

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2008**

A. CALL TO ORDER at 7:40 pm by Village Clerk, Dianne H. Larson

Clerk Larson asked for a motion to appoint a Temporary Chair in the absence of the Mayor. Trustee Schuepfer moved to have Trustee Mark Dobrzycki serve as Temporary Chair; seconded by Trustee Mougolias; all in favor.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

Mayor	Margaret P. Fuller (Absent)
Clerk	Dianne H. Larson
Deputy Clerk	Marcia Pollowy
Trustees	Mark Dobrzycki Michael Gadzinski Arlene Jezierny Demetrios Mougolias Therese Schuepfer Lester Szlendak (Absent)
Attorney	Paul Stephanides

D. PUBLIC COMMENT - Upon recognition to speak by the village president or acting chairperson, the person shall rise and state his or her name and address. An individual may speak for himself or herself or as a representative of a community group. No person shall speak longer than three minutes unless specifically authorized to do so by a majority vote of the board of trustees. The three minute time limit will be measured by a person selected by the village board. Thirty (30) minutes of meeting time will be the maximum time allowed for public comment. This according to Village Code, Section 2.12.090, Section D.

Joan K. White, 7429 W. Winona: I'm asking the board for several minutes of additional time to give my opinions.

Motion by Trustee Gadzinski, seconded by Trustee Jezierny; all in favor.

Joan K. White: Thank you. After reading the George Alex letter in today's newspaper, I questioned whether a response of any kind would be worthwhile. Mr. Alex and his wife have both made attacks on people by what appears to be a certain distortion of facts. It appears that Mr. Alex was writing today's letter to bring out a point of view about my letter printed recently, wherein I mentioned facts about some of his actions. Please note, that nowhere in his letter did he state the facts I presented were not true.

Mr. Alex had been Treasurer since 1998. When the auditors washed their hands of continuing with an audit for the year ending 1999, the trustees had time to deliberate on what their options might be. The Finance Committee, Trustees McCormick, Scott and Fuller, apparently did not have enough faith in the municipal finance knowledge of Mr. Alex, so they did not ask him for any assistance. They did however, have faith in my ability to accomplish this task, and they hired me to do the job. I did not disappoint them; by working at least 100-hours per month in the village offices, I was able to successfully hand over to the auditors the necessary journal entries and a working trial balance that enabled them, at the end of March, to close out the prior fiscal year.

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The next task I was given was to put the current year's records in shape for the 1999-2000 year audit which was scheduled to begin in August. I did not fail in this task, either, and was able again to see the necessary working trial balance handed over to the auditors in August when they arrived. In between, there was some time to give a certain amount of training to the staff, but because there was an open effort by Trustee Fuller to prevent a successful process of training, I resigned as of September 15th. These are facts which cannot be denied. Records are in the Village Hall to prove what I have said.

Mr. Alex, in today's effort to discredit me personally, has again slipped into his mold; he will disregard completely the issue at hand, and present over and over the same data he twisted three or four years ago, presenting a case that there was something dreadfully wrong with my husband being on the Police Department, or Pat and Carl Christl volunteering without pay to be on the Youth Commission, and later receiving appointments to be on the Zoning Board and Plan Commission.

Mr. Alex made a scene at a prior board meeting by bringing in a video camera to tape certain speakers and then stopping the board meeting by waving his hands and offering to do the work of the village purchasing agent, that is getting necessary quotes for repairs to the buses. This is not the work of the trustees. Our purchasing agent was capable enough to spend hours gathering quotes and presenting them to the board regarding the purchase of copy machines. We pay him to do this work. This is his job. Why did the Mayor not call upon the purchasing agent for this work?

Mr. Alex criticizes me for not making open demands at the meeting about the village helper bus. He has not been attending meetings lately, so perhaps he did not realize that board members were planning to hold a special meeting for that purpose alone. I trust that these board members are capable of handling such a matter without bringing in another Mayoral appointee. Then, after that particular board meeting, Mr. Alex walked outside shouting at other senior citizen members, pointing out that they owned nice vehicles and giving comment that they should have stood up to make demands about the bus. Evidently all except Mr. Alex thought the matter was going to be resolved.

When facing a problem, Mr. Alex seems to reach out to personal attacks, even though these attack statements have no bearing at all on the problem at hand; he has even done this in election campaigns. And as a trustee, he has been known to lose his temper at board meetings; that makes me wonder. Currently, Mr. Alex is on the village payroll, he holds a very important position. The Mayor has appointed him as Police Commissioner, which means he hires and fires, and even disciplines police personnel. It is possible that the trustees had good reason not to confirm his appointment 2-years ago. The Mayor has the power to make 30-day appointments without board approval and she has apparently been renewing this appointment every 30-days since.

My real question is this; if he has not shown evidence of being able to calmly give thought and evaluation to a problem without bringing in personal irrelevant data, what is his credibility in making judgments as a Police Commissioner?

E. REPORTS OF MAYOR, TRUSTEES, CLERK AND ATTORNEY

Mayor's Report
Mayor Fuller

No Report - Absent

Information/Technology
Trustee Dobrzycki

The only information that I have to comment on this evening is about the strike that the contractor made on the telephone lines on Lawrence Avenue. To the best of my knowledge and to the village and I've inquired, the lines have been reconnected. There's also some question, there was concern about the 911 System and I think maybe Trustee Mougolias might have some additional information. But to the best of my knowledge and I apologize once again, I was not able to attend the public meeting because of an emergency at work and I was delayed and I wish I would have been here. But, during the day, I was able to find out that the

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911 lines, at least the problems to the best of AT&T's knowledge was not associated with the strike by the contractor. The contractor hit an area of wires that were not encased in concrete as the remainder of the lines were and because of that when they were digging they snagged some of the wires and the disconnections occurred. The 911 System automatically transferred to Norridge and worked seamlessly as reported in the newspaper and we thank you for those comments. And to the best of the village's knowledge and my knowledge, there were no problems associated with that. Public Works, probably Trustee Jezierny has additional information, continued to function and we had no problems with the water distribution.

