

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

July 9, 2019

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

PRESENT: Trustees John Cap Jr., Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson, Travis Claybrooks, Mayor Robert E. Polk, Village Attorney Stanley Pagorek and Village Clerk Chavez  
ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

Motion made by Trustee John Cap Jr. seconded by Trustee Carmela Richardson to approve the corrections of the minutes of June 26, 2019

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Trustee Graciela Garcia

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Graciela Garcia to open the meeting to the public.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

- Andrew Johnson had the following comment:
  - Thanked Trustee Claybrooks and anyone else involved in the replacement of “Lawhead Park” sign at the park
- Ed Brach had the following comment:
  - To Trustee Cap status on the Audit
    - Trustee Cap Jr. addressed about the audit:
      - State mandated we use accrual base accounting method in 2017, we use to be modified cash- also we are not in financial difficulty
- John Hajduch had the following comments:
  - Village debt
  - Comments made from previous meetings

\*Mayor Polk stated that the Village of Burnham is not in debt 6 million dollars

- Pat Olsen had the following comments:
  - The status on the loan for the meter replacement

\*Mayor Polk stated that he would have an update

- Gerald Hunter had different comments:
  - Lead pipes
  - Staff
  - Summer session

- Larry McPherson had the following comment:
  - In need for maintenance at Cottage Park
- \*Mayor Polk stated that it would be taken care of
  
- Annette Liggett had the following comments:
  - The Board is accessible
  - Issues or topics from residents can be addressed better
  - When addressing the Board one needs not be disrespectful and rude
  
- Brandy McPherson had the following comment:
  - When Board is addressing the residents they should also be respectful and not rude
  - Suggested that the Board take a course in “Crucial Conversation”
  
- Edil Salvador had the following comments:
  - We all need to be respectful
  - Sidewalk in front of her home is cracked and it’s a safety concern
  - Pan handlers that live in the trailer park and often ask for money
- \*Jerry Hunter was taken out of the meeting for being disruptive
  - Parked vehicles on the street that have no Village stickers
- \*Mayor Polk stated the Police Department is in the process of issuing warnings
  - List of who has sued the Village of Burnham
  
- Josephine Ross had the following comment:
  - Village of Burnham’s beautification and the tree trimming done every year
- Pat Olsen had a comment on the cost of the tree trimming

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Brenda Greer to close the meeting to the public

**ROLL CALL:**

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

**MAYOR’S REPORT:**

Mayor Polk had the following to report:

- Invested Cook County project on State Street has started Phase I- repairs will probably begin next year
- Cook County Animal and Rabies Control provided services- 170 participants
- Village of Burnham always tries to provide different services that benefit the residents

**CLERK’S REPORT:**

- Reminder Village vehicle stickers are still on sale

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

Trustee Brenda Greer reported the following:

- June 2019 Report:
  - Fire Calls- 8 6 day 2 night
  - Ambulance Calls- 31 17 day 14 night
- Line Dancing to continue on August 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 to 11 p.m.
- Garage Sale will take place 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays in July: July 13<sup>th</sup> and July 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Set up 7 a.m.
  - Must bring your own table and set up
  - Cost is \$10.00 a spot

## **PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS:**

Trustee Travis Claybrooks mentioned the following:

- Public Works continue cutting vacant lots
- Mayor tried and tested a different method to resolve the holes in the alleys in three areas. This seems to be working

## **ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION AND PLANNING:**

1. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to approve on the ORDINANCE NO. 2019-O-005, AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2019 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2020 FOR THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

### **ROLL CALL:**

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

2. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to approve on the ORDINANCE NO. 2019-O-006 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS, APPOINTED OFFICIALS, LOCAL LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSIONER, MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

### **ROLL CALL:**

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner



3. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to approve on the payment to Huff & Huff, Inc. for \$5,889.84 for accomplishing a wetland survey and preparation of a wetland delineation report with regard to determining the preferred corridor of the Burnham Greenway within the Village limits of Burnham. The Village of Burnham had entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the IDNR in September of 2018 under which the IDNR agreed to reimburse the Village of the Burnham in an amount not to exceed \$6,250.00.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

Trustee Graciela Garcia announced another hiring event:

Manufacturing Hiring Event on Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at Village of Burnham Community Center- 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**FINANCE:**

1. Motion made by Trustee John Cap Jr. and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to adopt on authorizing the payment of the Village's monthly bills and outstanding unpaid bills after approval by the Finance Committee when funds are available until the Tuesday, September 24, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

**PUBLIC UTILITIES:**

1. Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and seconded by Trustee Brenda Greer to adopt the WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS AND VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, ILLINOIS.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

**PARKS AND RECREATION: None**

Mayor Polk stated the following:

- o Cottage Park being assessed
- o New swing set to come at Tot Lot Park- 139<sup>th</sup> Hoxie
- o Blackburn Park a board with many nails needed to be removed

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS: None**

**COMMUNICATIONS: None**

**MEMORIALS:** Resident John Mularski passed away

**REMONSTRANCES: None**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion made by Trustee Brenda Greer and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to adopt on the suspension of the Regular Meetings of the Board of Trustees until Tuesday, September 24, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to adjourn.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Denise Bonner

  
Village Clerk

  
Mayor