.

Recreation

Trustee Gadzinski

Commented to Nuccio D'Argento. Nuccio you seem to always amaze me. This is a good example of the commitment our businesses have to our village. I always believe that strength in numbers goes a long way. I hope that you set off some kind of spark to all the businesses and they also contribute as much as you have now and in the past. I think I speak for the entire Board when I say your gracious acts throughout the years and now are very much appreciated. We thank you for your generosity and commitment, not only as a generous person but as a successful business owner. Your kind donation will also allow our Youth Commission to keep costs down as we face budget cuts. Thank you very much and God Bless you as always.

The Illinois Secretary of State Mobile unit that we had here last week was a success. I am proud to report that there were many more participants this year than last; and I will continue to hold more events such as these.

Public Works

Water & Sewer

Trustee Steiner

Street Sweeper is running again. To save money, we will be cleaning the streets every other week. We ask the residents to continue to follow the street parking restrictions which will help Public Works to continue to do work on the streets. If there are areas that needs some immediate attention, please call Public Works. Montrose Avenue project was completed and they did a really nice job.

Public Health & Safety/Building

Trustee Mougolias

Clarke Mosquito has done their 1st spraying. We will continue to spray throughout the year. Public Works does treat the catch basins to cut costs. Suggested that you use mosquito repellent with DEET when you go out between dusk and dawn.

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Ordinance/License

Trustee Schuepfer

Asked for Boards approval for motion I 8 through I 12. I 8 is for use of the Community Room. Setting costs and rules and regulations. I 9 is something that we have to do every year; every June we adopt the Prevailing Wage Ordinance. I 10 is an Ordinance that has been put together to allow the Village to sell items at auction. The West Central Municipal Conference Auction will be held June 19th. This year we will be auctioning new and used video cassettes, plastic video cases, pentax printers with armrests. It seems Public Works is selling a 1943 Ford Tractor. I 11 provides for an increase in fees for settling compliance warning tickets. I 12 is for approval of a ground sign for Aldi Food Market pending approval from property owners. Aldi would like to move into the Village occupying a portion of the building next to Burlington Coat Factory.

Finance

Information & Technology

Trustee Szlendak

Had a Committee of the Whole meeting yesterday and everyone contributed ideas and suggestions. One of the things that's common knowledge in the Finance community is that the stock market is a common indicator of our economy. Unfortunately it took a huge dip and there is talk of a double dip recession. We have to reject the temptation to come up with to rosy of a revenue projection. We have to be extremely realistic of it. If we are wrong it will be wonderful to have a couple bucks in the bank. We are having another committee meeting on Thursday, June 17th at 6:30pm, to finalize the Appropriation. Welcomed everybody to attend; their input is extremely important.

Clerk's Report

No Report

Attorney's Report

No Report

F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Dobrzycki

Is glad to hear that Aldi's is following through on their plans to come to the Village. Thanked Nuccio D'Argento for his generous donations. It is truly wonderful for Nuccio who doesn't live in the Village to share so much to this community. Reported on city demographics for Harwood Heights and Norridge from the Business Ledger published in Naperville. The number of households in Harwood Heights is 3494. The city population is 8242. Household income is at \$ 57,838.00 and per person income is \$29,724.00. The population under 18 years old is 18.3%; 65 and over is at 21%. Our median age is 44.7 years. Norridge has 6,192 households, population 15,344, household income is \$60,626.00, and per person income is \$29,681. The population of Norridge that is 18 years old and younger is 16.6% and their senior population of 65 and older is 26.9%. Their median age is 47.6 years old. We need to keep these numbers in mind while doing the budget. Congratulated everyone on the board for working together to finalize a budget.

Trustee Mougolias

The Village wide Garage Sales will be June 25, 26, & 27. The following week will be Big Garbage Week. If you would like to participate in the garage sale you can register at the Village Hall. The Village website will have a list of addresses participating.

After months of working on the Emergency Management team we have put things together. Now we are looking for volunteers. If there is anyone who would like to volunteer, please call the Village Hall and leave your name and number.

Trustee Steiner

Please empty standing water on your property to help eliminate the mosquitoes.

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G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

Motion by Trustee Gadzinski, seconded by Trustee Szlendak

1. To concur with the Mayor's reappointment of Nuccio D'Argento as Fire & Police Commissioner for a three year Term to expire 4-30-13.

