

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

Held at
14450 S. Manistee Avenue
Burnham, IL 60633
June 11, 2024

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

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

ABSENT: None

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to approve the regular minutes of May 14, 2024, and May 28, 2024

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion made by Trustee Jefferey Hodges and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to open the meeting to the public.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Ms. Cosby commented on the following:

- What can be done about raccoons in our yards

*Trustee Travis Claybrooks stated that you can purchase products at the store.

Mr. Brown commented on the following:

- When will State Street from Alice to Yates be repaired

*Trustee John Cap Jr. stated that he has called Calumet City concerning the pot holes on State Street.

*Mayor Polk mentioned that is a Calumet City projected and is currently not on the Agenda

- The parking issue at the restaurant on the marina

*Mayor Polk mentioned that they have had a meeting with the establishment

*Village Attorney Stanley Pagorek wished all the Father's Happy Father's Day

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

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Polk mentioned the following:

- Have done some tree trimming in our Village
- Continued sewer work forthcoming
- Congratulations to the graduates of Burnham School students
- Some sidewalk repairs will be done this year
- As he has mentioned before the Village of Burnham is holding its own, and doing well-unequivocally
- We have people who come to the meeting and ask the same questions over and over-he will probably not answer those questions anymore during the meeting, you can call the office or ask for the Mayor directly or any of the Trustees
- We are doing our best with the resources that we have
- Many people do not know how much occurs in our Village, for example, a month ago an individual took out a fire hydrant, and the cost to replace is 40k

CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Chavez mentioned the following:

- Vehicle Stickers will continue to be on sale
- For June, on Thursdays only the office window will be open from 9 am to 7 pm
- Office hours Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday are from 9 am to 5 pm
- You can come in person to purchase your sticker or email the information and have the sticker mailed. Email:vehiclestickers@burnham-il.gov
- Seniors 62 years and older and Veterans-1st sticker No Charge-2nd sticker \$15.00-3rd sticker charge of type of vehicle-Current Registration and ID required
- Vehicle stickers are \$45.00
- Trucks "B" plates are \$65.00
- Must bring current registration
- The deadline to display the sticker is July 1st

PUBLIC EDUCATION, HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE:

Trustee Greer, please mention the following:

- The Police Department is looking into purchasing body cameras for the department
- *Mayor Polk stated that they are mandated by law to have by 1/1/25.
- Burnham Fire & Medical Report
 - Fire Calls 14 9 day calls 5 night calls
 - Ambulance Calls 63 37 day calls 26 night calls
 - Congratulations to all of the Burnham School graduates for the year 2024, which includes the Pre-K-Elementary-High School and College, etc
 - Cicades are still in the Illinois area, they are annoying, and they make their appearance every 17 years, they are a valuable food source for birds

- The Village of Burnham and members of AMVETS Post #43 have joined together to create a Memorial dedicated to Veterans to offset the cost of our brick fundraiser that will help construct and maintain this Memorial for years to come
- National Night Out is Tuesday, August 6th
- Looking for volunteers to teach our young people the joy and Art of dance. If anyone is interested, please get in touch with the office and leave your name and phone number to be reached.
- Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, July 20th at the Community Center from 11 am to 4 p.m.
- Cargill meat has had a food recall on meat produce on April 26th and April 27th
- Florida has a recall on cucumbers due to salmonella

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS:

Trustee Travis Claybooks mentioned the following:

- Public Works is looking into purchasing a new street sweeper, our current sweeper continues to be in the shop for maintenance. Our current sweeper is over 24 years old
- Public Works have been cleaning the alleys
- Attended the Southland meeting about the Wind Creek Casino, they are hiring now, an event to be held on August 7, 2024, at Prairie State College

ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION, AND PLANNING:

1. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee Jefferey Hodges to approve ORDINANCE 2024-O-004 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE XV OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM CODE OF ORDINANCES AND ESTABLISHING THE “ABANDONED PROPERTY ACQUISITION PROGRAM” (APAP) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, COOK COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Trustee Graciela Garcia mentioned the following:

- Job fair to be held on June 20, 2024 at Moraine Valley College 10 am to 2 pm-hiring on the spot

FINANCE:

1. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee Jefferey Hodges to approve the authorization of the payment of this month’s bills.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

*Trustee John Cap Jr. stated that the Finance Committee held Appropriation meetings and Trustees will not be paid for those meetings

PUBLIC UTILITIES:

Trustee Richardson, please mention the following:

- 2023 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is available in pamphlet form
- Posted on our website: Burnham-il.gov- under Water & Sewer
- City of Chicago has raised the water rate as of June 1, 2024

*Mayor Polk stated that as some point in the future we will have to increase our water rates but not at this time.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Trustee Jefferey Hodges mentioned the following:

- CMPD and Village of Burnham will be hosting a Gospel Fest-July 27th from 5 pm – 8 pm
- Community Day to be held on Saturday, August 3, 2024 at Lawhead Park
- National Nite Out to be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at Lawhead Park

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS: None

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: *Trustee John Cap Jr mentioned the Walk of the Day to be held on June 15th at Wicker Park, in Highland, Indiana-Sign up is \$25.00 and Students \$15.00

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None



Village Clerk



Mayor