

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

Held at  
14020 Torrence Avenue  
Burnham, IL 60633  
May 11, 2021

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

ROLL CALL: Trustees John Cap Jr., Christopher Hodges, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson, Travis Claybrooks, Mayor Robert E. Polk, Village Clerk Lus Chavez and Attorney Stanley Pagorek (over the phone)

ABSENT: None

Motion made by Trustee John Cap Jr. seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to approve the minutes of April 27, 2021

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and seconded by Trustee Brenda Greer to open the meeting to the public.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Melissa Garcia had following comment:

- Thanked Trustee Cap for the cleaning up on Burnham Avenue over pass bridge

Rochester Walker had the following concern:

- Trains are very loud near Goodrich
- Side street flooding

Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to close the meeting to the public.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

## **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- Monthly mailing placed in Utility billing-encouraging residents to edge their sidewalks
- Village of Burnham is looking to hire an individual to do landscaping
- IDOT will be starting to work soon – 138<sup>th</sup> Torrence and proceed almost to Sibley Avenue

## **CLERK'S REPORT:**

- Will be selling the vehicle stickers in June- flyers shall be distributed

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

Trustee Brenda Greer mentioned the following to mention:

- Covid-19 vaccinations for the age 16 + are eligible now
- CDC recommends to continue wearing a mask even after being vaccinated
- ZAP senior lawn care provided by Thornton Township- provides low cost basic lawn maintenance for Seniors in a single family home.
- Thornton Township is currently hiring high school and college students for the lawn maintenance- apply at [www.thorntontownship.com/zap-jobs](http://www.thorntontownship.com/zap-jobs)
- Keep our community safe- If you see something “say something”-non-emergency 708-891-2122 or call 911
- We need the community to work together-Keep our Community beautiful – no littering
- Reminder to stop at the Stop signs and control your speed- safety is #1
- Tentative date is under consideration for our Arts & Craft/ Garage Sale in August- more information will be forth coming
- Illinois law requires that pharmacist talk to you about any new or old changed prescriptions- if they fail to do so you can contact Dept. of Financial & Professional Regulations Division-Complaint Intake Unit- 312-814-6910
- Burnham will be hosting a vaccination on May 22nd at the Community Center

## **PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS:**

1. Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to approve the hiring of David Wilson as a full-time employee in the Public Works Department. At a starting rate of \$20.68 an hour.

## **ROLL CALL:**

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Trustee Travis Claybrooks mentioned the following:

- ComEd to begin Tree trimming soon-1-800-334-7661 for trees in power lines-ComEd/trees

**ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION AND PLANNING:**

1. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to approve the new business proposal for State Mini Mart & More Inc located at 2210-12 E State Street, Burnham. The business goals/mission are to have a convenient store to provide high quality, high standards, affordable prices and better service to the targeted market. To sell a full range of food products, household products and tobacco products. Previous business was Steve Mini Mart.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

2. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee Christopher Hodges to approve on the Ordinance No. 2021-O-002 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 86-TAXATION ARTICLE VI- MOTOR VEHICLE WHEEL TAX, DIVISION 2-LICENSE; SECTION 86-216. EXEMPTIONS FOR SENIORS AND VETERANS; OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, COOK COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**FINANCE:**

Trustee John Cap Jr mentioned that

- the replacement roof at the Village Hall/ Police has been completed
- garden at Community Center has been fenced

**PUBLIC UTILITIES:**

Trustee Carmella Richardson had the following:

- Water flushing being done at 141<sup>st</sup> – 143<sup>rd</sup> Greenbay Avenue and Mackinaw Avenue

**PARKS AND RECREATION:**

Trustee Christopher Hodges mentioned the following:

- Concern about a tree leaning towards a playground equipment at Burnham Park. Police have taped off with yellow tape
- Working together and keep Burnham clean
- Thanked everyone for welcoming him
- Excited to work with everyone

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS: None**

**COMMUNICATIONS, MEMORIALS,**

**AND REMONSTRANCES:** Barry Turner passed away – he was from 144<sup>th</sup> Hoxie Avenue

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Presentation by Scott Donkel from Little Brown Jug- an expansion

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

**ROLL CALL:**

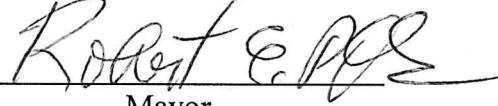
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**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

  
Village Clerk

  
Mayor