

Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of The Board Of Trustees For The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties Illinois, Held Tuesday, May 8, 2012 At #90 Town Center Drive In The Village Of University Park

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Covington called this regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:43 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Mayor:	Vivian E. Covington	Present
Trustees:	Elizabeth Williams	Present
	Oscar H. Brown, Jr.	Present
	Milton C. Payton	Present
	Keith J. Griffin	Present
	Joseph E. Roudez, III	Present
	Larry B. Brown	Present

Also present were Village Manager Lafayette Linear, Village Attorney Ivan Tomic, Village Treasurer Devon Dilworth, Police Chief Melvin Davis, Parks & Recreation Director Keely Childress, Public Works Director Jerry Townsend, Executive Liaison Johnna Townsend, Fire Chief Charles Exner, Golf Club Restaurant Manager/Pamela Jackson, Cable Studio Manager Eddie Pearson, and Village Clerk Dorothy R. Jones.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Covington led the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

D. READING OF MINUTES

Trustee Joseph Roudez moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion that the Board approves minutes of the special meeting and Public Hearing of Board of Trustees held March 30, 2012, and regular meeting held April 26, 2012 as amended.

Trustee Oscar Brown noted that a correction should be made to his comment in section C paragraph three. He noted that the correction should include that he requested to see job description for the Deputy Chief and Commander Position.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez, and
Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion to Approve Carried.

E. NON-DISCUSSION AGENDA

E-1: Village Manager's Report

Village Manager Lafayette Linear reported that during the past two weeks he has participated in meetings with several developers, discussing different approaches to pursuing retail development with the Village, and that the meetings have been positive and sets the ground work for development.

Village Manager Lafayette Linear noted that he has continued to work with the Finance Director and Department Heads to ensure items of Board consensus were included in the budget, and noted that they have worked diligently to include these items, while complying with the State's requirements for presenting a balanced budget. Additionally, he noted that he has continued to work to refine the summer hiring process and conducted numerous interviews along with the Parks and Recreation Director.

E-2: Mayor's Report

Mayor Covington reported that the April 22, 2012 issue of the Chicago Tribune covered a story on The Village of University Park which shed a positive light on the village and it has caught the attention of various businesses. She Thanked the Chicago Tribune for the publicity.

Mayor Covington noted that along with Trustee Griffin, Village Manager Linear and Public Works Director Jerry Townsend they were able to go to a Lighting Company and pick out the beautiful lighting that will be placed along University Parkway and In the town center; she explained that with the placing of the lighting it will be accompanied with planters, an irrigation system, music and cameras; Mayor Covington noted that there are thirteen new Pace bus shelters going up around the village, and that the ramps at the shelters are being repaved and remodeled; Mayor Covington noted that we will be getting new buses that will be marked with the Village of University Park, and that this would beautify the Village of University Park.

Mayor Covington welcomed Ms. Jones and Mr. Dolby from Local 1 Stop and Shop a Local business which provides retention plan/program to help support existing business longevity. Some of their high points are:

- ❖ Reduce high small business turnover and limited business growth
- ❖ Reduce the loss of local government business tax revenue.
- ❖ Increase local job opportunities.
- ❖ Increase city/village appeal.

Ms. Jones continued to highlight areas the Local 1 Stop and Shop offered which included Awareness of local small businesses by central consolidation in-print and online for consumers to easily find accurate business information; Business Staffing Assistance – business has access to professionally trained and affordable local people through internships, which expands the reach of small businesses and serves as a job incubator; Community Job Board- business has access to one place online for businesses to advertise open positions and collect applications/resumes; Business Resource Matching –business has access to a collection of highly qualified and certified businesses with discounted service/ product rates to address business needs.

Ms. Jones noted that there is no cost to the Village of University Park, but there is an annual fee that is charged to business at a discounted rate of \$ 50.00. Ms. Jones noted that 35% of the fee that is received by Local 1 Stop Shop will be shared with The Village of University Park, and that she thinks every Village/City needs a retention plan.

Mayor Covington noted that Local 1 Stop and Shop would be a great resource for local business to advertise on social media, and asked Ms. Jones if the business website would show how many hits their businesses receive.

Ms. Jones response was yes, the business will received a bi-annual report and it will provide that information.

