MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2009

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

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jezierny asked everyone to join her in a moment of silence to remember all of our Veteran's who have served our country; for the soldiers at Ft Hood who lost their lives and those injured and for our entire military who keeps us safe.

C. ROLL CALL

Mayor	Arlene C. Jezierny
Clerk	Marcia L. Pollowy
Deputy Clerk	Mary O'Connor
Trustees	Mark Dobrzycki (arrived at 8:40pm) Michael Gadzinski Demetrios Mougolias Therese Schuepfer Lawrence Steiner Lester Szlendak
Attorney	Rob Bush

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

Roy Schmidt, 4336 N Rutherford: Asked why appropriations weren't given to the whole board before they had to vote on it at the board meeting? Where did the money come from to approve the travel before the Mayor and Clerk went to Washington D.C.? Why isn't the Board given any financial reports? Do we know how much money was spent and where it was spent from previous administrations that put us on the black ball list for the COPS program? Why are we spending money on the FAA Grant Coordinator?

Theresa Raimondi, 4541 N Canfield, Norridge: Events chairperson for the 2010 Relay for Life. The Norridge/Harwood Heights Relay for Life will be held on August 6, 2010. Will be coming every month to give us an update on events.

E. REPORTS OF MAYOR, TRUSTEES, CLERK AND ATTORNEY

Mayor's Report

Mayor Jezierny

On the agenda tonight is the appointment of our residents to the Historical Committee. These residents can share much of the history of our community with their knowledge. I thank those who wish to donate their time and look forward to the opening our Historical Room for all others to view in the near future.

On the agenda is the hiring of a full-time Public Works employee as well as the hiring for the FAA Grant Coordinator. The Superintendent and Foreman conducted the interviews for the Public Works employee and presented their recommendation to the Board. The application is included with the agenda for Board review and approval. I conducted the interviews for the FAA Coordinator along with a representative from Houseal-Lavigne, our Planning Consultants. It was a tough choice but we both agreed that Ms. DiFonzo had the experience and knowledge by previously working in Harwood Heights and also working for engineers for all their planning needs. Her application was also presented to the Board for review and approval.

On our check register – check #47270 is a cost for the Village to the Harwood Heights Pension fund in the amount of $232,409.10. This amount is from the previous year tax levy receipts due to the Police Pension fund. It is unfortunate that this amount has to come from our current funds because it was never paid previously and needed to be paid to fulfill the 2007 tax levy.

I have been offered and accepted to serve on the Legislative Committee for the West Central Municipal Conference. My first meeting takes place in a couple weeks and I look forward to participating in this process.

I would like to announce that the Village of Harwood Heights will once again sponsor a Tax Appeals Outreach Seminar for our residents. This seminar will address your property assessments for next year's taxes (for example: your 2009 taxes billed in year 2010). Members from the Board of Review will conduct this meeting on December 1, 2009 at 7:00 pm at Ridgewood's Bernero Auditorium. The Village of Norridge will also sponsor theirs on a separate day.

At the recent Committee of the Whole meeting on Wednesday, November 4th, our Planning Consultant, John Houseal from Houseal-Lavinge, kicked off the first Project Initiation and Outreach meeting outlining some of the planning process strategies. Along with our Village Board, members of the Zoning Board, Plan Commission, Building Dept and Public Works were in attendance to partake in the process. The Planners will conduct a number of Community Workshops and introduce an inter-active website to encourage participation. They really want full participation of as many residents, businesses and commercial companies as they can.

On Thursday, November 5th, I had my first Outreach meeting with the Businesses. Its main focus was to get acquainted with each other, meet our Department Heads and ask them what concerns they had and how we as a Village can assist. Each Department also shared information on fingerprinting procedures, Code Red information, Water Meters, Backflow solutions, Permits and Chamber of Commerce information. They also met our Economic Development Coordinator. It was a good meeting and they appreciated the outreach and sharing of ideas.

On behalf of the Village, I would like to welcome the opening of Baltic – Good Polish Food at 7352 W. Lawrence. They opened this week and offer a variety of polish dishes! Congratulations and we wish you our best for a successful business venture.

