

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
January 12, 2016**

Mayor Robert E. Polk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson, Travis Claybrooks, Mayor Robert E. Polk, Village Attorney Stanley Pagorek and Village Clerk Lus Chavez

ABSENT: None

Motion made by Trustee Paris Ellison and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2015

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer and Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion made by Trustee John Cap Jr., and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting December 15, 2015

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer and Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

***\*Citizens Speak\****

***Visitors are always welcome to all public meetings of the President and Board of Trustee of the Village of Burnham. Interested parties wishing to speak should identify their intent to speak, they then may give their name and then make their comment. Person may also provide their address privately to the Village Clerk, if they so choose, person are advised that addresses are considered private information under the freedom of Information Act and thus are exempt from disclosure pursuant to any Freedom of Information request. However, in order to give proper consideration to all items on the agenda, the President has the authority to limit participants in debates and ill close repetitive or abusive remarks.***

***Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes***

***Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend a meeting and who require certain reasonable accommodations to allow them to observe and/or participate in the meeting are asked to contact the village Clerk's office at least one week prior to the meeting, when possible. To make these arrangements, call 708-862-9150***

Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to open the meeting to the public at 7:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer and Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and seconded by Trustee Graciela Garcia to close the meeting to the public at 7:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer and Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor welcomed everyone back to a new year 2016.

Mayor acknowledged Trustee Carmella Richardson's birthday this month. Mayor reminded every staff member to complete the beneficiary form and return to the office. Also a new snow plan regarding driveways is being considered. Mayor has received concerns regarding kids breaking televisions that are set out in the alley, just a reminder that Homewood Disposal does not pick up any type of electronic devices.

Mayor mentioned that January 13<sup>th</sup> would be the one (1) year anniversary of the passing of our Village Attorney Richard Matuga.

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

Clerk mentioned that on January 18<sup>th</sup> the office would be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday.

**PUBLIC EDUCATION, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE:**

1. Motion made by Trustee Brenda Greer and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to approve the promotion of Lieutenant Steven Powers to the rank of Captain of the Burnham Volunteer Fire Department

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer and Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Trustee Brenda Greer had the following reports:

- Burnham Fire & Medical Report
  - Fire Calls – 12 calls- 7 night and 5 day
  - Ambulance Calls – 35 calls- 18 night and 17 day
- A Martin Luther King Jr., Day Celebration to be held on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at South Suburban College
- Thornton Township Senior Services have many events thru out the year.
- Thornton Township Services:
  - Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

- o Food Assistance Center

**PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS: None**

1. Motion made by Trustee Paris Ellison and second by Trustee John Cap Jr., to table the proposal bids for asbestos material testing at the following locations: 2945 E. 138<sup>th</sup> Place, 3001 E. 138<sup>th</sup> Place and 14146 Mackinaw from the following companies: Green Environmental Tech, Environmental Consulting Group, Inc and Professional Service Industries, Inc to the next meeting.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer and Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION AND PLANNING:**

1. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr., to withdraw consideration of, and taking action on RESOLUTION 2016-R-001 FUNDING RESOLUTION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE TORRENCE AVENUE BRIDGE AND STREET OVER GRAND CALUMET RIVER WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, THORNTON TOWNSHIP, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS 60633-0000

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer and Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

**FINANCE: None**

**PUBLIC UTILITIES:**

Trustee Carmella Richardson wanted to wish everyone a Happy New Year and to be safe and also mentioned that Com Ed has been replacing the electric meters with new Smart Meters in our Village. And that Com Ed will be hosting a seminar on the new Smart Meters on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**PARKS AND RECREATION:**

Trustee Travis Claybrooks mentioned that Calumet Memorial Park is working alongside Walgreens with Flu Shots on January 14<sup>th</sup> and January 19<sup>th</sup> at Sandridge Fitness Center

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS: None**

**COMMUNICATIONS, MEMORIALS,  
AND REMONSTRANCES: None**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Graciela Garcia to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

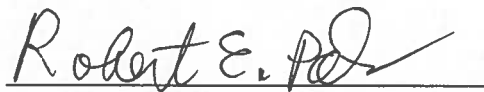
**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer and Carmella Richardson

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Travis Claybrooks

  
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Village Clerk

  
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Mayor