Forestry/Recreation
Trustee Gadzinski

As I had said in the public meeting earlier, on the Agenda tonight, Items I-11 & I-12 are expenditures for the replacement of tires to our "NEWER" helper bus and repairs that need to be made to its wheelchair lift. I have contacted and spoken to representatives from both EVRIS AUTOMOTIVE & BILL'S AUTO AND TRUCK REPAIR concerning repairs that need to be made to the air conditioning unit to the NEWER helper bus. Both shops told me that they do not know what is wrong with the air-conditioning unit, and they will need to further inspect the unit in order to give us a quote for the repair.

If motions I-11 & I-12 are passed tonight, I would like to suggest to the board that when the truck goes in for its tire replacement and wheelchair lift repair, both mechanics from EVRIS & BILL's thoroughly inspect the air-conditioning and send us an estimate/quote for its repair.

Also on the Agenda Item I-10 is a motion for an expenditure not to exceed \$4770.00 payable to Hendricksen Tree Service Co. for the removal of trees due to sickness, or bug infestation. The good news is that some of the trees that are going to be removed will be replaced in the near future with new trees appropriate in size and shape for the parkway at which they will be re-planted.

A little bit of news. Recently in the news there has been information on an infestation of moths called the Gypsy Moth. During its caterpillar stage, the Gypsy Moth likes to snack on tree leaves and bark, preferably hard wood trees such as the Oak and many fruit trees causing the tree to suffer and die.

The Gypsy Moth first infiltrated Illinois about 20 years ago, and is out in record numbers this year causing the Department of Agriculture to enforce a state quarantine especially for the areas infested most which are the towns of Woodridge, Downers Grove, Lisle, Westchester, Bartlett and Lombard; so it is moving but it looks to me as if the Department of Agriculture has it under control. State officials believe that due to the dry weather last year, a fungus known to kill the caterpillars has been dormant, but with state wide quarantines in place and this year's wet cool weather, it should help the fungus kill more of the caterpillars for next year.

Good news is that I don't believe that we are infested with this moth at all, but if anyone should notice a bunch of little brown hairy caterpillars dangling from the branches or, yes, they are kind of scary looking. I wish I had a picture; they're very unique looking or if they're sticking to the bark of the tree, please call the Village or contact the State of Illinois Department of Agriculture so that proper steps can be taken to quarantine the area and save our trees and not have that caterpillar eat away at its leaves.

Public Works
Trustee Jezierny

On Tuesday, June 20th at 3:00pm I attended a Public Works Committee meeting in combination with the Finance Committee meeting and I just wanted to report that Tom Wolfe, our temporary Superintendent was in attendance, as well as Martin Boyd, our Village Accountant, as well as the members of the committees. We had a good exchange of ideas, questions were answered and by having a combined meeting like that and having people in attendance really helped a lot in getting our questions answered certainly in preparation for our appropriation budget.

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On Tuesday, following the meeting that we had at the village, when I left the Village Hall and traveled down Lawrence Avenue, again I learned of the phone lines that had been severed on the Lawrence Avenue street project. This affected as Trustee Dobrzycki said, this affected our Police Department, our Fire Department and our Water Tower and left approximately 600 homes including businesses without phone and/or DSL service in our community. As a result, 911 calls for Police and Fire had to be immediately re-routed to Norridge. The Public Works team had to monitor the pressure in the tower throughout the night to make sure that the added water pressure did not built when a phone line communication goes down. AT&T did work throughout the night and into the next day to repair the lines caused by the Contractor on the job. At this point, I would like to thank the Public Works team for paying close attention to make sure our water supply and our pumps and everything is working properly, to AT&T for being there on the job quickly and working throughout the night and for Norridge especially too, for all their assistance in taking all our 911 calls and making sure that people are attended to.

There is a motion on the agenda tonight, item I 7, it's to approve the purchase of a digitized radio signal, not to exceed \$10,000, payable to SPD Incorporated. Public Works will assist in installation, to be expensed to the line item which is in Sewer & Water. The purpose of that is for this very same situation. When a phone line goes down, the tower is operated through a phone line which throws a signal; the phone lines down, the signals not there and that tower has to be manually observed to make sure that the pumps go on correctly and the pumps shutdown correctly with the pressures of people watering their lawns and so forth. With this instrument that we can have, this has been talked about within Public Works for quite a few years now, and I think at this point being that we had two incidents in the last month that the phone lines went down and it affected the water tower, I think that it's important that the board takes a look at approving this measure. And this will help, so that you have a digital air wave as opposed to relying on the phone line to operate those pumps.

Public Health & Safety
Trustee Mougolias

I would like to report that the negotiations for the Police Department are moving along. We did have a meeting where we passed the proposals to ICOP's, which is the union chosen by the Police Department on June 18th; I attended, Trustee Schuepfer attended and Mayor Fuller attended. Our next meeting will be July 22nd to hopefully have a response from them; so, we'll see how it goes, but things are moving along. They are not as fast as they were between the board and the representatives of the FOP as it has been in the past, but the lawyers are working as fast as they can and we are trying to work as fast as we can to get it done.

The next thing; the Public Health & Safety Committee had a meeting on Tuesday of this week, the 24th. We had asked the attendance of the Mayor, the Chief of Police and the Accountant; none of them were able to show up. The meeting was called so we could discuss the appropriations, the Mayor and the Chief made a proposed appropriation and presented it to us, to the board, and I did have some questions and also the rest of the board had some questions, the rest of the committee had some questions about how the Chief was planning to implement some new initiatives that he is calling for. He is calling to eliminate our Detective Division, he is also calling to eliminate some youth officers, the DARE Program; he is also calling to disassociate ourselves from some associations that we have if they are on any major crimes, they have specific equipment and detectives and manpower that helps us out because we are short on manpower and equipment and we would not be able to handle them. In the case of Norridge, both of the associations that the Chief and Mayor are asking us to disassociate ourselves from, the last three weeks I believe they have used both of them; they had a murder and the one association was called in, MCAT and they actually solved the murder with the help of them, they brought in about 20 to 30 detectives. They solved the murder; well they believed they solved the murder in a matter of hours and then they also called NIPAS which is another association that we are involved in, they had a domestic disturbance with a woman and a firearm and they didn't have enough manpower. Even though they at most times they have a lot more manpower then we do on the street, they couldn't handle it and they had the need to call this service in and they sent officers from all the surrounding towns that are involved with this service.