I spoke to the owner and manager of Las Palmas at our Business meeting and they indicated that they will be opening very soon – possibly next week. We look forward to your opening day.

As a result of our meeting with Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky in Washington, DC, Chief Ricchio and I had a very good and lengthy meeting on Tuesday, Oct 27th with members of her staff as a follow-up. We discussed a number of key issues for the Police Department and for our infrastructure. We will be coordinating our work through research and paperwork and look forward to hearing from Congresswoman's Schakowsky office.

I attended the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission meeting held on Friday, November 6th. As most of you may know a measurement of "DNL" is the "average" noise of flights taking off and landing during the day and night. This is the base measurement on whether we qualify for soundproofing. I have requested a day average only - as the Airport has a fly quiet adherence in the evening and I felt it was important to find out the day average which will give us a reading of what noise residents experience during day.

At this time I would like to congratulate a family for their service to others. Some members of this Board, along with our Chief and I attended a meeting that honored one of our businessmen in Harwood Heights along with his wife for all they do for charities. It was truly an honor for me to congratulate two people who work together for the good of their family and others. I have a plaque I would like to read. (Mayor Jezierny read plaque and presented it to Nuccio and Laura D'Argento)

Now to address Important Financial Issues:

Residents of Harwood Heights,

Upon taking office, we uncovered a number of internal problems resulting in potential loss of funds. I can assure you that immediate action was and is being taken to examine all financial records. This was accomplished by terminating our staff

accountant and hiring professional accountants to look at ALL transactions. We are also working together with our auditors to provide them with the necessary documents, records and trial balances so we can produce our 2008 and 2009 audits. A Forensic accounting audit was also performed to determine where any misappropriation of funds may have occurred. Documents and reports produced by this forensic audit have been turned over to the Cook County States Attorney for further investigation. We have implemented procedures and safeguards to protect our financial processing and we are getting closer to presenting a total financial picture. Through this process, before expenses are submitted for payment, our current accountants review our cash balances before they are presented to the Board for approval.

We are taking ALL necessary steps and precautions to assure that our Village finances are processed, reviewed and reported properly and accurately. This will enable our Village Board to have reports that will give us a complete picture of where we stand; accompanied with statistical reports to assist us in our planning process for the future.

Since the entire financial situation is under investigation, my comments have been reviewed by our Village Attorney. Any further questions pertaining to our financial situation will need to be referred to our Attorney as members of this Board cannot respond directly to matters under investigation.

At this time, I would like to call upon our Auditor to give you a summary of our audit. I will ask our Attorney to intercede where needed.

Irwin A Lyons of Miller Cooper & Co Inc.
Stated that they were engaged in December of 2008 to perform the April 30, 2008 audit. In working with the staff and administration at that time, they weren't able to get the audit information they needed from the staff to go ahead with the audit. They were delayed in performing the audit. In May of 2009, I met with Mayor Jezierny, Trustee Szlendak and the Village accountant to set up a plan to see when all the documents needed to perform the audit could be ready (this is the April 30, 2008 audit he was referring to). At the end of June, a part time accounting staff was brought in to prepare the information that the former Village Accountant did not prepare. In the beginning of July, it was discovered that there was a number of un-deposited checks that were found in the former accountant's office that were never deposited. The new staff was able to collect on most of the checks that had been sitting in his office for quite a while. At the end of July they were engaged to look at some questionable transactions and to do agreed upon procedures and go through and document that the items had been identified. They got support together in the form of a package that was then turned over to the Mayor and Chief Ricchio. During the next couple months the accounting staff that was brought in started getting all the records together that were needed to do the audit. They needed to redo a substantial amount of the internal control testing and documentation on things that were done because of the new information that was available. Once they had the new information, they interviewed the staff, found out that the current system controls weren't actually taking place. Currently they are almost complete with the audit and by mid December we are looking at having a draft of the April 30, 2008 financial statement and filing letters that go along with that. That is currently where we stand on the 2008 audit and then they have to begin work on the 2009 audit.