Proclamation- Motorcycle Awareness Month

With the concurrence of the Board of Trustees, Mayor Covington proclaimed the Month of May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in the Village of University Park. Trustee Milton Payton read the proclamation.

Swearing In Ceremony

Accompanied by Mayor Covington, Trustee Larry Brown, and Police Chief Davis Village Clerk Dee Jones administered the Oath of Office to Sgt. Jason Kinnan. Sgt. Jason Kinnan was accompanied by her wife and 2 children.

E-3: Committee & Commission Reports

Trustee Griffin reported on that he, Mayor Covington, Village Manager Linear, Public Works Director Townsend and a couple of people on the Public Services & Utilities Committee went to Roselle, Illinois, to look at some lighting for the Village of University Park. Trustee Griffin stated that the installation of this green lighting project should be under way around September or October.

Committee & Commission Reports – continued:

Trustee Griffin noted that he is working with Robinson Engineering in preparing a Grant for a Farmers Market, and noted that he understands that the Farmers Market last year was at the last minute, but this year they hope to start in time for a bigger market, and hopes that the grant will help to increase the size of the farmers market.

Trustee Roudez reported that summer day camp will be held for K-8th it runs Monday – Friday from 9am -3:30pm. The first session starts on June 11 – July 6, 2012, there is no summer camp session on July 4, 2012. Summer camp session II starts on July 9 – August 3, 2012. The fee for summer camp is \$ 315.00 per child for residents and \$ 330.00 per child for non-residents. Summer camp session III starts August 6 – August 17, 2012 the fee for this session is \$ 157.50 per child for residents and \$165.00 per child for non-residents.

Trustee Roudez, noted that all payments should be made to the Village of University Park and also if there were any question feel free to contact Park and Recreation at 708-534-6456.

Trustee Larry Brown noted that Fire and Police Commissioners are accepting application for the eligibility list for Patrol Officers, and noted that applications must be returned to Village Hall no later than May 18, 2012 by 5:30 p.m.

Trustee Payton reported on the upcoming events that the HSSEC and Sub-committees have been working on to bring to University Park that includes Community Block Party & Village wide Garage Sale will be held June 9th and 10th, 2012 and he encouraged the village residents to get involved with the village wide yard sale and village wide block club party. He noted that the goal is to have a least 25 block club parties going on Sunday June 10, 2012, and encouraged resident to become involved because it is a great way for neighbors to get to know one another. Trustee Payton noted that there is a need for residents to volunteer as block club captains, and work together to put together a theme for the block club party, and noted that flyers would be available, and that the next meeting of HSSEC would be held on Saturday May 12, 2012 at 9:00am.

At this point, Trustee Payton deferred to Sub-committee Chairperson Bobbie Greer to inform the public about the upcoming events

Mrs. Greer stated that auditions will be held on July 2, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at #90 Town Center Drive for those persons interested in participating in the Jazz, Blues & Gospel Fest to be held at Pine Lake July 14th and 15th, 2012, and asked the public to contact village hall if there are any question concerning the upcoming event at 708- 534-6451.

Trustee Payton deferred to the Sub-committee Chairperson of Carnival Robert Travis to give a synopsis of upcoming event the Back to School Carnival and Fest.

Committee & Commission Reports – continued:

Mr. Travis noted that the carnival will have 16 -23 rides and 4-5 game truck, 11 different food vendors from the carnival, in addition to other food vendor from University Park and surrounding area. Mr. Travis reported that the Back to School Carnival and Fest would run 3 days from August 17th thru 19, 2012, and that there would be reduced ticket prices for family that are under privileged. He also noted that he is working to get Industrial Park businesses to help sponsor the Back to School Carnival &Fest, and that they are looking at having a Youth day on one of those days. He also asked for volunteers to help with these events.

E-4: Reports of Other Officers

Executive Liaison Johnna Townsend spoke on behalf of the IT Director, Deryl Bolton who is on his way back from attending a technical conference in Las Vegas and reported that Deryl was asked by Hewlett Packard and Dell to participate in an IT Leadership Summit on Local Government, and that he conducted a presentation speaking on the evolution of technology that took place in University Park, and our current usage and impact of Cloud computing in our network environment; about the future of the desktop and server virtualization, and how it can impact local government and services. He promises that he will elaborate more at our next Board meeting.