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So, I'm really questioning the ability of our Police Department to run without these services and if the residents will be safe without these services and I would have liked to ask the Chief; but he was directed not to attend. The Mayor has continually said that she is not directing the Chief or the Accountant not to communicate with us or she is not blocking communications, but I do have an email here and the only thing it says from the Mayor is "you should direct any questions of the staff to me. Thank you." This came after this meeting; I wrote about a two page email to the Chief addressing my questions and all the questions we had asking him what time is reasonable for him and we would schedule the meeting around his schedule or if he could call or email just to get us the information and the Mayor's response was "you could not ask him any questions, I gave you the information. Any questions to the Chief should be directed to me."

So, I don't know how I can in good faith recommend the board to approve the appropriations of the Public Health & Safety Committee when I do not believe that they're in the best interest of the village. And without any questions answered from the Chief or the Mayor, my opinion is the only opinion that I can come up with. I can't see how they can be good and especially if they can't persuade me otherwise. So, I would just like to let the residents know we are trying to work on the appropriations, but it's getting very difficult and I'm hoping we can have an appropriation on time, but I don't foresee it.

Ordinance/License
Trustee Schuepfer

I have no committee report from the Ordinance/License Committee.

Trustee Szlendak was not able to attend this evening and he asked to make a report for the Finance Committee. You've heard bits and pieces about two meetings that we've had; as you heard from Trustee Jezierny, we had a combined meeting of Public Works, Water and the Finance Committee on the 20th; as you heard, the temporary Superintendent of Public Works attended. It was a very productive meeting, we were able to ask questions and to think about and get feedback from professionals about where we in fact might look for additional ways either to supplement the appropriation that the Mayor gave to us without any explanation or in fact to find ways to save money in that particular area.

On the 24th, we had another Finance Committee meeting and as you learned from Trustee Mougolias, at that meeting we had no notification that the Mayor, the Chief and the Accountant did not plan to attend. We went forward with the meeting, we tried to go line by line but as Trustee Mougolias said, it's very difficult to access some of these line items when in fact you can't have a professional like Chief Podosek explain the rationale behind the particular cuts that he was proposing. So, we did receive a memo this evening that once again reiterated the fact that none of the staff will speak to us directly, but instead we can direct all questions to the Mayor. I think you've all probably played that game were you speak in a can connected by a string. Something gets lost and I really think it's appropriate for a Chief of Police to be able to talk to public officials. I'm not quite sure what the rationale is, I believe he's professional enough and tough enough since he is the Chief of Police to handle the questions from elected officials.

Finance
Sewer & Water
Trustee Szlendak

No Report - Absent

Clerk's Report
Clerk Larson

I would just like to wish everyone a Happy Birthday for the United States of America; Happy 4th of July.

Attorney's Report

I second that on the 4th of July. Everybody have a safe and happy 4th of July. On your agenda tonight, is motion I 17, this is an ordinance establishing Prevailing Wages in the Village of Harwood Heights. This is required by State Law every June; the village must pass and adopt a Prevailing Wage Ordinance pursuant to

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the Prevailing Wage Act found in the Illinois compiled statues and that's the reason for this being on your agenda. You are adopting the rates that are established by the Illinois Department of Labor and those rates are attached as an exhibit to the ordinance.

F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Gadzinski: Weather permitting... The WSSRA, the West Suburban Special Recreation, will be hosting a FREE POOL PARTY for families and friends on Tuesday, July 8th, 2008 at the Forest Park District Aquatic Center, in Forest Park. From 8:15p.m. until 10:00p.m.

There will be a "MINI" WACKY QUACKY DUCK SPLASH, where each attendee will be assigned a number upon their arrival, at which later in the evening a batch of little rubber ducks with corresponding numbers will be sent down the waterslide into a chute. The top 5 finishing ducks will be pulled out and their numbers will be called out. The individuals with the matching numbers will then win a duck that will be entered into the Official Wacky Quacky Duck Splash to be held on Saturday, July 19, 2008.

I attended this event last year, and it was lots of fun, I enjoyed the evening and was delighted to meet WSSRA participants, their families and the entire WSSRA staff.

I very much encourage the Mayor and Board to participate in this event. Don't worry you will not be forced to swim or be seen in a swim suit if you don't want to. But I would highly encourage you to bring one along just in case you decide you want to get a little wet, go down the water slides or simply jump into the pool to cool off.

If you have any other questions regarding this event, please feel free to call the Village Hall or contact me for further information.

Another report that I have, last week Wednesday I was excited to have volunteered for the first time with the Norridge Seniors Assistance Center to help deliver meals to the elderly and in need for special assistance. I was given a route at which I drove my car and delivered cold and hot meals to seniors within Norridge, Harwood Heights, and Norwood Park and I continue to do this, yesterday was my second day doing this and I truly believe it is important to help the elderly as much as possible especially when it has to do with such a serious matter as providing them with food.

The Seniors Assistance Center is located at 7774 Irving Park Rd. in Norridge. They are always looking for loyal and committed volunteers to help with deliveries. You can call them or contact them at 708-456-7979 for any further information.

Arleen Newhouse is the director and she's always looking for committed drivers, someone that's not there just once or twice, but someone who will actually keep on doing it because they're always in need of drivers to make sure that the food gets to the resident within Norridge, Harwood Heights anywhere in the township and to make sure that the food is hot. It's really a good thing that they've got going there.