Mayor Jezierny
Our next Board meeting will be December 10th. Until then I wish everyone a Happy and Safe Thanksgiving Holiday.

Forestry & Green Initiatives
Trustee Dobrzycki

No Report - Absent

Recreation
Trustee Gadzinski
The Youth Commission will be holding registration on Saturday, November 21st from 10am to 1pm for floor hockey and dodge ball. Floor hockey is for boys and girls ages 5 – 15 and dodge ball is for boys and girls ages 10-15. Please call the Village Hall for more information or check the Harwood Heights Village website. A Health fair will be held in the community center on Thursday, November 19th from 9am to 12pm. There are many sponsors: Resurrection Medical Center, the SAC, Dr. Mark Szymanski of Szymanski Chiropractic Center, the WSSRA, Curves, Central Baptist Village and the State of Illinois Department of Family Services. Thanks to the residents and friends and family who helped me fold and distribute the fliers throughout the village; they were a big help and I am hoping for a good turnout.

Mayor Jezierny thanked Trustee Gadzinski for his hard work and efforts in putting together the Health Fair.

Public Works
Water & Sewer
Trustee Steiner
Please observe street sweeping rules through the month of November. The new Public Works truck should be delivered to village the week of November 23rd. We have ample supply of salt and hopefully will not need it. Asked residents to please call Public Works if they see any sewers that are clogged. Gunnison Avenue is being worked on so exercise caution while driving on that road.

Public Health & Safety/Building
Trustee Mougolias

No Report

Ordinance/License
Trustee Schuepfer
Asked for Boards approval on agenda items I 42 & I 43. Hope to address the following items before the end of the year: Review of the Liquor License Ordinance, Preparation of the Abatement of the Tax Levy that's tied to two General Obligations Bonds. As a result of the Finance Committee meeting held on November 4th, we are reexamining the fee structure for Village stickers. Wished everyone a good Thanksgiving.

Finance
Information & Technology
Trustee Szlendak
The main topic of discussion at the Finance meeting held on November 4th was the Tax Levy for next year. The decision was that it will stay at the same dollar amount as last year. The proposal will be $1,632,470. The Finance Committee has decided that every item will be looked at to generate revenue. We will not raise property taxes. Our residents cannot afford any more taxes and we have to stop someplace. On Friday, November 13th, we will have our first vendor come in and give us a proposal for a software package to track our permits and other documents in our Building Department; we need a much better system than we have now. We are going to examine all the software packages available. We will have a Public Hearing meeting on December 10th at 7:00pm, right before the Board meeting, to discuss the Tax Levy. Welcomed everyone to attend and will be happy to answer any questions, anyone may have.

Mayor Jezierny invited everyone to attend the Public Hearing and stated that we will display the Tax Levy ahead of time in the lobby and that it will be posted in the paper. Also wanted everyone to know that some of the resident's tax bills have had the Homeowners Exemption omitted from their tax bill. If you have questions on your tax bill you can visit Dennis Karns at the Norwood Park Township Office.

Clerk's Report
We are collecting food donations for the Salvation Army. The collection for Thanksgiving will be until November 17th and the collection for Christmas will be December 15th. There are flyers in the lobby with the items that are needed. Thanked everyone who already donated. We will be holding a Sing-A-Long with the Clerk and Deputy Clerk, following in Clerk Larson's memory and tradition, on Friday, December 4th at 7:00pm.

Attorney's Report

No Report

F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Gadzinski
Attended the WSSRA meeting along with Trustee Steiner and Trustee Dobrzycki. A number of things were addressed and requested that we place the WSSRA on the next COW agenda to discuss these items. Wished everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Trustee Szlendak
Encouraged everyone to attend the December 1st meeting regarding the possibility of getting your taxes lowered.

G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

Motion by Trustee Gadzinski, seconded by Trustee Szlendak on Appointments/Reappointments.

1. To approve the following Appointments to the Historical Committee for a 1-yr term (11-15-09 to 11-14-10) Herman Wu, Betty Smith, Gwen Gialo, Michael Muscarello, Joan White, Laine Davis.

