

**Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of The Board Of Trustees For The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties Illinois, Held Tuesday, September 24, 2013 At #90 Town Center Drive In The Village Of University Park**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

In the absence of Mayor Covington, Mayor Pro-tem Larry Brown called this regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:07 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Mayor:	Vivian E. Covington	Absent
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 Linear, Village Attorney Steward Diamond, Village Treasurer Devon Dilworth, Police Commander Deborah Wilson, Parks & Recreation Director Keely Childress, Finance Director Joe Jones, Golf Club General Manager/PGA Paul Blockoms, Public Works Director Ross Burgess, Deputy Fire Chief Brian Chellios, and Keely Childress for Village Clerk Dorothy R Jones.

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro-tem Brown led the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion that the Board approves reading of the minutes.

Ms. Childress noted that Village Clerk Dee Jones asked that the minutes be tabled until the next meeting.

Trustee Payton moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion to table the minutes.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: Mayor Covington.

***Motion to table approved.***

## **E. REPORTS OF ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

### **E-1a: Elected Officials Report**

Trustee Payton reported that the Human Services and Special Events Committee's next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, October 12, 2013 at 9 AM; The Education Advisory Committee's meeting is scheduled for Monday, at the University Golf Club at 7 PM; The Finance Committee is looking for new members.

Trustee Larry Brown reported that he will be working with State Representative Deluca in bringing a seminar on diabetes at the University Golf Club on Saturday, October 19, 2013.

### **E-1b: Village Manager's Report**

Village Manager Linear reported that the position for a Restaurant Manager at the Golf Club had been filled, and that Mr. James McCallun holds that position and welcomed him into the Village; he also welcomed Mr. James Bell as the Community Relations Manager; and reported that they are in the process of interviewing for the position of Chief Of Police.

### **E - 2: Mayor's Report**

#### **Proclamation – National Hispanic Heritage Month:**

Mayor pro tem Larry Brown read this proclamation proclaiming September 15, 2013 through October 15, 2013 as National Hispanic Heritage Month In The Village Of University Park.

Mayor Covington was absent, no report given.

### **E-3: Committee & Commission Reports**

Trustee Williams reported on her trip to Washington DC noting that the congressman spoke about gun violence and the ceremony she attended to unveil the statue of Nelson Mandela. She also reported that the GED classes started today, special thanks to the Trustees, Chere`se Williams, Director Burgess, Manager Linear and Johnna Townsend for their assistance, and she also reported that these GED classes are free to participants.

Ms. Chere`se Williams reported that GED testing would be held on Thursday, September 26, 2013 from 10 AM to 1 PM, and that they are looking for tutors to assist with math, science, and reading. Those interested parties should contact 534 – 4237.

#### **E-4: Reports of Other Officers**

Parks and Recreation Director Keely Childress reported on the playground at Fairway Estates, and reported on the success of the Animal Tour that was facilitated by Robert Alexander.

Mayor pro tem Larry Brown thanked Mrs. Childress for wearing many hats.

Trustee Roudez commented on the status of the Hickok Bridge.

#### **E-5: Attorney's Report**

No report at this time..

#### **E-6: Department Updates**

None

### **F. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Attorney Diamond reminded the public of the 30 minutes maximum allowed for public comments, and asked that they be mindful of the time limit. However, anyone who has signed in and not allowed to speak tonight would be 1<sup>st</sup> on the list for comments at the next meeting.

Ms. Sandra Heard, Monee Assessor and Village resident commented on the committee and commissions noting that the finance committee needs members and that the budget process starts in the fall.

Mr. Keith Rouse gave special thanks to the police and fire departments for the work that they do in the Village, and stated that he wants to become a member of the finance committee he also commented on the gun violence and stop the violence initiative initiated by Trustee Roudez.

Ms. Dayla Bailey, Board member of the University Park Lions reported that the cheerleaders have no place to practice and asked if the Village could assist them in getting into Coretta Scott King School.

Ms. Chere`se Williams reported on the Real Estate Market class that she attended while in Washington DC.

Mr. Raymond Jackson asked the status of the audits and TIF reports from 2008 to 2012.

## **G-1: UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **G-1a: First, Second and Third Readings - Ordinance Amending The Method By Which Persons Are Appointed To Boards And Commissions**

Trustee Roudez Brown moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves second and third readings of this ordinance.