Trustee Dobrzycki: I definitely believe you've earned some bonus points for your community service and Sandy Gubur who is the Executive Director of the West Suburban Special Recreation Association assured me that the pool party on July 8th was for my daughter's birthday, who was born on July 8th. I was planning on attending anyway.

Trustee Jeziorny: I said I would give you an update on the village bus program. We have just held our Public Hearing tonight at 7:00 pm; just prior to this Board meeting which is a requirement that must be met for the purpose of the Bus Grant application. I want to thank those in attendance and for your questions and all your participation. We should find out in the Fall of this year if our Village has been approved for the Bus Grant and if we are lucky to have been approved for the grant, I was told that we would get the 14-passenger bus after the first of the year.

In regards to the other bus program from PACE, I want to report that all the paperwork for that program has already been submitted to PACE.

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As Coordinator of the bus program, I have already taken a 2-hour course and obtained my Certificate and will soon get training on PACE's reporting procedures.

However, I have noticed on the agenda tonight that there is a motion put on by the Mayor for an expenditure of \$3,000 for a Bus Coordinator. In light of our controlling expenses of the Village, I am more than willing to continue to provide the coordination at NO CHARGE to the Village.

I have also arranged that both Drivers complete the required 1-hour Substance Abuse Computer Training on-line. Their Certificates of Achievement have been submitted to PACE along with the other required information such as Background Checks, Driver License information and Federal D.O.T. Medical Examiner Certificate in accordance with the Motor Carrier Safety Regulations; we're only awaiting 1 more item.

I am awaiting a call from PACE tomorrow hopefully, for confirmation on whether we have approval for Class attendance for one of our Drivers for Monday, June 30. This class could take from anywhere from one to three days.

Thus far, with the PACE program, everything is moving along quite well. PACE has been very helpful. I also want to thank our Village Drivers for their absolutely full cooperation. They have both been willing to sit and take the test, go for all the physicals, go for all the drug tests, the alcohol tests and so far I can reassure you they're clean. They all really took the time and took all the tests and I think they are looking forward to a new vehicle just as we are.

I would also like to thank Trustee Mougolias for his assistance in setting up the computer support for one of the Drivers to take the online test and again for his contribution at a meeting in preparing and presenting a maintenance procedure that would be beneficial in keeping a regular and ongoing maintenance schedule for our bus vehicles.

So once again, it is my concern that we provide our residents with the safest means of transportation, for not only our seniors but those with disabilities and our residents as well; so we have a wonderful working village bus.

On the other hand, too, I just do want to make a comment that as a member of the Finance Committee, I too attended the June 24th, Tuesday's meeting, with a combined meeting of the police and the Finance Committee; but I have to say that I was truly also very discouraged with the level of cooperation. And, when a meeting is called and employees are requested to be in attendance, it should not be the Mayor that forbids them to attend. It should be their prerogative and if they can't attend, just a sense of courtesy to call or send a memo to say sorry we can't be there. But none of this was done.

And, this type of leadership is not benefiting the community. The only way we can step ahead and go forward is to have one person talk to another person so that we can ask the questions and we can get to the goals that we need to achieve. And one of the goals and the purposes of this, the police and Finance Committee, as well as the Public Works and Water & Sewer and Finance Committee is to get to the appropriation budget and get it done on time. And we are all striving to do that, I think we are all working together very closely to get that done, it's just that we need more cooperation and that's kind of what's hindering us in that regard.

And thank you again for all coming and attending the public hearing, we appreciate it.

Trustee Dobrzycki: I'll conclude quickly, I have learned that the State of Illinois Department of Public Health will be monitoring the mosquitoes, the frequency and numbers throughout the village. This will assist the village in coordinating our efforts with Clarke Mosquito and the Harwood Heights Public Works staff; further assist us in making sure that we don't have problems with West Nile Virus.

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G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Mougolias, seconded by Trustee Schuepfer on Consent Agenda items: I 1 - I 25:

Trustee Schuepfer pulled I 6 & I 9 for a separate vote.

Trustee Mougolias pulled I 3 for a separate vote.

Trustee Jezierny pulled I 19 & I 20 for a separate vote.

Motion by Trustee Schuepfer, seconded by Trustee Jezierny on Consent Agenda items I 1-2, I 4-5, I 7-8, I 10-18 & I 21-25:

1. To approve the regular minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held June 12, 2008.
2. To approve the minutes of the Special Board meeting held Tuesday, June 10, 2008
4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$5,110.00, payable to Northwest Municipal Conference to be expensed to line item 11-01-00-7027 – General Administration.
5. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,093.66, payable to SPD Incorporated for service request dated 6/8/2008 for labor and travel (double time) mileage and Material – Non-submersible Transducer to be expensed to line item 22-00-00-7042 – FY 08/09 – Water & Sewer.
7. To approve the purchase of a digitized radio signal, not to exceed \$10,000.00, payable to SPD Incorporated, Public Works will assist in installation, to be expensed to line item 22-00-00-7042 – FY 08/09 – Water & Sewer.
8. To approve expenditure not to exceed \$4,337.00, payable to Ancel, Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & Krafhefer, PC for invoice 11556 for the May billing with \$1,243.25 expensed to line item 11-02-00-7057 and \$3,093.75 expensed to line item 11-05-00-7031 FY 08/09 – Legal.
10. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$4,770.00, payable to Hendricksen Tree service Co. expensed to line item 11-04-00-7050, FY 08/09 for removal of 8 trees at the following locations, 5133 Octavia, 4423 N. New England, 2 @ Union Ridge School, 7540 West Strong, 4641 N. Nagle Avenue, 4341 N. Newland Avenue and 6778 West Forest Preserve Drive.
11. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$975.00, payable to EVRIS Automotive for the replacement of tires including mounting, balancing, old tire disposal and labor fees of the 2000 Ford Truck/Helper bus (VIN #IFDXE45F2YHA12342) to be expensed to line item 11-08-00-7044 08/09 – Recreation.
12. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,002.00, payable to Bill's Auto & Truck Repair, for the repairs to the wheelchair lift for the 2000 Ford Truck/Helper bus (VIN) #1FDXE45F2YHA12342) to be expensed to line item 11-08-00-7044 FY 08/09 – Recreation.
13. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$191.00 month (\$2292.00) annualized to the United Office Systems for Francotyp-Postalia Model Ultimailer 65 Digital Mailing System 36 month lease with \$1.00 buyout to be in compliant with the United Post Office requirement, and to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.
14. To authorize the Village Board to approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,500.00 for flood grant application to 7515 West Winnemac to be expensed to line item 22-00-00-7075 to be expensed to FY 08/09 pending all permits and inspections.

