# MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES July 14, 2015

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: Trustee Graciela Garcia

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Paris Ellison to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2015

#### ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson,

Travis Claybrooks NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Graciela Garcia

Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to open the meeting to the public at 7:03 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson,

Travis Claybrooks NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Graciela Garcia

• Jackie Cosby had a complaint about her neighbor's tree that covers her walkway and berries from this tree cause to have ants inside her home. She had someone to trim the branches from this tree but it wasn't enough to take care of this issue. The tree is located at 14118 Bensley Avenue.

Trustee Ellison will address this concern

- A resident had a complaint regarding tall weeds in the alley, on the side of the alley on the
  west side of the alley at 14120 Bensley Avenue.
   Trustee Ellison will address this concern
- Josephine Ross had hail damage from the storm on Monday and wanted to know what areas of Burnham were affected by this storm because it caused at least \$2,000.00 of damage to her car.
- Pearl Sanford is concerned about the kids playing basketball in the middle of the street. Mayor Polk said he would address this concern with our Village Attorney to locate an area where we can have the children play instead of the street.

Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to close the meeting to the public at 7:09 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson,

Travis Claybrooks NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Graciela Garcia

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor mentioned we are planning for the Back to School Event. He also mentioned that he will be contacting our Code Enforcer to address some concerns in the Village.

#### **CLERK'S REPORT:**

The Clerk mentioned that the garbage bills have started to be mailed out for this quarter

## PUBLIC EDUCATION, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE:

1. Motion made by Trustee Brenda Greer and Trustee John Cap Jr. to approve the appointment of Bernard Pudowski and Louis Masucci as a part time police officer contingent upon the successful completion of the polygraph examination, the psychological examination, the drug test and the background investigation.

### ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson,

Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Graciela Garcia

2. Motion made by Trustee Brenda Greer and Trustee Carmella Richardson to approve the hire of Christopher Cooper as the attorney for The Police and Fire Commission Board of The Village of Burnham a particular hearing we will have coming up.

#### ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson,

Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Graciela Garcia

Trustee Brenda Greer mentioned that any resident over the age of 60 year's old required transportation they could contact Frank Zuccarelli's office to make an appointment.

## **PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS:**

Trustee Paris Ellison mentioned that Public Works will be removing more trees this fall that have been affected by the ash trees.

### ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION AND PLANNING:

None

#### **FINANCE:**

1. Motion made by John Cap Jr. and Trustee Travis Claybrooks to adopt on authorizing the payment of last month's bills as funds become available.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson,

Travis Claybrooks NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Graciela Garcia

#### **PUBLIC UTILITIES:**

Trustee Carmella Richardson mentioned that Com Ed has a program that provides assistance with a hardship called CARE.

#### PARKS AND RECREATION:

Trustee Travis Claybrooks mentioned the 2 in 1 Event, Back to School Event and Community Day to be held on Saturday, August 15, 2015 noon to 5:00 p.m. also that DowneyPark is having a grand opening from 4-6 p.m. Also the foundation for the Gazebo has started at Lawhead Park across from the Village Hall. Also Township Day is on July 31, 2015 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Blackburn Park.

### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS:

Presentation to Stanley Koszk for 38 years and dedication as a Village of Burnham Police Officer

# COMMUNICATIONS, MEMORIALS, AND REMONSTRANCES

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and Trustee Paris Ellison to go into closed session at 7:27 p.m. per 5ILCS 120/2© (21); Discussion of minutes lawfully closed, whether for purposes of approval of the minutes or the semi-annual review of the minutes.

## **ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson,

Travis Claybrooks NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Graciela Garcia

2. Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and Trustee Paris Ellison to reconvey at 8:51 p.m. per 5ILCS 120/2© (21); Discussion of minutes lawfully closed, whether for purposes of approval of the minutes or the semi-annual review of the minutes.

#### ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson,

Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Graciela Garcia

## ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and seconded by Trustee Paris Ellison to close the meeting to the public at8:53 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** 

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Paris Ellison, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson,

Travis Claybrooks NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Graciela Garcia

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