

MINUTES of a regular meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Skokie, Cook County, Illinois held in the Council Chambers at 5127 Oakton Street at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 16, 2024



Pledge of Allegiance led by Acting Village Clerk Sylvia Luke.

Mayor Van Dusen called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the Roll. Those present were Trustees Sutker, Robinson, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen. Trustee Khoeun was absent.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Klein

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Johnson, Pure, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: Khoeun.

MOTION CARRIED

Approve, as submitted, minutes of regular meeting held Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

Omnibus vote.

* Approve Voucher List #17-FY24 of January 16, 2024.

Omnibus vote.

Appointments, Reappointments and Resignations.

A. Swearing in of the following personnel by Acting Village Clerk Sylvia Luke.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Position</u>	<u>New Position</u>
John Oakley	Police Commander	Police Deputy Chief

Mayor Van Dusen congratulated the new Police Deputy Chief who introduced his family and friends.

B. Swearing in of the following personnel by Willard Evans, Jr., Chair of the Board of Fire and Police Commission.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Position</u>	<u>New Position</u>
Rogelio Cantu	Police Officer	Police Sergeant

Mayor Van Dusen congratulated the new Police Sergeant who introduced his family and friends.

* C. Appointment

Economic Development Commission: Alexis Barbour

Omnibus vote.

* D. Resignations

Economic Development Commission: Joseph Hermiz and David Rahija

Fine Arts Commission: James VanOsdol

Omnibus vote.

Report of the Village Manager.

*A. Fire Station Emergency Alerting System – Chicago Communications, LLC., Elmhurst, Illinois – \$309,836.64.

Motion to award a contract to Chicago Communications, LLC., Elmhurst, Illinois in the amount of \$309,836.64 for the Fire Station emergency alerting system.

Omnibus vote.

*B. Hanging Flower Baskets & Containers Installation and Maintenance – Christy Webber Landscapes, Inc., Chicago, Illinois - \$67,333.50.

Motion to award a contract to Christy Webber Landscapes Inc., Chicago, Illinois in the amount of \$67,333.50 for hanging flower baskets & containers installation and maintenance.

Omnibus vote.

* C. Propriety Purchase of Stryker Power-LOAD Fastener System – Stryker Medical, Chicago, Illinois – \$28,244.40.

Motion to award a contract to Stryker Medical, Chicago, IL in the amount of \$28,244.40 for propriety purchase of Stryker Power-LOAD Fastener System.

Omnibus vote.

Report of the Corporation Counsel.

FIRST READING:

A. Resolution 24-1-R-1561

Motion to adopt a Resolution regarding the approval and release of Executive Session Minutes of the Mayor and Board of Trustees. Item A is on the agenda for first reading and adoption. The Resolution will correct the Scribner’s error Section 2.06c to 2.06d.

Discussions about how often the Executive Session minutes would be approved and also about how many votes constitutes a Majority vote.

Moved: Trustee Johnson

Seconded: Trustee Robinson

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Johnson, Pure Slovin , Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: Khoeun.

MOTION CARRIED

B. Resolution 24-1-R-1562

Motion to adopt a resolution regarding the approval and release of Executive Session Minutes of the Mayor and Board of Trustees. Item B is on the agenda for first reading and adoption. The Resolution will correct the Scribner’s error Section 2.06c to 2.06d.

Moved: Trustee Johnson

Seconded: Trustee Sutker

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Johnson, Pure Slovin , Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: Khoeun.

MOTION CARRIED

Unfinished Business.

Inclusionary Housing Ordinance

Trustee Johnson offered an Alternative Solution: Require 5% on-site affordable housing units in all new/renovated developments-no multi-tier calculation for the number of required units and no fee-in-lieu alternative to on-site affordable units.

New Business.

A. Case 2023-02M – A request by Thompson Coburn, LLP on behalf of DDRTC at the retail shopping center at 5555 west Touhy Avenue for an amendment to site plan approval ordinance 89-6-Z-2042 through modified review procedure.

Motion to concur with the Plan Commission that the petitioner’s request be approved to modify site plan approval Ordinance 89-6-Z-2042 to demolish the existing 667 space parking structure to be replaced with 446 at-grade parking spaces subject to all conditions. And that the following ordinances be repealed 02-10-Z-3124 Special Use Permit, and 04-6-Z-3281 Special Use permit.

Moved: Trustee Klein

Seconded: Trustee Johnson

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Johnson, Pure Slovin , Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: Khoeun.

MOTION CARRIED

Plan Commission.

A. Plan Commission Case 2023-30P – Zoning Chapter Amendment.

Motion to concur with the Plan Commission that Chapter 118 Zoning of the Skokie Village Code be amended as proposed in the Staff report for 2023-30P.

Moved: Trustee Robinson

Seconded: Trustee Sutker

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Johnson, Pure Slovin , Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: Khoeun.

MOTION CARRIED

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Public Comments.

Lauren Grodnicki commented on majority votes.

Trustee Johnson spoke about reforming the Village of Skokie Legal Department, political hiring, and updating the Policy making process. Mayor Van Dusen cautioned Trustee Johnson to be careful inasmuch as he has taken an oath of office.

Public Comment by email.

Jinsky Jean-Pois commented about reflecting on the 95th anniversary of civil rights icon Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. She also commented about Trustee Johnson walking out of council chambers in protest and that it is not appropriate as an elected official.

2024-2025 Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing #2.
This was postponed.

Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Klein

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: Khoeun.

MOTION CARRIED

Acting Village Clerk

Approved:

Mayor Van Dusen

Items marked with an asterisk (*) indicate they are part of the Consent Agenda that contains routine items or items which have already been discussed by the Mayor and Board at a previous public meeting and require a second reading. Items on the Consent Agenda are passed in one vote at the beginning of the Board Meeting. Prior to the vote on the Consent Agenda, the Mayor will inquire if there is any matter which anyone wishes to remove from the Consent Agenda. If there is an item on the Consent Agenda which you wish to address, please inform the Mayor at that time you wish to remove it from the Consent Agenda.

