

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY AUGUST 23, 2022
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: President Hofeld called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Hofeld led trustees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Clerk Marilyn Thomas called the roll. Those present were Village President Richard Hofeld, Trustee Lisa Purcell, Trustee Cece Belue, Trustee Vivian Harris-Jones, Trustee Jay Heiferman and Trustee Lauren Roman.

President Hofeld introduced staff present: Village Manager Napoleon Haney, Attorney Christopher Cummings, Finance Director Dennis Bubenik and Police Chief Denise McGrath.

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of August 9, 2022, were presented. There were no comments or corrections.

A motion was made by Trustee Roman and seconded by Trustee Belue to approve the minutes as presented.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Purcell, Belue, Harris-Jones, Heiferman and Roman, and President Hofeld. NAYS -None. Motion carried.

CLAIMS LIST: The Claims List in the amount of \$668,300.44 was presented. 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 Purcell, Belue, Harris-Jones, Heiferman, Roman and President Hofeld. NAYS -None. Motion carried.

President Hofeld said two items totaled 80 percent of the Claims List: \$363,375.45 to the City of Harvey for Lake Michigan water, and \$171,495.42 to K-Five Construction Corp. for street repairs.

HEAR FROM THE AUDIENCE: President Hofeld invited anyone in the audience to discuss any item not on the agenda. No one came forward to offer comment.

HONORING TRUSTEE KAREN WASHINGTON: A motion was made by Trustee Roman and seconded by Trustee Harris-Jones to approve Resolution R-3120 honoring outgoing Village Trustee Karen Washington.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Purcell, Belue, Harris-Jones, Heiferman, and Roman. NAYS -None. Motion carried.

Clerk Thomas read the resolution honoring Trustee Washington who resigned Aug. 12 after having served the Village for 10 years, first as Village Clerk and then as a Village Trustee. She received a round of applause.

APPOINTMENTS: A motion was made by Trustee Purcell and seconded by Trustee Belue to approve President Hofeld's appointment of Julie Willis to the Village Board to replace Trustee Washington.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Purcell, Belue, Harris-Jones, Heiferman, and Roman. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

Newly appointed Trustee Willis was sworn into office by her husband, Cook County Circuit Court Judge Arthur Willis. She took her seat on the dais.

Clerk Thomas administered the oath of office to Kyle Adams, a firefighter/paramedic. He started as a part-time firefighter/paramedic for the Village, but later accepted a full-time position in Bourbonnais. He returned to Homewood in August 2022 when a full-time position opened with the Homewood Fire Department.

Clerk Thomas administered the oath of office to Athony Billo, full-time building inspector. He is a certified building inspector who has worked in various capacities for South Suburban villages, including Homewood, before accepting this position.

Omnibus Vote: The board was asked to consider a motion to pass, approve, authorize, accept, or award the following items:

- A. Budget Amendment/Lease Award/Bid Award/Outdoor Warning Sirens: Approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$7,271 to the 2022-23 Fire Department Sirens lease line item; and, award a lease to American Capital, which has the lowest interest rate for the emergency warning sirens; and, award a bid to Federal Signal Corporation of University Park, IL for the replacement of three outdoor warning sirens in an amount not to exceed \$83,055.38 over five years; with the first year of a five-year lease cost of \$18,070.82.
- B. M-2227/Sale of Surplus Property/Fire Department: Pass an ordinance authorizing the sale of 28 SCBA packs, 3 RIT packs, and 40 SCBA masks to the University of Illinois Fire Service Institute for the price of \$1.
- C. MC-1064/Zoning Ordinance/Revision of Districts and Purposes: Pass an ordinance amending Chapter 44 of the Homewood Municipal Code clarifying the purposes of business districts within the Village and amending tables of permitted and special uses within residential and business districts.

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

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Purcell, Belue, Willis, Harris-Jones, Heiferman, and Roman. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION: Trustee Heiferman thanked the Beautification Committee for its dedicated work at beautifying the community every spring and summer.

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

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Purcell, Belue, Willis, Harris-Jones, Heiferman, and Roman. NAYS – None. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Thomas
Village Clerk