

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 8 p.m. on Monday August 3, 2020



Until further notice, meetings of the Skokie Village Board will be held electronically, with a majority of Village officials participating via remote access in order to comply with the State of Illinois Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation. Members of the public who wish to comment as to an item on the published agenda or to comment during public comments must submit their statement or question in writing to the Village Manager's Office and all properly submitted statements or questions will be presented and read during the relevant portion of the meeting. Written comments may be submitted by email to citizencomments@skokie.org by mail to Village of Skokie, Village Manager's Office, 5127 Oakton Street, Skokie, Illinois, 60077; or via the Village's drop box located by the public entry to Village Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Village Clerk Pramod C. Shah.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the Roll. Those present were Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen. The Trustees were joining by remote electronic access.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved: Trustee Klein

Seconded: Trustee Sutker

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

* Approve, as submitted, minutes of regular meeting held Monday, July 20, 2020.

Omnibus vote.

* Approve Voucher List #6-FY21 of August 3, 2020.

Omnibus vote.

* Appointments, Reappointments and Resignations.

A. Appointment

Beautification & Improvement Commission: Vernell Ellison-Smith

B. Reappointments

Performing Arts Center Board: Terrence Guolee as Chair and Barbara Reeder as Vice Chair

C. Resignation

Ethics Commission: Pastor Daniel Morris

Omnibus vote.

Presentations and Reports.

A. Presentation

Skokie Economic Recovery Plan.

The Village of Skokie Economic Recovery 11-member Task force comprised of business, community, health and faith leaders. The summary recommendations were Initiate and expand effort to promote and assist Skokie Businesses and organizations, Advocate for additional business assistance, Solicit and broaden feedback, Bolster marketing initiatives, Develop special events, Increase safety and COVID-19 prevention assistance, Review and reshape local regulations, Monitor local, regional and national economic conditions, Identify which businesses have closed, Monitor COVID-19 infection rates, hospitalizations and capacities and Pinpoint potential gaps in the Recovery Plan.

Mayor Van Dusen thanked the team for their hard work and commitment.

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Report of the Village Manager.

A. COVID-19 Update.

The State of Illinois and federal government have allocated substantial grants for COVID-19 case investigations, contact tracing, outbreak management and prevention activities. There was an initial grant of from the IDPH of \$54,751 for COVID-19 and the overarching goal of the \$817,632 federal grant funds to be received over the next year.

Dr. Counard thanked the Village for the pleasure and honor to work with everyone. Mayor Van Dusen thanked her for 10 years of service for education on Public Health.

B. Resolution to Participate in the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus CS² Community Solar Program.

Resolution 20-8-R-1473

Motion to adopt a Resolution to participate in the Metropolitan Mayors CS² Community Solar Program.

Liz Zimmerman, Assistant to the Public Works Director answered questions from the Board,

Moved: Trustee Roberts

Seconded: Trustee Bromberg

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

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C. Commercial Corridor Storefront Enhancement Program: 8042 Lincoln Avenue.

Motion to approve a grant in an amount not to exceed \$30,058 for Commercial Corridor Storefront Enhancement Program at Kneads & Wants, located at 8042 Lincoln Avenue. The property owner answered questions from the Board.

Moved: Trustee Gray-Keeler

Seconded: Trustee Klein

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

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*D. HP Infrastructure Maintenance Contract – HP Support Warehouse, Lake Success, New York – \$32,298.74.

Motion to award a contract to HP Support Warehouse, Lake Success, New York in the amount of \$32,298.74 for HP Infrastructure Maintenance Contract.

Omnibus vote.

Report of the Corporation Counsel.

CONSENT:

* A. Ordinance 20-8-C-4526

Motion to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 10 and Chapter 46 of the Skokie Village Code pertaining to the sale of alcoholic liquor and related fees. This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

* B. Ordinance 20-8-C-4527

Motion to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 46, Article VI, Section 46-193, of the Skokie Village Code pertaining to water rates. This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

FIRST READING:

C. Resolution 20-8-R-1473

Motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the publication of the Official Zoning Map for the Village of Skokie, Illinois. This item is on the agenda for first reading and approval.

Moved: Trustee Ulrich

Seconded: Trustee Roberts

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

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Citizen Comments.

Daniel Schwartz commented on amount of bees flying around in relation to the Apiary, Lawrence Walters commented on body cameras and equity education for Skokie staff and affordable housing, Shira Hammann, 8921 Lincolnwood Dr. commented on the red-light camera at Oakton and McCormick.

These residents commented on Barack Obama’s Mayor Pledge: Nicole Reynolds, Suzanne Strassberger, 8130 Lorel, Lisa Litberg, Amy and Yochal Eisenberg, Theresa Gibbons, 8147 Long, Oralia Acosta, London Summerville, 8046 Kenneth, Joanie McKinney, Beth Demes, 8048 Lockwood Ave. Laura Williams, 8135 Lockwood and Carrie Swan.

Matt Temkin commented on body cameras, equity education, affordable housing and support for Black economic development in the Village.

Manager Lockerby stated that the Personnel Director of the Village of Skokie will be retiring on August 13.

Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 9:10 p.m.

Moved: Trustee Bromberg

Seconded: Trustee Roberts

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

Pramod Shah, Village Clerk

Approved:

Mayor George Van Dusen



