

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WILLOWBROOK TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023, AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER, 825 MIDWAY DRIVE, WILLOWBROOK, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS .

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. Mayor Trilla.

2. ROLL CALL

Those physically present at roll call were Village Clerk Deborah Hahn, Mayor Frank Trilla, Village Trustees Mark Astrella, Sue Berglund, Umberto Davi, Michael Mistele, Gayle Neal, Greg Ruffolo, Attorney Michael Durkin, Village Administrator Sean Halloran, Assistant to the Village Administrator Alex Arteaga, Director of Community Development Michael Krol, Director of Parks and Recreation Dustin Kleefisch, Chief Robert Schaller, Deputy Chief Lauren Kaspar, Deputy Clerk Christine Mardegan and Public Works Foreman AJ Passero.

ABSENT: Deputy Chief Benjamin Kadolph.

A QUORUM WAS DECLARED

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Trilla asked Deputy Chief Kaspar to lead everyone in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. VISITORS' BUSINESS

Present via zoom, Ms. Donalyne Nipperus, a resident of Willowbrook, expressed her concerns regarding the proposed plans for a pickle ball court that will be built next to her home. Ms. Nipperus is not in favor of a pickle ball court.

Mayor Trilla thanked Ms. Nipperus for speaking and stated that this information will be available for review on Wednesday [at the Capital Improvement (CIP) open house].

5. RECOGNITION - Officer Piotr Opacian Received the Village of Willowbrook's 2022 Officer of the Year Award

Deputy Chief Kaspar introduced Officer Piotr Opacian to the Board. Officer Opacian has been an officer since 2020. He has done amazing things with our tactical unit. Last year he received thirteen (13) letters of recognition. This award has been given to him by his peers. The Mayor and the Board congratulated Officer Opacian.

OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

Mayor Trilla read over each item in the Omnibus Vote Agenda for the record.

6. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA:

- a. Waive Reading of Minutes (Approve)
- b. Minutes - Board of Trustees Regular Meeting February 27, 2023 (APPROVE)
- c. Minutes - Board of Trustees Special Meeting - Budget Workshop #2 February 15, 2023 (APPROVE)
- d. Warrants \$ 469,614.66
- e. POSTPONEMENT TO THE 3/27/23 VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA - A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF WILLOWBROOK APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A REQUEST TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE SOUTHEAST ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL PARKS AND RECREATION ("SEASPAR")

Mayor Trilla asked the Board if there were any items to be removed from Omnibus Vote Agenda.

MOTION: Made by Trustee Mistele and seconded by Trustee Berglund to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustees Astrella, Berglund, Davi, Mistele, Neal and Ruffolo. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business at this meeting.

PRIOR BUSINESS

7. TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Neal had no report.

Trustee Ruffolo had a reoccurring report about calls he receives from the business park area about five (5) trucks parked in the Kerry Piper lot. I took some photos of it and contacted the correct authorities to address this ongoing issue.

Trustee Mistele had no report.

Trustee Berglund had no report.

Trustee Davi had no report but questioned the time of the Improvements Open House [the Capital Improvement (CIP) open house]. Administrator Halloran responded 5:30 PM in this building [Community Resource Center (CRC)].

Trustee Astrella had no report.

8. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Durkin had no report but reminded the board that there is an executive session this evening.

9. CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Hahn had no report.

10. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Halloran thanked Public Works for the way they handled the water main break near Tameling's on this past Saturday evening. It was a difficult and dangerous task. After the repair, the Public Works crew salted and cleaned up the area.

There is a \$500,000 grant from DCEO [Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity] available and we received confirmation from the State of Illinois that we are receiving the grant.

The Administrator offered his praise to staff, particularly Director Kleefisch and Foreman Passero, for their work on the securing additional funding for the storm water improvement project at Borse Park. For next year's improvements, the initial funding was through an ARPA [American Rescue Plan Act] grant and General Fund money. Last week, we received an additional \$99,000 grant from DuPage County, so there will be no need to use any General Fund monies.

Mayor Trilla congratulated Administrator Halloran and staff for the hard work and dedication in working to secure additional grants. Job well done!

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Trilla reported that he received a letter of resignation from Chief Schaller. I will be submitting the letter to our Clerk after the meeting. I wish the Chief good luck. He will stay in the position until May 19, 2023. We have had nothing but incredible improvement and leadership under your guidance. While it is bittersweet, we are happy for you in reaching this achievement.

Chief Schaller thanked the Mayor and the Board for all their support and guidance throughout my 28-year career.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees Authorized by 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

MOTION: Made by Trustee Davi and seconded by Trustee Mistele to adjourn the Regular Meeting at the hour of 6:46 p.m. and recess to Executive Session.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustees Astrella, Berglund, Davi, Mistele, Neal and Ruffolo. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT

Regular meeting adjourned and the Board moved into Closed Session.

PRESENTED, READ, and APPROVED.

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Frank A. Trilla, Mayor

Minutes transcribed by Deputy Clerk Christine Mardegan.