Johnna Townsend also announced that a public notice has been posted announcing that due to lack of a quorum, the regular Board of Trustees meeting for Tuesday, May 22, 2012 has been re-scheduled to Thursday, May 24, 2012 here at 90 Towncenter starting at 7:00 p.m. and that a phone tree announcement will be sent on both Monday, May 14, 2012 and again on Monday, May 21, 2012. It will also appear on the website: www.university-park-il.com and will air on WUPC channel 4. She also reported that a phone tree message was sent today notifying our residents that there is an increase in the quarterly refuse bills from \$ 35.93 to \$ 45.90, and that during the refuse bill printing process, a computer error was experienced and Residents will see two payments of \$ 45.90 on their bill, and asked that in this case, please deduct one of the \$45.90 charges when making their paying. Additionally, for the comfort of residents, a revised bill can be printed upon request when visiting or by calling Village Hall. Relating to contacting elected officials, Ms. Townsend reported that by ordinance our legislators are part-time, and the standard procedure to make sure that all meetings and call request are accommodated on a timely basis is to contact the Mayor and Board of Trustees' Office by calling 708- 534-4237. Please note that each member of our Board as well works hard to return all phone calls within 24 hour timeframe. And those residents seeking to receive, or to no longer receive phone tree announcements may contact Village Hall between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday to have your information either added or removed from the system.

Reports Of Other Officers – continued:

Golf Club Restaurant Manager Pam Jackson reported on behalf of Paul Blockoms General Manager of the Golf Club noting that the University Golf Club was the host tonight of the Chicago District Golf Association Workshop which was open to all members and golfers, and that the University Golf Club has been chosen by the Professional Golfer of America Association to host the Player's Ability Test for those who wants to attain PGA status in July. She also reported, as a reminder that the University Golf Club opens daily at 8:00 a.m., and that University Park resident receives a 20% discount on all menu items; The Annual Mother's Day Bunch hosted by the University Golf Club & Conference Center would be Sunday, May 12, 2012 with seating times are 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 2:00 p.m. Reservation can be made by call 708-747-0636 Ext. 14.

Parks & Recreation Director Keely Childress reported on upcoming trip to Aurora outlet mall, on May 19, 2012 the cost is \$10.00 per person, the registration deadline has been extended to May 16, 2012; payments for this upcoming event can be made at Village Hall. She also reported that Parks and Recreation will be starting their garden program, and residents that are interested in starting a garden plot can contact her office at 534-6456, the cost is \$ 20.00 per plot, and this will pay for a 20 X 20 size plot.

Public Works Director Jerry Townsend reported that he has been noticing a problem with people throwing grass/garbage debris into the street and when it rains the debris will get into the storm drains which causes problem with the drainage system, and asked residents to refrain from this practice. He also that last Friday we had a lighting strike in the Town Center that struck one of the lights; however the light should be replaced on next Thursday.

Police Chief Mel Davis reported on the first Citizen's Police Academy held last night, and commented that the feed-back was great. He explained that this is the way that the University Park Police Department is bridging the gap between the Police Department and University Park residents. Chief Davis encouraged residents to come out and support the programs; Chief Davis noted that the police department is working with the WUPC TV 4 Cable Channel and the Young Broadcaster to present safety tips which will air on our cable channel very soon. Additionally, he reported that applications for the eligibility list for University Park Police are being accepted at Village Hall; the application fee is \$25.00 with the deadline to return all application is May 18, 2012 to the Village Hall.

Fire Chief Charles Exner extended condolences to the Manhattan Fire department in the loss of one of their firefighters, who was killed in a motorcycle accident; he noted that this was the third firefighter killed off duty in a month.

Village Treasurer Dilworth reported that he had nothing to share at this time.

Reports of Other Officers – continued:

Mr. Lafayette Linear reported on behalf of the Finance Director Gibson that the Finance Director has been working all week with the Auditors of McGladrey & Pullen, and that he has met with the Partner; the progress is good, and the field work for the 2009 Audit should be wrapped up very soon.

F. NON - DISCUSSION AGENDA

F-1: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F-1a: First, Second and Third Readings – Ordinance Adopting The Budget for all Corporate Purposes of the Village of University Park, Will and Cook Counties, Illinois, In Lieu of The Appropriation Ordinance For The Fiscal Year Commencing on The First Day of May, 2012, and Ending on the Thirtieth Day of April, 2013.

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves first, second and third reading of this ordinance.

