

Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of The Board Of Trustees For The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties Illinois, Held Tuesday, September 9, 2014 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 7:10 p.m.

Prior to the roll call it was noted that Trustee Elizabeth Williams had requested to attend the meeting electronically. Mayor Covington asked if there were any objections; there were no objections noted, so Deputy Clerk Kelly reached Trustee Williams by phone, and connected her to the meeting.

B. ROLL CALL

Mayor:	Vivian E. Covington	Present
Trustees:	Elizabeth Williams	Present (electronically)
	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 Diamond, Police Chief Edward Bradley, Parks & Recreation Director Keely Childress, Deputy Fire Chief Brain Chellios, Finance Director Joe Jones, and Deputy Clerk Jacelia Kelly.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Covington led the audience in the Pledge Of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 26, 2014.

Ayes: Trustees Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez, Larry Brown, Williams (electronically), and Mayor Covington

Nays: None

Absent: None.

Motion To Approve Carried:

Motion To Amend Agenda Placement:

Trustees Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves to move items G-1a, G-2a, G-2b, and G-2c up on the agenda, after the approval of the minutes.

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

Motion To Approve Carried:

G-1: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

G-1a: Third Reading – An Ordinance Approving the Execution Of A Contract With Creative Hospitality Associates.

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves this ordinance.

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

Motion To Approve Carried.

Ordinance Number O2014-40

G-2: NEW BUSINESS

G-2a: First, Second and Third Readings – An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. O2014-10, An Ordinance Amending The Village Code Relating to the Plan Commission.

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board tables this ordinance.

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

Motion To Table Approved.

G-2b: First, Second and Third Readings – Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. O2001-25, Ordinance Amending Chapter 271 of The Administration Code Entitled “Board Of Fire And Police Commissioners.”

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

Ayes: Trustees Williams, Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez, Larry Brown, William (electronically) and Mayor Covington.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion To Approve Carried.

Ordinance Number O 2014-41

G-2c: Resolution Providing Support For An Applicant For a Permit Form the State To Operate Either A Cultivation Center or a Dispensary In The Village of University Park.

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board tables this Resolution.

Ayes: Trustees Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez, Larry Brown, William (electronically) and Mayor Covington.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion To Table Approved.

E. REPORTS OF ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICIALS

No reports given.

E-1: Village Manager’s Report

Manager Linear reported that he has been completing work with JMA the architects for the Technical Resource Center to revise the specs. The project is being rebid to reduce the scope and cost of the project. Manager Linear reported that the University Parkway reconstruction project continues with Phase I reconstruction from Central to Cicero at an estimated cost of \$5.1million is moving forward as scheduled. After approximately 18 months of engineering and Right Of Way acquisition is finished, and IDOT has developed the following schedule: Bid letting was held on 6-13-14 the contract will be awarded to Gallagher asphalt 8-13-14, construction schedule is 10-1-14 to 11-1-15.

Manager Linear reported that a substantial amount of TIF funds have been deposited into the Village's Special Tax Allocation Fund and we expect to have completed disbursing these funds to the businesses during the month of September. He also reported that the auditors have begun the field work for the FY 2011 financial statement audit. The auditors have committed to begin the FY 2012 audit at the conclusion of the current project.

E-2: Mayor's Report

Mayor Covington reported that she attended leadership class held at Prairie State College, and that she is in talks with IDOT and they will be bringing a Job training program to University Park, further information will be given out at a later date. She reported that she attended the grand opening of the new dorms at Governors State University and helped to welcome new undergrad students. Governors State is expanding they have opened a new Technical Science wing that will service the GSU students. Mayor Covington reported that she attended HR training in Indiana, and noted that the Village is in need of an HR person.

E-3: Committee & Commission Reports

None

E-4: Reports of Other Officers

None

E-5: Department Updates

None

F. GENERAL PUBLIC

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

Ms. Sandra Heard greeted the Board and announced the finance committee meeting will be held on September 17, 2014. Ms. Heard reported that the assessor's office will have a workshop on September 18, 2014.

Ms. Paula Wilson greeted the Board and voiced her concern regarding the Board members showing disrespect to one another.

Ms. Laverne Williams greeted the Board and questioned how the Village is tracking the number of rented homes in the Village.

Ms. Tracey Cross greeted the Board and voiced her concerned about the number of break-ins that's been happening in the Village.

Ms. Debra Stroud greeted the Board and gave a update regarding the Senior Fun day.

G-2d: Discussion – Parking Regulations

The Board discussed the current parking regulations, and options for possibly changing or eliminating the no parking ban between 2 am – 6 am on most village streets.

G-2e. 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 August 27, 2014 to September 9, 2014. The following funds will be charged for these expenses:

General Operation Fund	\$ 154,988.84
MB Financial Special Purpose	\$ 43,419.94
Road & Bridge	\$ 2,312.55
Golf Course	\$ 48,672.02
Total	\$ 249,393.35

Trustee Griffin questioned check numbers 82895, 82937, and 82906.

The Finance Director responded on check number 82895 stating that it was the final payment for the park installation for Green Up; and 82937 is payment for Lights, and Check number 82906 is for payment of Employee's dental insurance.

Ayes: Trustee Oscar Brown, Payton, Griffin, Roudez, Larry Brown and Mayor Covington.

Nays: None.

Absent: Trustee Williams.

Motion to approve carried.

H. BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND MANAGER COMMENTS

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion to move into Executive session for discussion of contract negotiation at 9:57 p.m.

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

Motion To Approve Carried.

The Board returned from executive session at 11:01 PM and noted that the contract between the Village and the Firefighters Union would be on the next regular Village Board meeting agenda.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Oscar Brown moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion that the Board adjourns the regular meeting of the Board of Trustee at 11:02 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn Carried By Unanimous Voice Vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

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

By: Jacelia Kelly, Deputy Clerk