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15. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$12,760.15**, payable to WSSR for 3rd quarter share and inclusion payment expensed to line item 11-08-00-7037 for 08/09 - Special Recreation.
16. To approve Trustee Arlene Jezierny as Chairperson of the Economic Development Committee for period ending April 30, 2009.
17. To approve **Ordinance 08-14**, An Ordinance Establishing Prevailing Wages for Public Works in the Village Of Harwood Heights, Cook County, Illinois.
18. To approve Waiver of Review by the Ordinance and Legislation Committee pursuant to Section 1.12.220 of the Village Code of **Ordinance 08-15**, an Ordinance Creating the Position of Bus Program Coordinator.
21. To approve **Resolution 08-13**. Approving an Agreement between the Village of Harwood Heights and the County of Cook for the Cook County Mobile Video and Data Communications Network and authorizing its execution.
22. To approve the posting of advertising signs to promote St. Rosalie's Carnival for dates of July 17th thru July 20th and then removal after carnival.
23. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$11,622.68**, payable to Robbins Schwartz Nicholas Lifton & Taylor for invoice 218157 dated 4/30/08 - **\$1,000** Retainer Fee, line item 11-02-00-7050, **\$3,831.80** Legal, line item 11-02-00-7051, **\$6,667.13**, line item 11-05-00-7031 Police Legal, and **\$123.75**, line item 11-02-00-7055 Liability FY 08/09 – Legal.
24. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of **\$305,613.38** as they appear on check register **#44869** thru **#44935**.
25. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of **\$136,123.56** to Parkway Bank Payroll Account.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 1-2, I 4-5, I 7-8, I 10-18 & I 21-25 resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Trustee Szlendak

Motion Carried

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Mougolias, seconded by Trustee Schuepfer on Consent Agenda item I 3:

Trustee Mougolias: I would just like to say I am all for training of the police personnel, but the board has no idea what this is for. I would recommend approving this because I believe the training would be necessary but I would recommend approving it based or in contingent to an explanation of what it is for. The Chief has not informed us at all what this is about. So as I said, I would like maybe to amend it and say "approved contingent upon information passed to the board from the Chief". We have to know what it's for. Like I said, I'm all for training and I think we should give them all the training they need but we don't know what type of training it is. It's a \$2,800 expense and we don't know at all what it's for.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Trustee Mougolias how would you like to have that stipulated, by written memo, by email?

Trustee Mougolias: By email is fine.

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Trustee Dobrzycki: Clerk Larson could you please amend the motion to include that it is contingent based on email information from the Chief of Police.

Motion to Amend by Trustee Mougolias, seconded by Trustee Gadzinski on Consent Agenda item I 3:

Trustee Dobrzycki: Any further discussion on the amended motion?

Trustee Jezierny: I just do; we specified email, why don't we just say written. Whether it's written via email or via a memo; just written explanation.

Trustee Mougolias: A written explanation.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Trustee Mougolias are you willing to revise your motion?

Trustee Mougolias: Yes.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Trustee Gadzinski, are you willing to revise your second?

Trustee Gadzinski: Yes.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Clerk, with that having been done can you please make that revision in that motion.

3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$2,790.00**, payable to North East Multi Regional Training, Inc., for training for 24 full time officers @\$90 each and 7 of civilian employees @ \$90 each to be expensed to line item 11-05-00-7036 FY 08/09 – Police. **(Approved contingent based on written information from the Chief of Police.)**

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda item I 3 as amended resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Trustee Szlendak

Motion Carried

No Motion; Motion Failed on Consent Agenda item I 6:

6. To award the Oak Park Avenue Water Main Project to the low bidder, Trine Construction Co. in the amount of **\$457,457.57** pursuant to the recommendation of the engineer from Christopher Burke Engineering.

Motion by Trustee Schuepfer, seconded by Trustee Mougolias on Consent Agenda item I 9:

Trustee Schuepfer: The reason that I pulled this is that when we received our packets we noted that this payment was due June 30th and I recall last year that this was something that we had in fact discussed at a Committee Meeting of the Whole. The only information in our packet was "bill due." I do think that we need to pay this, but once again the problem is if you have a Mayor that's refusing to put agenda items on the Committee of the Whole in a timely fashion so that it can be discussed and trustees can be informed as to what they're voting on; as opposed to be given a bill at the enth hour and then accentually being leveraged with that kind of pressure in which we have to vote to pay the bills. So, I respectfully request that we do in fact pass this but again noting for the public record that we're once again confronted with an agenda item in which we had no information.

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Trustee Mougolias: I would like to reiterate Trustee Schuepfer's comments. This is a \$75,000 expense and we are asked today to approve this expense. We have no information on this expense at all; in prior years we've had the Benefits Coordinator or someone, I believe Larry Noller may have done it also, but someone had come and given us a presentation on this and we worked on this to come up with the amount we're going to pay them and if we wanted to stay in this program or if we wanted to, I believe there's different alternatives we can pick from and this year we just have the bill here and we have three days to pay it. So, if we don't pay it the village will be may be accessed penalties or fines or interest, so we're pretty much forced to pay it but, again, because of lack of information I am afraid we may not be making the best decisions for this village because of lack of information; I'm sorry.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Any additional comments?