Motion to Amend Main Motion:

Trustee Oscar Brown moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion that the Board approves to table this item until after executive session.

Mayor Covington asked Trustee Oscar Brown if his motion was to table this item until after executive session tonight.

Trustee Oscar Brown responded yes. His concern was that Trustee Griffin had requested specific changes to the budget that were not covered in the budget workshop the previous day, and such changes would require that the Board discuss them in executive session.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez, Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion To Table Until After Executive Session Carried.

F-1b: First, Second and Third Readings – Ordinance Authorizing The Execution of an Engagement Letter Between The Village of University Park and Schiff Hardin LLP to Service as Bond Counsel for the Village.

F-1b - continued:

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Payton seconded a motion that the Board approves first, second and third readings of this ordinance.

Trustee Griffin noted that he posed the question to Manager Linear and to the Village Attorney Tomic, asking if the bond was 6.5 million dollars, he noted that both the Village Manager and Attorney Tomic said bond was 6.5 million, and now is it 8 millions.

Trustee Payton responded to the question by saying as part to the budget workshop that was held yesterday, one of the projects that was look at was the Cicero Lighting Project 2014, 80% of the portion will be given in Grants; the Village's portion would be around \$200,000.00 to match the grant monies. Trustee Payton noted it was discussed to place that \$200,000.00 into the bond, rather than selling bonds for the \$ 200, 000.00. We included our match for this project into the 8.1 millions dollars bond that we going to sell which would include the University parkway redevelopment and University Park infrastructure, that way we can have University Parkway and Cicero completed.

Trustee Griffin questioned Jerry Townsend about his statement that he would go to the Mayor and Manager for the \$ 200, 000.00.

Jerry Townsend responded to Trustee Griffin stating that he stated that he was working with South Suburban Mayors and Manager to get the project funded which is not a guarantee.

Motion To Amend Main Motion:

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion that the Board approves to amend this item to do first reading only tonight.

Mayor Covington asked to know what effect the delay would have on this item.

Manager Linear responded that this action would secure the Bond Attorney to begin drafting the bonds, and that the Board has already approved the Finance Consultant to go out and start gathering funds, and that he is not sure what effect this would have on this project. He also noted that we cannot sell bonds without a Bond Attorney to draft the documents.

Mayor Covington noted that after 45 year they are trying to get the new development here, because residents are complaining about the taxes, and this is an effort to bring revenue to the Village of University Park to help reduce taxes.

F-1b: continued:

Mayor Covington noted that Trustee Oscar Brown wanted a timeline for this project, and that to hold this up will hurt our own timeline. Mayor Covington notes that all we need is an Attorney to protect the bond.

Trustee Roudez questioned the time constraint on this project.

Mayor Covington referred to Yvette Flowers to answer Trustee Roudez question. Ms. Flowers referred to Attorney Tomic stating that they attended the same meeting.

Attorney Tomic noted that we are under time constraints, because we have to issue the bond. Attorney Tomic noted that he has completed a Development Agreement; however, the Development Agreement cannot go forward until have a Bond Attorney to do a Letter concerning the bond portion of the Agreement. Attorney Tomic noted that we can not move forward in selling our bonds by the June date, because we need the Bond Attorney to look at the bonds.

Trustee Roudez asked if the Board could do a second reading on this item tonight and finish at the next regular meeting.

Attorney Tomic responded to the question of Trustee Roudez, stating that by not approving this item will set back the Development Agreement he has been working on. And noted that the Bond Attorney will not look at, or given counsel on the development agreement unless they have a signed agreement with the Village of University Park stating that they will get paid for their services

Trustee Roudez asked to know the percentage of the dollar amount that the Bond Attorney would be paid to write the bond agreement, and expressed his concern with the rush on passing this item.

Attorney Tomic noted that The Mayor and the Board of Trustee will decide the amount of the bond.

Mayor Covington noted that there has been a workshop and meeting that discussed this item.

Trustee Oscar Brown requested a point of clarity from the Village Clerk, Trustee Oscar Brown asked if he was to vote Nay to the 1st reading of this item would it come back before the board.

Village Clerk Dorothy Jones responded that if you have the majority that votes against approving this item, then it would go back before the Board for 2nd and 3rd reading, a roll call must be done first.