#### **Motion To Amend Main Motion:**

Trustee Payton moved, Trustee Larry Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves to amend this ordinance to remove the wording "3 associate members", and change "when to where"

Ayes: Trustees Payton, and Larry Brown.  
Nays: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin, and Roudez.  
Absent: Mayor Covington.

**Motion to Approve Failed To Carry.**

#### **Roll Call On Main Motion:**

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin, and Roudez.  
Nays: Trustees Payton, and Larry Brown.  
Absent: Mayor Covington.

**Motion To Approve Carried**

**Ordinance Number O 2013 – 36.**

## **G-2: NEW BUSINESS**

### **G-2a: First, Second And Third Readings - Ordinance Making Certain Technical Changes To Chapter 260, "Boards And Commissions Generally."**

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

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

**Motion to Approve Carried**

**Ordinance Number O 2013 – 37**

**G-2b: First, Second and Third Readings - An Ordinance Proposing Approval Of A Redevelopment Plan And Project For, And The Designation Of The Town Center Project Area and The Adoption of tax Increment Financing, Convening A Joint Review Board And Scheduling A Public Hearing.**

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion that the Board approves 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of this ordinance.

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

***Motion to Approve Carried***

**Resolution Number R 2013 –38.**

**G-2c: First, Second and Third Readings - An Ordinance Adopting An Employer's Expense Tax And Making It Effective Immediately After Passage. (Version I)**

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion that the Board approves 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of this ordinance.

Trustee Larry Brown commented that he wants us to tax alcohol, gas and cigarettes, not companies.

Trustee Elizabeth Williams stated that she wants us to tax the company and not the residents.

Trustee Roudez commented that he wants this to work and supports it 100%.

**Motion To Amend The Main Motion:**

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Payton seconded a motion for 1<sup>st</sup> reading only on this item.

Ayes: Trustees Payton, and Larry Brown  
Nays: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin, and Roudez.  
Absent: Mayor Covington.

***Motion to Approve Failed To Carry.***

**Motion To Table:**

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Payton seconded a motion to table this item.

Trustee Payton stated that he would like a table this item so the Board can review the information that Trustee Oscar Brown has shared.

**Roll Call On Motion To Table:**

Ayes: Trustees Payton, and Larry Brown  
Nays: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin, and Roudez.  
Absent: Mayor Covington.

***Motion to Table Failed To Carry.***

**Roll Call On Main Motion:**

Ayes: Trustees Payton, and Larry Brown  
Nays: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin, and Roudez.  
Absent: Mayor Covington.

***Motion Failed To Carry.***

**G-2d: First, Second and Third Readings - An Ordinance Adopting An  
Employer's Tax. (Version 2)**

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion that the Board approves 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of this ordinance as amended.

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Griffin, and Roudez.  
Nays: Trustee Payton.  
Absent: Mayor Covington.  
Abstained: Trustee Larry Brown.

***Motion to Approve Carried***

**Ordinance Number O 2013 – 39.**

**G-2e: First, Second and Third Readings - An Ordinance Renewing The  
Villages Lease For Computers with Dell Computers**

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion that the Board approves 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of this ordinance.

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

***Motion to Approve Carried***

**Ordinance Number O 2013 – 40.**

**G-2f: First, Second and Third Readings - An Ordinance Authorizing The Purchase Of New Garage Doors for the Reigel Barn.**

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion that the Board approves 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of this ordinance.

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

**Motion to Approve Carried**

**Ordinance Number O 2013 – 41.**

**G-2g: Motion To Authorize Intervention In The Aqua Petition For Additional Certification.**

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion to table this item.

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

**Motion to Table Carried.**

**G-2h: Bills Payable**

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves the listing of the General Operating Expenses that the Village of University Park as incurred for the last two (2) weeks from September 11, 2013 to September 24, 2013. The following funds will be charged for these expenses:

General Operation Fund	\$236,568.77
Road & Bridge Fund	\$29.98
Town Center	\$424.93
Golf Course Fund	\$60,213.80
Debt Service - 2002 Bonds	<u>\$465.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$297,702.48</b>

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

**Motion To Approve Carried.**

## **H. BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND MANAGER COMMENTS**

## **I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

## **J. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

## **K. ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board adjourns the regular meeting of the Board of Trustee at 9:24 PM.

***Motion to Adjourn Carried By Voice Vote - Trustee Roudez and Mayor Covington absent.***

*Respectfully Submitted,*

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*Dorothy R. Jones, CMC, RMC  
Village Clerk*

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