Trustee Schuepfer: I guess my concern is that in fact it doesn't appear in an appropriation and this in fact goes back to 2004 as well as it extends to December of 2006. So, in light of the fact that we're very concerned about the village finances, I'm hard pressed to think about where we're going to get this \$75,000.

Trustee Dobrzycki: I just would like to add that as Trustee Mougolias mentioned, out in past the Information Manager, Mr. Larry Noller did present us with a presentation, giving us background information and how it benefits the village. Seeing that it is an expense, a large expense, a large bill to pay but it does benefit the village and we may not have complete information. But, Mr. Noller did repeatedly say that this plan in its various forms is something that the village should attend to and apply.

Trustee Mougolias: But I believe most of the presentation was done by Bridgette in the office who is the benefit's coordinator; most of it and she has done it in year's prior also. So we could have had her do the same thing again. It's just that I am really seeing that the trustees are having a real hard time getting information and having the people in this village work with us and I don't believe it's the people working in the village. As I said, the Mayor has repeatedly told them that they are not to communicate with us and as I said I don't know if we are making all the right decisions for this village and I'm very sorry for the residents that we have to do these kinds of things.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Thank you Trustee Mougolias, point well taken.

Trustee Jezierny: Yes, I was also going to make a comment that it wasn't Larry Noller when we visited in this room right next door, Bridgette had all the paperwork from this Illinois League Risk Management and explained to us all the minimums and maximums and the loss in between and what we needed to do with what we might be faced with and she did a great presentation. So again, if employees could just talk to us, people that do their jobs it gives us a good understanding of their day to day events and it helps us to make better decisions when things like this come before us. I would tend to table it but this is due June 30th, this is the 26th. I can't pay a \$75,000 bill not knowing anything about it but maybe we can make it contingent on something or maybe call a Special Board Meeting in order to get this bill paid; I think we need to be safe.

Trustee Dobrzycki: What's the pleasure of the board? Once again, you must take into consideration that it is due on the 30th maybe we could follow-up with the Benefits Coordinator, Bridgette. My suggestion at this point is because this goes several years back we may incur some costs, once again, unknown to us, proceed with the payment and then to ask for further information and explanation as we prepare for next year.

Trustee Jezierny: May I then make an amendment to, very similar to what we did on motion I 3, is contingent "upon a written explanation from Bridgette explaining this maximum and minimum loss for the years 04/05 and then through 05/06". And the Attorney is recommending that we put a time limit on it so we can get a written explanation from Bridgette by Monday morning. It's due the 30th. Let's say tomorrow, tomorrow by 4:00pm when we can get it in our bins.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Counsel, would a public meeting be required or would this be strictly an administrative function?

Attorney Paul Stephanides: Administrative function, no public meeting would be required upon receiving the information. The motion I believe would authorize immediate payment.

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Trustee Dobrzycki: Once again, I think some good points have been brought up. This would weigh heavily in the fact of, first of all, will Bridgette be in attendance tomorrow at work? I'm not her supervisor, I don't know if any of you do know for sure if she's going to be at work tomorrow; second of all, what her workload is tomorrow. I think that we should also think about that too. I know sometimes I promise to make due at work and then my schedule, just as this evening was overloaded and had to stay over. I'd like to know, Trustee Mougolias do you have any information if we don't make the payment on June 30th would we incur any fees or penalties?

Trustee Mougolias: No, I don't have any information, as I said I have no idea on anything about this. All I know is that we have a \$75,000 bill due in three days, four days and for us to get an answer we have to make a motion on each item individually at a board meeting and I really think that this is getting ridiculous.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Once again, it is an insurance item. Not knowing the intricacies of this insurance, the question would be, since we don't have this information, would we incur any additional costs? Is this, does this precede if we make this payment would this prevent us from incurring any further losses? That's a question to me, do we assume additional liability if we don't make the \$75,000 payment on June 30th and instead of paying \$75,000, this is an open question, honest, I don't know the answer myself, if we don't make the \$75,000 payment on June 30th, on Tuesday do we all of a sudden see a bill of \$100,000 or \$150,000? I think that's an honest question.

Attorney Paul Stephanides: The problem trustees could be again, coverage; that would be the ultimate problem, than you would be without insurance until payment's made.

Trustee Gadzinski: Can we make it pending information on, if there's going to be a gap in coverage, if there's going to be some kind fee, some kind of penalty? Can it be pending that?

Trustee Dobrzycki: Once again I ask the pleasure of the board; what you see fit, I will go along. Once again, we must assume responsibility for the decision that we make here tonight. So, if it does go through with this additional amendment and contingency, do we take on the issues raised? Do we incur any additional liability or fees? Do we lack any coverage at any given moment and what type of liability do we incur at that time? I think those are cognicent questions, very determined questions, something we need to address. How do we attack this problem?

Trustee Mougolias: I really think that we should pay this item, just because it is due on the 30th and the village cannot go without insurance if that's what happens, if that's what it means. It would be very irresponsible of us to let the village go even one day or one hour without insurance. So, I'm not sure if that's the case, but I'm not willing to take the chance. I would recommend to pay it but I still would stipulate that, because that's the only way we're going to get the information, as stipulated that if we pay it, we need to have that information by Monday. So, otherwise, we will never, we'll pay it and we still won't know what we paid, why we paid it and what happens. So we won't know for next year or for the appropriation or for anything. We will again be in the dark on what's going on in this village.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Trustee Mougolias do we proceed with the original motion or do you plan to amend the motion?

Trustee Jezierny: Could we just take a five minute recess; I'd like to have the opportunity to call Bridgette and maybe see if we can get some explanation right here, now.

Motion to recess; all in favor. Board recessed at 8:35pm; reconvened at 8:40pm.