F-1b: - continued:

Roll Call On Amendment To Do First Reading

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin, and Roudez
Nays: Trustees Payton, and Larry Brown.
Absent: None.

Motion to Approve Amendment Carried.

Roll Call To Approve First Reading

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez. and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion Carried To Approve First Reading.

F-1c: First, Second and Third Readings – Ordinance Authorizing The Execution of a Lease agreement with Kenneth Kidd, Individually and D/B/A KDK Decorators, For The Operation Of A Contractor/Real Estate Office In Space # 8 In The University Park Towncenter Building

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Larry Brown second a motion that the Board approves first, second, and third reading of this ordinance.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez. and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion to Approve Carried

Ordinance Number O2012-15

F-1d: Second and Third Readings – Ordinance Authorizing The Execution of Intergovernmental Agreement Between The University Park Police Department and The Cook County Sheriff's Police Department.

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Payton second a motion that the Board approves second, and third reading of this ordinance

Trustee Oscar Brown made the motion to amend main motion to second reading only, noting his concerns about the ordinance and asked that contract with the Cook County Sheriff is made available for public viewing and is requesting a Public Hearing on this item.

F-1d – continued:

Chief Mel Davis responded by stating that by partnering with the Cook County Sheriff's Department there would be an added resource to our community, which would help to limit the number of break ins; help to limited drugs coming into our town; gang and gun activity, and would be a positive move for University Park as a community, and that the services that Cook County Sheriff would provide will be to no cost to the Village.

Trustee Oscar Brown withdrew his previous motion.

Trustee Oscar Brown asked Village Clerk Jones the procedure if he wanted to reconsider something that was previously voted on.

Village Clerk Dorothy Jones stated that if the item was on the current agenda, a motion could be made to reconsider the vote taken on that item.

Trustee Roudez asked what would be the difference between Cook County Sheriff's Police Department and the Will Cook Sheriff, and why not use the resources of just Will County.

Chief Davis stated that we will be using both Cook and Will County Sheriff.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez. And Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion to Approve Carried

Ordinance Number O2012-16

F-2: NEW BUSINESS

F-2a: First, Second, and Third Readings – Ordinance Amending The Village Of University Park Zoning Map To Change the Zoning of 8.005 +/-Acres of Vacant Land Located at The Northeast Corner Of Burnham and University Parkway from F-Public Facilities to R4 Multiple Family Residence District.

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Payton second a motion that the Board approves first, second, and third reading of this ordinance

Motion to Amend Main Motion

Trustee Oscar Brown moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion that the Board Approves to amend this item to first reading only tonight.

F-2a: - continued:

Trustee Oscar Brown stated that he has concerns about this project, stating that he has listened and understand that it will be Commercial development on this property; however, the R4 zoning will cover ancillary use that covers stand alone businesses such as Family Dollar, Culver, etc., and for that reason, he would like for the item to be first reading only, and ask for further proceeding with the Plan Commission.

Manager Linear clarified that they are only looking to re-zone the land that they want to use to build the Senior Home facility on, not the land where you will be looking to put commercial businesses.

Roll Call For First Reading:

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin, and Roudez.
Nays: Trustee Payton, Trustee Larry Brown
Absent: None.

Motion to Approve Carried.

Roll Call To Approve First Reading

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez. and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion to Approve First Reading Carried.

F-2b: First Second, and Third Reading - Ordinance Authorizing The Administration Code Entitled "Division Of Police" Creating Section 230.06(A)-(G), Police Commander.

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Payton seconded a motion that the Board approves first, second, and third readings of this ordinance.

Motion To Amend Main Motion

Trustee Oscar Brown moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion that the Board approves to amend this ordinance by striking paragraphs 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the proposed ordinance and replace with the ordinance that he presented to the Mayor.

Trustee Oscar Brown stated this ordinance is tied to the budget, and if it does not pass, he will vote against the budget ordinance.

F-2b – continued:

Attorney Tomic clarified that the old ordinance did not include rank, and he explained the proposed ordinance as presented noting that the Manager and Police Chief Melvin Davis were to draft job descriptions and legal requirements to be adhered to.

Call The Previous Question:

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Payton seconded a motion to call the previous question.

Ayes: Trustees Payton and Larry Brown.
Nays: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin and Roudez.
Absent: None.