A roll call vote on the Appointments/Reappointments resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Gadzinski, seconded by Trustee Dobrzycki on Consent Agenda Items I 1 – I 16

1. To approve the regular minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held May 27, 2010.
2. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$2,000.00**, payable to Lynn Cohn for mediation services regarding 7343 W. Lawrence Avenue LLC litigation expensed to FY 10/11 line item 11-02-00-7054 – Legal Fees – Real Estate.
3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$124,950.00**, payable to ID Networks, Inc. for new Records Management & CAD System for the Police Department over a 6-year period with the initial year cost of \$92,879.03 paid from the Police Tech Grant Fund expensed to FY 10/11 line item 11-15-00-4051 - Police COP Tech Grant Fund and the 4 following yearly costs of \$21,000.00 (\$8,107 plus \$12,893 yearly maintenance fee) for years 2-5 and the final year \$20,642.97 (\$7,749.97 plus \$12,893 year maintenance) from the 911 Fund 33-00-00-7040.
4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$798.00**, payable to Decatur Electronics, Inc. for the purchase of 2 GHD Stationary Radar Guns and 2 Genesis Hand Held Radar Guns and accessories expensed to FY 10/11 line item 11-05-00-7057 – Police. (Total expenditure will be reimbursed from the COP Tech Grant Fund).
5. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$4,650.00**, payable to Decatur Electronics, Inc. for the purchase of 3 G2S Moving Radar Units and accessories expensed to FY 10/11 line item 11-05-00-7057 – Police. (Total expenditure will be reimbursed from the COP Tech Grant Fund).
6. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$16,710.90**, payable to Ancel Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & Krafthefer for billing through April 30, 2010; expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-02-00-7051- Legal.
7. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$34,545.00**, payable to Houseal Lavigne Associates for Professional Services for May 4, 2010 invoice relating to the FAA Grant for the Land Use Compatibility Plan expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-15-00-7130 – FAA Grant Expenditures. (80% to be reimbursed back to the village).
8. Motion to approve the **Community Room Use Policy**, the attached forms as well as the rules and regulations governing Community Room use.

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9. To Adopt **Ordinance 10-18**, An Ordinance Adopting Prevailing Wage Rates to be Paid to Laborers, Mechanics and Other Workers Performing Construction of Public Works in the Village of Harwood Heights, Cook County, Illinois.
10. To Adopt **Ordinance 10-19**, An Ordinance Authorizing the Sales by Public Auction of Personal Property Owned by the Village of Harwood Heights.
11. To Adopt **Ordinance 10-20**, An Ordinance Amending the Harwood Heights Code of Ordinances to Provide for an Increase in Fees for the Settlement of Compliance Warning Tickets.
12. To Adopt **Ordinance 10-21**, An Ordinance of the Village of Harwood Heights, Illinois Approving a Ground Sign for Aldi Food Market, pending approval letter from property owner.
13. To Adopt **Resolution 10-10**, A Resolution for Construction on State Highway.
14. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of **\$53,161.23** as they appear on check register **#48076** thru **#48116**.
15. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of **\$110,961.69** to Parkway Bank Payroll Account.
16. Electronic transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of **\$13,951.90** for May 2010 IMRF Pension Fund.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 1 – I 16 resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. OLD BUSINESS

None

L. CORRESPONDENCE

None

M. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Mougolias

Stated that Twins Gyros will sponsor two events for the Youth Commission events.

Trustee Steiner

Last week, we said goodbye to one of the original residents of Harwood Heights, Sybil Gibbons. Sybil, with her husband Frank, made their home here in 1947 when their street was nothing more than a dirt road. Together they raised seven children here and enjoyed 67 years of marriage. On behalf of the Village of Harwood Heights, I would like to extend our condolences to the Gibbons Family. Sybil, although some may remember her as Fannie

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Farckle, will be missed. During a recent conversation with Mr. Gibbons, I learned that he survived the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was stationed on the USS Detroit during the invasion. A humble hero lives quietly in our village.

We have lost several residents in this first half of 2010, Sybil Gibbons, Casimir Jezierny, and Reggie Baker, just to name a few. It is people like these, and countless others that have made, and continue to make Harwood Heights a great place to live, and one that I am proud to call my home.

Trustee Dobrzycki

Stated that Trustee Steiner's comments were well done and we should remember those people who helped build this community. Congratulations to the Chicago Blackhawks!!!

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Gadzinski at 8:15pm; on a roll call vote, all in favor.

Motion to enter into Executive Session: pursuant to (5 ILCS 120/2) Sec. 2. Open meetings © Exceptions. A public body may hold closed meetings to consider the following subjects: (6.) Sale of property; (11.) Litigation.

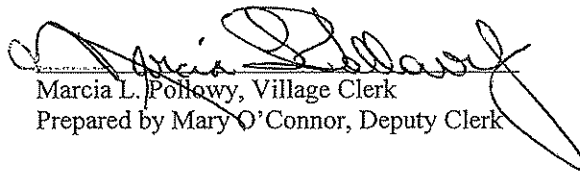
Motion to Close Executive Session by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Szlendak at 8:44pm; all in favor.

Reconvene Open Session at 8:45pm; motion by Trustee Mougolias, seconded by Trustee Steiner; on a roll call vote, all in favor.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Steiner 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 Arlene C. Jezierny, on Thursday, June 10, 2010 at 8:46pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Marcia L. Polowy, Village Clerk
Prepared by Mary O'Connor, Deputy Clerk