Trustee Jezierny: Yes, thank you. Luckily, Bridgette was at home and did give us some answers and I'll be happy to share it with the board. What these are, are basically workmen's comp claims, accident claims, liability claims that were finally settled from the years of 2004/2005 and also settled from the years of 2005/2006. What we do in the Illinois Municipal Risk Management Association is we pay the minimum risk claims that we think that our village will incur and then there are claims always outstanding. And then, once they get settled, sometimes it takes a few years to get settled, then we have to pay whatever it is over that minimum in order to satisfy the claims that have been made thus far; so that is why the 04/05 date, so the total due is \$29,000 for that, for all settled claims during that period which is over the minimum and then for the contract year 05/06 the bill is \$45,000 and that's for the settled claims over the minimum during that period of time.

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Trustee Dobrzycki: Is that all Trustee Jezierny?

Trustee Jezierny: That's it, thank you.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Thank you very much. That answers the timeline questions as to why we're addressing issues from December 2004 through December of 2005 and December 2005 to December 2006. Basically, as Trustee Jezierny explained the minimum/ maximum scheme in the insurance through the Illinois Municipal League is that if we pay the maximum, if there are any claims made against the village, the village does not have to make any additional payments. If you pay the minimum, and once again this is a reason of risk taking, in other words gambling; basically, we're hoping that we don't incur any liability. If we do and it goes over the minimum insurance payment that we made, the coverage that we purchased, then we're responsible for making the additional payments. Hopefully, the differences between the minimum and the maximum gives us enough precaution and enough encouragement to make that decision and in this case these are the amounts due. So, I do, I would recommend to the board that we do make those payments with that explanation; in the future we try to coordinate our efforts to gather further information as was done in the past.

9. To approve the following expenditure of \$74,586.60 which will be reclassified to appropriate departments, to approve expenditure payable to Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Assoc. for insurance losses as follows: 12/31/04 – 12/31/05 Cost \$29,364.60 and for years 12/31/05-12/31/06 \$45,222.00 expensed to line item 11-03-00-8000 – Finance Account.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda item I 9 resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Trustee Szlendak

Motion Carried

Motion by Trustee Mougolias, seconded by Trustee Schuepfer on Consent Agenda item I 19:

Trustee Jezierny: Yes, I have read through the Mayor's ordinance which did not come through the Ordinance Committee or even discussed at the Committee of the Whole; but I did take a look at it and when I contacted the Mayor and asked her who was going be the coordinator because I needed to finish my paperwork. She said "I put your name down." So, I have been acting as the Bus Coordinator and getting the paperwork to PACE and getting the applications done and all that. So, in reading that ordinance I have made an amendment to it and I would like to pass it out and share it with the board and if everything looks in order than to entertain a motion to adopt Ordinance 08-15 with the amendments as noted.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Trustee Jezierny can you please describe and declare those amendments you made to this motion, to this ordinance, I'm sorry.

Trustee Jezierny: We can have the Clerk read it.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Instead of reading through the entire item, it's not long. Clerk Larson can you please proceed to read this ordinance and Trustee Jezierny after she's done could you please describe the differences between the original ordinance and the amended ordinance.

Clerk Larson: Read the amended version of Ordinance 08-15, an Ordinance Creating the Position of Bus Program Director and Transportation Coordinator.

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Trustee Jezierny: Okay, as far as the differences Mayor Pro-tem you wanted me to specify; one is in the title itself, it's Bus Program Director and Transportation Coordinator which is the requirements of the PACE application. The other change is in the creation of the position, basically it says "to be appointed by the Corporate Authorities" and basically the duties is probably the majority of what the Clerk read, it's not just reports per se, but the individual has to attend classes, has to get trained by PACE, they are responsible for the reasonable suspicion drug testing, random testing and all that. So that is all incorporated into the duties of this ordinance which were let out from the previous one.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Thank you Trustee Jezierny. Additional discussion; Trustee Schuepfer.

Trustee Schuepfer: I just wanted to ask a question of Trustee Jezierny, especially since she was working on all the documents for the PACE application. For the duties that you've identified in this ordinance, is that coming directly from the requirements from PACE? Are they specifically saying that this is the individual in the municipality that's responsible for these activities?

Trustee Jezierny: Yes; as a matter of fact when I was filling out the application and sent it to the Mayor for her signature, I indicated to her that there was some other paperwork that I still needed to submit to PACE which is the detail on the drivers, their testing, get them through the clinics, get them through the online on the computer with the help of Trustee Mougolias. And the requirement in filling out these papers, these last few papers over and above the agreement, indicated who is the Program Coordinator and the Bus Director and I called Mayor Fuller and I said I need to know who you want to be this and basically she said "I put your name down". And I thought maybe it would be good for somebody in the office who is there on a daily basis to gather and comply the forms that come in from the drivers and she said "we have no one", so I said I'm happy to do it, to find out all what's involved and then maybe in time we can have someone inside locally do it. But, as this is a new program for us in putting all the paperwork together and getting everything including the maintenance procedures that Trustee Mougolias brought out and then you have to go to class to learn all about the reporting procedures that PACE requires. I am willing to do all that at no charge to the village and also the paperwork that I then had to fill out then had to include my name and that is because Mayor Fuller indicated that she had indicated that on the original application, so I went along and took the ball and did the required paperwork and the requirements for these titles.

Trustee Schuepfer: Can I finish my question and it only needs a one word answer. If we don't do this, we don't qualify for the PACE program?

Trustee Jezierny: That's correct.

Trustee Schuepfer: Thank you.

Motion to Amend by Trustee Mougolias, seconded by Trustee Schuepfer on Consent Agenda item I 19:

- 19. To adopt Ordinance 08-15, an Ordinance Creating the Position of Bus Program Director and Transportation Coordinator. (The other change is "shall be appointed by the Corporate Authorities" and also Part B: Duties - expanded to include additional responsibilities.)**

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda item I 19 as amended resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Trustee Szlendak

Motion Carried

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Motion by Trustee Schuepfer, seconded by Trustee Mougolias on Consent Agenda item I 20:

Trustee Schuepfer: I think we need to amend this motion. Let me suggest that the amendment read something along the lines that we approve Trustee Jezierny to serve as the Bus Program Director and Transportation Coordinator and in compliance with her request at no additional compensation until April 30th of next year.