A roll call vote on Appointments/Reappointments resulted as follows:
A YES: Trustee Gadzinski, Mougolias, Schuepfer, Steiner, Szlendak
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Trustee Dobrzycki

Motion Carried

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Gadzinski seconded by Trustee Mougolias on Consent Agenda Items I 1 – I 47.

1. To approve the regular minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held October 22, 2009.

2. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$375.00**, payable to the Illinois Fire & Police Commissioner Association for 2010 membership dues expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-05-00-7025 – Police.

3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$1,666.00**, payable to Miner Electronics Corporation for removal of K-9 equipment and replacement of Proguard partition, prisoner seat and rear deck LED CVPI lite, expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-05-00-7044 – Police.

4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$3,300.00**, payable to H.D. Waterworks for the purchase of 20 - 1" Sensus water meters, 40 – 1" connectors and 100 – 1" rubber gaskets expensed to FY 09/10 line item 22-00-00-6016 – Water & Sewer.

5. To hire **Luis Medina, Jr.** as the Public Works laborer at a salary of **$30,000** with benefits effective November 23, 2009 pending complete background, drug and alcohol testing. Expensed to FY09/10 Line item 11-06-00-5001 – Public Works.

6. To hire **Donna DiFonzo** as the FAA Grant & Task Coordinator at a salary of **$44,000** with benefits effective November 23, 2009 pending complete background, drug and alcohol testing. ($40,000 to be drawn as part of the FAA in-kind Grant contribution) Expensed to FY09/10 Line item11-03-00-5016 – Finance.

7. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$14.00** per person, plus tip, to be determined by number of guests attending, payable to Ridgemoor Country Club for Village Christmas Party to be held on Thursday, December 17, 2009 expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-01-00-7040 – Administration.

8. To approve a Single-Family Flood Relief Grant FY 09/10 for **7437 W. Foster** in the amount of **$1,500.00** pending all licenses, inspections and approval from the plumbing inspector to be expensed to FY 09/10 line item 22-00-00-7075 – Water & Sewer.

9. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$1,424.83**, payable to Municipal Code Corporation for Village Code Book updates on Ordinances passed through September 30, 2009 expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-01-00-7048 – Village Code – Recodification.

10. Motion to authorize the Mayor to enter into and execute a 1-year Client Care Agreement for the period of November 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010 with WTI Systems, Ltd. for FundWare support and to approve an expenditure, not to exceed **$3,400.00**, payable to WTI Systems, Ltd, expensed to FY09/10 line item 11-03-00-7035 – Finance.

11. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$8,518.00**, payable to Miller Cooper & Co., Ltd for progress billing for services rendered through 9-15-09 in connection with audit agreement expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-03-00-7034 – Auditing – Finance.

12. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$10,772.00**, payable to Miller Cooper & Co., Ltd. for additional auditing services for the 2008 audit, expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-03-00-7034 – Auditing – Finance.

13. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$2,827.50**, payable to RGP Diversified Services, Inc. for accounting services for billing period of October 12, 2009 through October 23, 2009 as specified in the service agreement approved by the board at the September 24, 2009 Board meeting, expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-03-00-7032 – Finance.

14. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$3,136.25**, payable to RGP Diversified Services, Inc. for accounting services for billing period of October 26, 2009 through November 6, 2009 as specified in the service agreement approved by the board at the September 24, 2009 Board meeting, expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-03-00-7032 – Finance.

15. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$1,608.75**, payable to Harry I. Sakai, CPA for professional accounting services rendered for October 1, 2009 through October 11, 2009 expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-03-00-7034 – Finance.

16. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$15,676.71**, payable to Ancel Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & Krafthefer for billing through September 30, 2009; $10,076.35 expensed to line item 11-02-00-7051-Legal; $4,085.36 expensed to line item 11-02-00-7051 – Legal, FAA; $1,515.00 expensed to line item 11-05-00-7031 – Police Legal; FY 09/10.

17. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **$192,344.13** (payment with 1% discount) for regular annual contribution payable to IML Risk Management Association (Illinois Municipal Risk Management Association) for 12-31-09 to 12-31-10 expensed to FY 09/10 line item 11-03-00-8000 – Finance.

18. To approve wire transfer of **$7,195.75** SSA debt service payment from Parkway Bank & Trust Co. Lawrence Avenue SSA Tax Receipts & Debt Service Account to Amalgamated Bank of Chicago for semi-annual interest due December 1, 2009 for Series 2006A BI #2663 SSA Bonds. Amount to be charged to line item 57-00-00-5010 SSA Debt Service Fund Interest Expense.

19. To approve wire transfer of **$120,000.00** SSA debt service payment from Parkway Bank & Trust Co. Lawrence Avenue SSA Tax Receipts & Debt Service Account to Amalgamated Bank of Chicago for the annual principal due December 1, 2009 for Series 2006A BI #2663 SSA Bonds. Amount to be charged to line item 57-00-00-5010 SSA Debt Service Fund Interest Expense.

20. To approve wire transfer of **$52,825.00** SSA debt service payment from Parkway Bank & Trust Co. Lawrence Avenue SSA Tax Receipts & Debt Service Account to Amalgamated Bank of Chicago for semi-annual interest due December 1, 2009 for Series 2006B BI #2664 SSA Bonds. Amount to be charged to line item 57-00-00-5010 SSA Debt Service Fund Interest Expense.

21. To approve wire transfer of **$52,945.00** debt service payment from Parkway Bank & Trust Co. General Account to Amalgamated Bank of Chicago for semi-annual interest due December 1, 2009 for General Obligation Bonds Series 2003 BI #1984.Amount to be charged to line item 55-00-00-7025 General Obligation Bonds Fund Interest Expense.

22. To approve wire transfer of **$255,000.00** debt service payment from Parkway Bank & Trust Co. General Account to Amalgamated Bank of Chicago for the annual principal due December 1, 2009 for General Obligation Bonds Series 2003 BI #1984.Amount to be charged to line item 55-00-00-7025 General Obligation Bonds Fund Interest Expense.

23. Motion for the Board to approve the total amount of **$225.00**, payable to Domino's Pizza, to pay for the pizza purchased for the Halloween Party that was held on October 25, 2009. Expensed to FY 09/10-Line item 11-08-00-7033-Recreation

24. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$200.00**, payable to World's Oldest Sports for the purchase of trophies for beginning basketball program. Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7031-Recreation.

25. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$350.00**, payable to World's Oldest Sports for the purchase of trophies for the intermediate basketball program. Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7031-Recreation

26. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$200.00**, payable to World's Oldest Sports for the purchase of trophies for the advanced basketball program. Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7031-Recreation.

27. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$300.00,** payable to Domino's Pizza, for the purchase of pizza for basketball awards party to be held on 12/14/09. Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7031-Recreation

28. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$200.00**, for the purchase of beverages for basketball awards party to be held on 12/14/09. Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7031-Recreation.

29. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$850.00**, payable to World's Oldest Sports for the purchase of tee-shirts needed for gymnastics program. Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7033-Recreation.

30. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$300.00**, payable to Vince's Italian Restaurant for the purchase of pizzas for the gymnastics awards party. Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7033-Recreation.

31. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$200.00**, for the purchase of beverages and cookies/snacks for gymnastics awards party. Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7033-Recreation.

32. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the total amount of **$1,280.00**, payable to Carol McNamara for the last 4 weeks of coaching. ($40.00 per student X 68 students) Expensed to FY 09/10-Line item 11-08-00-7033-Recreation.

33. Motion for the board to approve expenditure in the amount of **$40.00** reimbursed to Jennifer Udischias for the purchase of pumpkins for Halloween party that was held on 10/25/09. Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7038-Recreation.

34. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$300.00**, for the purchase of beverages and supplies for Christmas party to be held on 12/14/09, Expensed to FY 09/10- Line item 11-08-00-7038-Recreation.

35. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$400.00** for the purchase of gifts from Santa for the Christmas party to be held on 12/14/09, Expensed to FY 09/10-Line item 11-08-00-7038-Recreation.

36. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$45.00**, for the purchase of McDonald's gift certificates as prizes for Christmas coloring contest. Expensed to FY 09/10-Line item 11-08-00-7038-Recreation.

37. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$150.00**, for the purchase of arts & crafts for Christmas party. Expensed to FY 09/10-Line item 11-08-00-7031-Recreation.

38. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed the amount of **$300.00** payable to Vince's Italian Restaurant for the purchase of pizza for the 2009 Christmas party. Expensed to FY 09/10-Line item 11-08-00-7031-Recreation.

39. Motion for the Board to approve expenditure not to exceed amount of **$450.00**, payable to Cori Hilton for the services rendered as Volleyball coach. (18 games X $25.00 per game). Expensed to FY 09/10-Line item 11-08-00-7034-Recreation.

40. Motion to approve a "Banner Sign" for Skores Club for a 6 week period ending 12-31-09.

41. Motion to approve a Christmas Sing-a-long with the Clerk/Deputy Clerk on Friday, December 4, 2009 at 7:00pm in the Village Community Room.

42. To adopt **Ordinance 09-29**: An Ordinance Amending the Harwood Heights Code of Ordinances to Delineate Apportion Liability for Medical Expenses Incurred by Arrestees While in Village Custody.

43. Motion to concur with the Planning Commission recommendation to adopt **Ordinance 09-30**, An Ordinance Establishing a Temporary Moratorium for All Uses in the M-1 and M-2 Manufacturing Districts.

44. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of **$667,097.86** as they appear on check register **#47172** thru **#47276**.

45. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of **$112,044.13** to Parkway Bank Payroll Account.

46. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account estimated payroll for 11-30-09 in the amount of **$135,000.00** to Parkway Bank Payroll Account.

47. Electronic transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of **$8,910.95** for October 2009 IMRF Pension Fund.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 1 – I 47 resulted as follows:
A YES: Trustee Gadzinski, Mougolias, Schuepfer, Steiner, Szlendak
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Trustee Dobrzycki

Motion Carried

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. OLD BUSINESS

None

L. CORRESPONDENCE

None

M. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Szlendak
Attended the meeting for N.O.I.S.E which is the national organization to insure sound control environment. This organization was instrumental in issuing the FAA grant that we participated in. Met with a number of small communities and they managed to get plane noise under control. Looking forward to working on getting soundproofing for our residents. The noise level is unacceptable.

Trustee Mougolias
The Chamber of Commerce is going to join the 350 project. This is an initiative to stimulate the local economy to try and get our resident to shop at our local businesses which in turns brings revenue to our Village. You can go to THE350PROJECT.NET to get further information. I will be bringing more information soon. It pays to spend your money within the Village it will help us to no be forced to raise taxes. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Jezierny
Commented that she asked our local businesses to contact her if they had any job openings in their factories or businesses so that we can post the employment opportunities on our website to help our residents be aware of employment opportunities in our area.

Trustee Steiner
Feels that it's encouraging that we had Burlington Coat Factory, the Baltic Restaurant, and Las Palmas opening. Encourages everyone to support these local businesses and is hoping that this will be the start of a turn around for the Village.

Mayor Jezierny commented that we are also going to have a Bulgarian Restaurant opening soon.

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to enter into Execution Session at 8:13pm by Trustee Gadzinski, seconded by Trustee Steiner

A roll call vote to enter into Executive session at 8:13pm resulted as follows:
A YES: Trustee Gadzinski, Mougolias, Schuepfer, Steiner, Szlendak
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Trustee Dobrzycki Motion Carried

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: (11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal.

Motion to reconvene the regular meeting at 8:45pm resulted as follows:
Motion by Trustee Steiner, seconded by Trustee Dobrzycki.

Clerk Pollowy called the role and all present.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Mougolias, seconded by Trustee Dobrzycki 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, November 12, 2009 at 8:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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