

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

None

E. REPORTS OF MAYOR, TRUSTEES, CLERK AND ATTORNEY

Mayor's Report

Mayor Jezierny

Mr. Houseal, our Planning Consultant, will be conducting a community building workshop on September 16th. The workshop will be an engaging, creative and interactive experience designed to review, discuss, and identify conditions and potentials within the Village. The results and feedback from the workshop will be used in conjunction with other steps from the planning process to serve as the foundation for the preparation of comprehensive plan recommendations. We really invite all of you to be there. There will be little groups of tables designed as a workshop forum. You will be able to discuss things within your group. Please mark September 16th at 6:00pm on your calendar.

The 2009 Audit has been completed and we are expecting the bound final printed copies within the next week. We are in the process of our 2010 audit right now. Trustee Szlendak will also give you some other financial data.

Aldi's has submitted their building plans. We have been going up and back making sure they are tweaked. They hope to open by Thanksgiving. They will be located right next to Burlington Coat Factory.

Forestry & Green Initiatives

Trustee Dobrzycki

No report

Recreation

Trustee Gadzinski

The HHYC will have registration on September 11th for the fall programs. The HHYC is seeking coaches for the 2010-2011 soccer and volleyball programs beginning September 18 and 28th. Volunteers are also needed for soccer, gymnastics, volleyball and basketball programs. If anyone is interested please contact the Village Hall or you can get an application on our website. The SAC is looking for volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels throughout Norridge, Harwood Heights, and Norwood Park Township. It only takes about 2 hours to complete. On Sunday, August 29, at 8am, doors open at St Rosalie's for a pancake breakfast.

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**Public Works
Water & Sewer
Trustee Steiner**

Public Works is hot patching on the East side of the Village. The joint project between Norridge and Harwood Heights on Sayre Avenue has begun. Drive with caution in that area. Please remove standing water from our properties to help remove mosquitoes.

**Public Health & Safety/Building
Trustee Mougolias**

Asked for the Boards approval on Agenda item I 11. This is free to the Village and is funded by the electronic companies. This will allow residents to drop off electronics at the Village Hall and they will be disposed of properly. Has been working with Attorney Mark Heinle on a traffic and parking control agreement on private parking lots. The Chief has also been working with the Attorney and it will be on the agenda for discussion at the next COW meeting with the Ordinance being put on the next agenda. Thanked Roy Schmidt for applying for the Emergency Management Team. Met with Morton Groves Emergency Management Team. They are very well equipped and they do a number of jobs in Morton Grove. Working to start with our biggest problem which is flooding. Been speaking with a number of residents, Trustees and the Mayor, we get a lot of people informing us about different situations within the Village; going to be looking into getting an anonymous calling line for residents to feel free to report something without worrying about being identified.

Mayor Jezierny stated that we do have the suggestion box in the lobby that people can use anonymously until the line is set up.

**Ordinance/License
Trustee Schuepfer**

No report

**Finance
Information & Technology
Trustee Szlendak**

Held a Finance meeting last week. Our accountant told us that we spent \$85,000.00 more than came in for revenue for the 1st quarter. On the 2009 audit, at the end of the year, we had approximately \$940,000.00 in our General Fund. Our preliminary number shows that last year we spent \$1,000,000.00 more than what came in. Asked for the accurate General Fund numbers as of April 2010? Will report on this at the next board meeting.

Clerk's Report

No Report

Attorney's Report

No Report

Chief Ricchio

Conducted a Roadside Safety check last week and it was very successful. During the 6 hours the Harwood Heights Police Department stopped over 400 cars, made 8 arrests and impounded 8 vehicles. There were no DUI arrests made. Wanted to remind the Board that even though we made an outlay of overtime expenses for this, it's all being reimbursed from a grant that Lt. Biaggi obtained.

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F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Dobrzycki

Was at the WTTW family fun and walk. Sauk Village will not have funds to make their payroll by the end of the month. We are not the only Village that is having financial troubles and we probably will be hearing about other municipalities that have similar situations. The economy is taking a toll on individuals as they claim bankruptcy and foreclosures. If you are having these difficulties, seek help as soon as possible. Do not wait. Received two phone calls from residents regarding the garbage fees.

Trustee Szlendak

Wanted to state that the \$1,000,000.00 is an estimate from our accountant and is asking for him to make sure so we have accurate numbers. Many of our residents are having financial problems and are in foreclosure. As a result when the bank takes over, they do not clean up the property. The anonymous tip line will help for neighbors to bring this to the attention of our police officers. Hopes this line will be available soon and our residents take full use of it.