Trustee Dobrzycki: I heard the village counsel take a deep breath; can you please explain?

Attorney Paul Stephanides: The problem with the appointment is it's not on your agenda, so under that Rice vs Board of Adams County, that would have to be on a separate agenda but the amendment that you proposed for no compensation can be made.

Trustee Dobrzycki: May I make a suggestion that we table this item and since we've already approved the position, this is only the salary of that position, unless there is some requirement by PACE that we designate a payment for this position, some type of salary or otherwise. Why don't we table this item and then when the appointment comes up for a vote at the next board meeting then we could approve both?

Trustee Jezierny: We're looking at an expenditure of \$3,000 for the Bus Program Coordinator. I am acting as the Bus Program Coordinator, my recommendation is as long as I'm doing it, a majority of the work is done, I'm not taking a penny on it. Why put it in? We have to really watch our expenses and the appropriations we have; I'm willing to do it for no charge.

Trustee Dobrzycki: That's understood, but that's not the point made. Once again, this is for a position, if you deem it so appropriate not to be paid for the position that is your will and your doing. We can either do one of two things, either table this item or withdraw this item, the pleasure of the board.

Trustee Schuepfer: I still believe I can amend it to read that the compensation for FY 09 shall be one dollar.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Is that what you'd like to do then, amend the motion for one dollar.

Trustee Schuepfer: To read that the appropriation for FY 09 for the Bus Program Director and Transportation Coordinator be one dollar.

Trustee Dobrzycki: That would be with the understanding that Trustee Jezierny would assume that position and take that appointment at that time for that amount?

Trustee Schuepfer: I didn't say that.

Trustee Dobrzycki: So it's; how about if, once again I make this suggestion that we table or withdraw it and bring it up again when the vote comes up for the appointment of the position.

Trustee Mougolias: I would think if we approve it at one dollar we can always change the appropriation when we do the appropriations. Is that right attorney?

Attorney Paul Stephanides: Yes.

Trustee Mougolias: So, as long as we approve it with a, if Trustee Jezierny wants to stay, as long as we approve it with a dollar, we can always, if we see that she doesn't want to do it anymore we can appropriate money for it and make the line item have more money; put more money in the line item.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Thank you Trustee Mougolias. Does that accommodate your wishes Trustee Schuepfer?

Trustee Schuepfer: If it's one dollar, that's fine.

Trustee Dobrzycki: Do you approve the amendment to the motion? You made the amendment to the motion.

Trustee Schuepfer: Correct. Compensation is one dollar.

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Trustee Dobrzycki: Do you approve the amendment?

Trustee Schuepfer: It was my motion.

Trustee Dobrzycki: I know.

Trustee Mougolias: I'll second her motion.

Motion to Amend by Trustee Schuepfer, seconded by Trustee Mougolias on Consent Agenda item I 20:

20. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1.00 for the Bus Program **Director and Transportation Coordinator** to be appropriated in the fiscal year 2008-09 appropriation. – Recreation.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda item I 20 as amended resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Trustee Szlendak

Motion Carried

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. OLD BUSINESS

None

L. CORRESPONDENCE

None

M. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None

N. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Gadzinski: I have some new information from our reporter from the Pioneer Press, she lives in Park Ridge and she just told me that this infestation of this Gypsy Moth hit Park Ridge actually and it's been latching on to her windows and her house and they're all over. But when I called up the Department of Agriculture the other day, I had specifically asked if there was an infestation within the boundaries or within certain suburbs neighboring to Harwood Heights, Park Ridge, Des Plaines, Rosemont or Elmwood Park and they said no. And I will call Park Ridge tomorrow morning first thing and also the Department of Agriculture and get this straightened out and let everyone know what's going on with this moth. But, up until that time, please call into the village and report any kind of caterpillars walking around your windows or clinging to your house and trees and all that.

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I also have one more comment, as we celebrate our glorious countries Independence Day next Friday, and you spend time with your family, friends and neighbors...Please remember to be safe and have fun, while remembering what really makes this Country so great, and what it means to be an American.

That might mean something different for each of us, but for me, immigrating to this country at a young age, I have been presented with endless opportunities, freedom to express myself, having the right to vote, being able to run for public office, and most importantly given the rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

I am very proud to live here in this Country and to be an American citizen. I am also very glad to be here with all of you tonight.

I wish you all a very prosperous weekend and also a safe 4th of July next weekend.

May God bless our country and each one of you!

Trustee Jezierny: I just wanted to as Chairman of the Economic Development Committee, I thank you board members and I just wanted to say that next month, in the month of July we will have our second meeting of the Economic Development Committee. It will be posted and hopefully we'll get it posted early so everybody has enough time to take a look at what's going on.

I just want to say, Trustee Gadzinski that was beautifully said and made me kind of warm inside as far as being proud to be an American.

Trustee Dobrzycki: I would like to say that my next monthly "Meet with Mark" was originally planned to take place at my favorite place Butera's, but unfortunately, my wife deemed that this Saturday will be a Garage Sale and so the next monthly "Meet with Mark" meeting will be at the Garage Sale at my house, just in case my wife decides to take one of my rare collectables and ending up on a place on a selling table. So, I will be there.

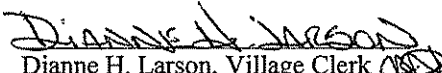
I wish everyone the best on the 4th of July and I do thank the board and all of you for giving me this honor to lead this meeting tonight.

O. EXECUTIVE SESSION

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Mougolias, seconded by Trustee Jezierny 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 Temporary Chair, Mark Dobrzycki on Thursday, June 26, 2008 at 9:03pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Dianne H. Larson, Village Clerk