

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

Held at  
14450 S. Manistee Avenue  
Burnham, IL 60633  
February 27, 2024

Mayor Robert E. Polk called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

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

Motion made by Trustee Jefferey Hodges and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to approve the regular minutes of February 13, 2024.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees Jefferey Hodges, Travis Claybrooks, Carmella Richardson and Mayor Robert Polk  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: Trustees John Cap Jr., Graciela Garcia and Brenda Greer

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to open the meeting to the public.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees Jefferey Hodges, Travis Claybrooks, Carmella Richardson and Mayor Robert Polk  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: Trustees John Cap Jr., Graciela Garcia and Brenda Greer

- Maria Rosales had the following to address:
    - If the investigation of Tiffany Henyard by FBI would affect the Village of Burnham
- \*Mayor Polk responded that it would not.

Motion made by Trustee Carmella Richardson and seconded by Trustee Jefferey Hodges to close the meeting to the public.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees Jefferey Hodges, Travis Claybrooks, Carmella Richardson and Mayor Robert Polk  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: Trustees John Cap Jr., Graciela Garcia and Brenda Greer

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Polk mentioned the following:

- Flood on September 11, 2023- Act of God- FEMA had a site in Burnham-228 people filed-208 were granted assistance-\$585,539 funds were issued to Burnham residents that filed for assistance.
- 22% of Burnham property owners have not been paying their property taxes

- Mayor introduced the team that will be conducting a Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL) study for the Interchange at Dolton Road and Interstate 94.

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

Clerk Chavez mentioned the following:

- Manufacturing Trade Skills program begins April 1, 2024, last day to register is March 25<sup>th</sup> the email is- calumetareaindustrial.com
- Southland Magazine is available

**PUBLIC EDUCATION, HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE:** None

**PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS:**

Trustee Travis Claybrooks mentioned the following:

- Public Works has been picking up trash
- Public Works did cold patching on 141<sup>st</sup> and 142<sup>nd</sup> in the east side
- Trustee Claybrooks circulated a Pothole Fact Sheet
- National Public Works Week is May 19, 2024 to May 25, 2024

**ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION, AND PLANNING:**

1. Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to approve ORDINANCE 2024-O-001 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING DIVISION 2, COLLECTION BY VILLAGE OF ARTICLE II, COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL AND ARTICLE III, LANDSCAPE WASTE OF CHAPTER 78 SOLID WASTE SECTION 78-63 FEES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, ILLINOIS

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Trustees Jefferey Hodges, Travis Claybrooks, Carmella Richardson and Mayor Robert Polk

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustees John Cap Jr., Graciela Garcia and Brenda Greer

**FINANCE:** None

**PUBLIC UTILITIES:**

Trustee Carmella Richardson mentioned the following:

- ComEd billing accounts will be changing

**PARKS AND RECREATION:**

Trustee Jefferey Hodges mentioned the following:

- Thanked everyone for attending Forest Preserve 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting that was held on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at Community Center at 6 p.m
- CMPD Easter Hunt March 30<sup>th</sup>-12 pm at Burnham Park
- Veterans Fundraiser for a Burnham Memorial-\$100.00 brick engraved-AMVETS #43 working in partnership with the Village of Burnham

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS:** None

**COMMUNICATIONS, MEMORIALS,**

**AND REMONSTRANCES:** Moment of silence for Ignacio Terrazas, Trustee Garcia's father

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Jefferey Hodges to adjourn.

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Trustees Jefferey Hodges, Travis Claybrooks, Carmella Richardson and Mayor Robert Polk

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustees John Cap Jr., Graciela Garcia and Brenda Greer

  
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Mayor

  
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Village Clerk