G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Steiner on H 1:

1. To concur with the Mayor's appointment of Roy Schmidt to the Emergency Disaster Team for the term 8-26-10 to 4-30-11.

A roll call vote on item H 1 resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Motion Carried

Motion by Trustee Gadzinski, seconded by Trustee Dobrzycki on Item H 2:

2. To concur with the Mayor's recommendation to hire Joanne DeGrazia as a part-time Crossing Guard at the salary of \$20.00 an hour for the Union Ridge school year pending background check.

A roll call vote on item H 2 resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Motion Carried

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Gadzinski on Consent Agenda Items I 1 – 13:

1. To approve the regular minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held August 12, 2010.
2. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$60.00**, payable to the Municipal Clerks of Illinois for annual dues for the Village Clerk & Deputy Clerk from October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011 expensed to FY 10/11 line item 11-01-00-7027 – General Administration.

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3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$958.25, payable to North Central Council of Mayors for annual dues from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 expensed to FY 10/11 line item 11-01-00-7027 – General Administration.
4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,125.00, payable to Innovative Software Services, Inc. for the one year service and support contract October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011 for the Water Billing System expensed to FY 10/11 line item 22-00-00-7054 – Water & Sewer Fund.
5. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$38,334.75, payable to Houseal Lavigne Associates for Professional Services on August 1, 2010 invoice relating to the FAA Grant for the Land Use Compatibility Plan expensed to FY 10/11 line item 13-15-00-7130 – FAA Grant Expenditures. (80% to be reimbursed back to the village).
6. Request approval to transfer \$4,000.00 of contingency budget to line item 11-02-00-7055 Liability Claims in order to cover the TNK9 Settlement costs.
7. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$4,000.00, payable to Moran Law Group Trust Account, tax identification # 116-34-5720 for the settlement of the TNK9 lawsuit identified in the executed Release and Indemnity Agreement to be expensed to FY 10/11 line item 11-02-00-7055 – Liability Claims.
8. Request approval to transfer \$18,900.00 of contingency budget to line item 11-05-00-9002 in order to cover the costs for new weight scale.
9. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$18,900.00, payable to GSC Grant Scale Company for the replacement of the Steel Top Truck Scale expensed to FY 10/11 line item 11-05-00-9002 – Other Equipment.
10. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$49,938.00, payable to the IML Risk Management Association for the 2010/2011 Minimum/Maximum Additional Billing expensed to FY 10/11 line item 11-01-00-8000, \$9,329.00 – General Administration; line item 11-05-00-8000, \$36,823.00 – Police; line item 11-06-00-8000, \$3,786.00 – Public Works.
11. Motion to enter into an agreement with Vintage Tech Recyclers, Inc. for an electronics recycling program at no charge to the village.
12. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$176,913.59 as they appear on check register #48367 thru #48419.
13. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$129,979.72 to Parkway Bank Payroll Account.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 1 - 13 resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. OLD BUSINESS

None

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L. CORRESPONDENCE

None

Mayor Jezierny stated that a member of the Historical Committee will be at the 2nd board meeting every month and is willing to open the Historical room for anyone who wishes to see it.

M. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Dobrzycki

Spoke with Michael Edelburg who is the clinic coordinator for the Chicago Volunteer Legal Services. They currently have 60,000 foreclosures and there is a waiting list for others to take advantage of their services.

Even though the village doesn't have an anonymous tip line, you can always call the Harwood Heights Police Department and ask that your information be left anonymous.

Trustee Gadzinski

The Norridge Harwood Heights Rotary Club is having a "Nights at the Races" on Friday, September 10, 2010. \$35.00 per person includes an all you can eat buffet. This will be at the Maywood Park Race Track.

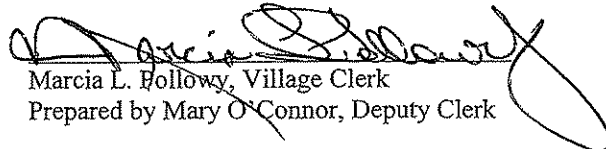
N. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Dobrzycki, seconded by Trustee Szlendak to adjourn. On a voice vote, all being in favor, the motion carried and the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Harwood Heights was adjourned by Mayor Arlene C. Jezierny, on Thursday, August 26, 2010 at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,


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