Call The Previous Question Failed To Carry

There was another lengthy discussion of this item

Call The Previous Question:

Trustee Payton moved, Trustee Larry Brown seconded a motion to call the previous question.

Ayes: Trustees Payton and Larry Brown.
Nays: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin and Roudez.
Absent: None.

Call The Previous Question Failed To Carry

Motion To Amend Amended Motion:

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Payton seconded a motion that the Board approves a table of this item.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, and Roudez.
Nays: Trustee Larry Brown.
Absent: None.

Motion To Table Carried.

F-2c: First, Second, and Third Reading- Ordinance Authorizing The Execution Of An Agreement Between The Village Of University Park and Big H Amusements, Inc.

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion that the Board approves First, second, and third reading of this ordinance.

F-2c: - continued:

Trustee Oscar Brown asked Robert Travis the Sub-committee Chairperson for the Carnival for clarity on the dollar amounts given.

Mr. Robert Travis noted that the Village would receive 20% of any monies received over \$ 15,000.00; and 25 % of any monies received over \$ 25,000.00.

Trustee Oscar Brown noted that from \$.0-15,000.00 the Village will get 20% of any monies received and 25% of any monies received over \$ 25,000.00. Trustee Brown question the \$25.00 being paid for each concession operated.

Robert Travis noted that Big H Amusements, Inc will pay \$25.00 for each person working the concession stand.

Trustee Roudez asked if there will be any monies in the contract to help the needy families that may not have monies to attend the carnival.

Robert Travis noted that the monies received will probably go to the general fund, and the Board can decide how the monies will be disbursed.

Mayor Covington noted that the Village has always supplemented families that could not afford Family Fling, and that the \$10,000.00 that was donated is used for that purpose.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez. and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion to Approve Carried

Ordinance Number O2012-17

F-2d: First Reading – Ordinance Authorizing The Execution Of An Agreement Between The Village Of University Park And Mallon And Associates, Inc. To Assist In Securing A Grocery Store.

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves this first reading of this ordinance.

Trustee Oscar Brown noted that he is pretty much in agreement with hiring a Consultant, but questioned the fee proposal of a 105% reimbursement stating that it seems that the company should be getting reimbursed at a 100% dollar for dollar rate rather than making money at our expense, and that It seems that the Village is paying them at a rate of \$ 300.00 an hour.

Mayor Covington referred Trustee Oscar Brown question to Mike Mallon the President of Mallon & Associates.

F-2d – continued:

Mr. Mallon responded stating that this is their standard processing fee for any administrative cost, and that the cost would take care of any out of pocket expense that they might occur.

Trustee Griffin questioned the success rate of the company.

Mr. Mallon noted that he has spent the last twenty five years in the grocery store industry, and that he has worked with Jewel and Dominick's, and has been involved in the development of close to 160 food and drug stores thru out the Midwest. He further stated that he was approached by the Village Of University Park to help bring a much needed grocery store to the community and that he would work with the Mayor and Board of Trustee as well as the community to bring in the right grocery store that will be successful in the community.

Trustee Payton noted that he would like to see a cap put on the \$ 300.00 rate the village is being charged; he questioned the type of incentive that the Village of University Park would have to offer to get a grocery into our town; and voiced his concern that 50,000 sq ft is too much space to offer, and suggested that we market a smaller space.

Mr. Mallon responded that 50,000sq ft for this community is probably to large to offer,

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion To Approve Carried.

F-2e: Resolution Authorizing the Execution Of A 2012 Proposal Application Package for A will County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves this resolution.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez. and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion To Approve Carried

Resolution Number R2012 – 17.

F-2f: Motion To Approve Expenditures Of Scholarship Funds

It was noted that inadvertently that item was not listed on the revised agenda; therefore the Board could not add it and take action. However, by consensus of the Board Manager Linear was authorized to proceed and have this action ratified at the next Board meeting.

F-2g: Bills Payable

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves the listing of the General Operating Expenses that the Village of University Park has incurred for the last two (2) weeks from April 25, 2012 to March 8, 2012. The following funds will be charged for these expenses:

General Operation Fund	\$ 107,573.76
Road & Bridge	\$ 16,028.70
Towncenter Operations	\$ 839.90
University Golf Club	\$ 39,616.30
Capital Project Fund	\$ 7,992.60
Payroll Fund	<u>\$ 475.61</u>
Total	\$ 172,526.87

Trustee Oscar Brown requested clarity on check number 77625 and check number 76631. Village Manager Linear responded that check number 77625 covers the insurance payment. Mayor Covington noted that check number 77631 was to South Suburban Housing Center for Annual Dinner Celebration.

