

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY—JANUARY 12, 2021
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM
and audio conferencing

CALL TO ORDER: Village President Hofeld called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7 p.m. The meeting was conducted via Zoom by President Hofeld from the Boardroom.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Hofeld dispensed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Clerk Marilyn Thomas called the roll. Those present were Village President Richard Hofeld at Village Hall, with Trustee Barbara Dawkins, Trustee Lisa Purcell, Trustee Lauren Roman, Trustee Jay Heiferman, Trustee Larry Burnson, and Clerk Thomas via audio conference. Trustee Karen Washington was absent.

President Hofeld introduced staff: Village Manager Jim Marino, Village Attorney Chris Cummings in the board room; Director of Economic Development Angela Mesaros, and Director of Public Works John Schaefer joined via Zoom. Assistant Village Manager Napoleon Haney was managing the Zoom feed from the Manager's Office.

NOTE: Due to the Governor's emergency order and because of the COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing recommendations, and the Village President finding that, pursuant to Public Act 101-0640, an in-person meeting is not prudent, elected officials are permitted to participate via video/audio. The public was invited to listen into the meeting live via audio. The public was invited to submit comments by email before the meeting. All elected officials were able to hear one another and all discussion.

MINUTES: The minutes of the General Board Meeting of December 8, 2020, were reviewed. There were no comments or corrections.

A motion was made by Trustee Burnson and seconded by Trustee Purcell to accept the minutes as presented.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Roman, Heiferman and Burnson. NAYS -None. Motion carried.

CLAIMS LIST: The Claims List in the amount of \$1,124,706.58 was reviewed. There were no questions from the Trustees.

A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Roman to approve the Claims List as presented.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Roman, Heiferman and Burnson. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

President Hofeld said two items on the list totaled 80 percent of the Claims List: \$230,138.27 for Village employees insurance for January and \$663,798 for Illinois Risk Management Association (IRMA) insurance payment for 2021.

HEAR FROM THE AUDIENCE: No one was present at Village Hall to speak directly on an issue, and no comments were received by email or at Village Hall.

OMNIBUS AGENDA: Clerk Thomas presented the Omnibus Agenda:

A. AGREEMENT/RENEW CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT/LOBBYING SERVICES: Renew a consulting services agreement with Alfred G. Ronan Ltd. Of Oak Park, IL to provide legislative lobbying services to the Village of Homewood.

B. RESOLUTION R-3067/CLASS 8 PROPERTY TAX DESIGNATION RENEWAL/17510 HALSTED STREET: Pass a resolution supporting the renewal of Class 8 status pursuant to the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance for real estate located at 17510 Halsted Street.

C. RESOLUTION R-3068/SUPPORTING CLASS 8 PROPERTY TAX DESIGNATION/17620 S. HALSTED STREET: Pass a resolution supporting a Class 8 status pursuant to the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance for real estate located at 17620 S. Halsted Street, Homewood, Cook County Illinois, owned by Ji Yi Qiu/Homewood Property Management LLC.

D. RESOLUTION R-3069/PURCHASE/BULK ROCK SALT: Pass a resolution authoring the expenditure of \$100,000 in Motor Fuel Tax funds to be used for the purchase of bulk rock salt for the purpose of maintaining streets and highways under the applicable provisions of the Illinois Highway Code.

E. BUDGET AMENDMENT/LEGAL SERVICES: Approve a budget amendment of \$50,000 to line item 01-1-122-53-100 Contracting & Consulting Service, increasing the amended FY2020-2021 budget from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

F. BID AWARD/PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT: Award a bid to Alta Equipment Company of Orland Park, IL for the purchase of one CONEQTEC Universal HS-57 Saw Series II- Manhole Repair and Removal Tool for a total purchase and delivery amount of \$24,760.

A motion was made by Trustee Burnson and seconded by Trustee Purcell to approve the Omnibus Agenda as presented.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Roman, Heiferman and Burnson. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION: Trustee Heiferman commented that the Village got a good price on the new CONEQTEC saw.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Roman to move to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Dawkins, Purcell, Roman, Heiferman and Burnson. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

The Board moved to Executive Session at 7:10 p.m.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:36 p.m.

A motion was made by Trustee Roman and seconded by Trustee Purcell to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The meeting adjourned on voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Thomas
Village Clerk