Trustee Griffin requested clarity on check number 76628. Mayor Covington responded noting that it was for a conference for the Fire & Police Commissioners.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Motion To Approve Carried.

G. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michael Castillon addressed the Mayor and the Board of Trustees, He commented on the business that the Mayor and The Board of Trustees are working to bring to The Village of University Park, and that the 20 % discount that the University Golf Club offers to the University Park residents are admirable.

General Public Comments – continued:

Mr. Castillon commented on focusing on maintaining the community, and stated that he has not been able to make appointment with the Mayor and the Village Manager, and has not gotten a response to his calls; stated that he has concern about thing that has been happening to him at his residence; but feels that no one is listening to his concerns. He also stated that he would liked to see less fighting among our Board members, because people are watching them.

Patti Guinn addressed the Mayor and Board of Trustees she stated that Mayor and Board of Trustee have always been there for the residents of Thornwood House, she complimented the University Park Police and Fire Departments for the awesome job they are doing; she stated that Thornwood House has a tenant association that will assist Thornwood House Tenant with any problem or concerns that they may be having. Again, she complimented the Mayor and Board of Trustees on the great job they are doing.

Mrs. Marilyn Crockett, a resident of 900 Hickok greeted the Mayor and Board of Trustees, and voiced her concern that her street has not been re-paved since she has lived there, and asked to know when her street would be repaved.

Mrs. Star Lawson greeted the Mayor and the Board of Trustees, she complimented them on doing a great job. Mrs. Lawson voiced her concern, and cautioned the Mayor and Board of Trustees about going into an agreement with Mallon & Associates; she voiced her concern about the charges of Schiff Hardin, and again cautioned the Mayor and Board of Trustees before going into an agreement with them.

Ms. Chere`se Williams greeted the Mayor and Board of Trustee, and asked if there is enough funds in the budget to cover our roads, and the widening of Cicero Project.

H. BOARD CAUCUS/RESPONSES TO GENERAL PUBLIC

Mayor Covington suspended the meeting from 10:28 to 10:41 pm to allow the Board an opportunity to caucus. The Board returned and the following responses were given to general public comments.

Mayor Covington responded to Michael Castillon concerns by stating that, she and Village Manager has met with Mr. Castillon several times. Ms. Johnna Townsend confirmed the statement.

Mayor Covington thanked Ms. Patti Guinn for her comments to the Board.

Mayor Covington responded to Ms. Crockett concern informing her that the CBG is forth coming which would be used to help repair the roads.

Mr. Townsend noted that he will work to maintain the street until funding is received to make necessary repairs to the street.

Mayor Covington responded to Ms. Star Lawson by stating that Mallon & Associates is a company with a good reputation, and that we have received \$589,000.00 and hopefully the Village will use some of the mentioned funds to help fund development.

Mr. Jerry Townsend responded to Ms. Williams' question and explained that they will do their best to maintain the roads until Grant monies become available.

Mayor Covington asked if the Village of University Park is receiving funds from Motor Fuel Tax.

Mr. Linear responded that we still receive motor fuel tax funds, and noted that the amount a municipality receives from the State is based on population, which for this Village is about \$200,000.00 to \$225,000.00 yearly. However, the village will receive about a 17% increase from the State this year.

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

J. TRUSTEES' COMMENTS

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion that the Board move into executive session for purposes of personnel at 10: 52 p.m.

The Board returned from executive session and took the following action:

First, Second and Third Readings – Ordinance Adopting The Budget for all Corporate Purposes of the Village of University Park, Will and Cook Counties, Illinois, In Lieu of The Appropriation Ordinance For The Fiscal Year Commencing on The First Day of May, 2012, and Ending on the Thirtieth Day of April, 2013.

Trustee Oscar Brown moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion that the Board approves to table this item to a special meeting.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez and Larry Brown.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion To Table Carried.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion that the Board adjourns the regular meeting of the Board of Trustee at 11:16 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn Carried By Voice Vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Dorothy R. Jones, CMC
Village Clerk*

By:

Jacelia Kelly, Deputy Clerk