

Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of The Board Of Trustees For The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties Illinois, Held Tuesday, August 2, 2016 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 7:02 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

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

Also present were Acting Village Manager Johnna Townsend, Village Attorney Felicia Frazier, Village Prosecutor Gary Mueller, Public Works Director Gary Richardson, Police Chief John Pate, Parks & Recreation Director Keely Childress, Treasurer Devon Dilworth, Fire Department Lieutenants Jeff Duhoski and Shawn Richards, 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. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion to approve minutes of the regular meeting held June 14, and June 28, 2016.

Mayor Covington noted that the Board had not had an opportunity to review the minutes, and asked if a table would be in order.

Motion To Table:

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Wilson seconded a motion to table minutes of June 14, and June 28, 2016.

Ayes: Trustees Larry Brown, Wilson, Payton, Roudez, Oscar Brown and Mayor Covington.

Nays: Trustee Griffin.
Absent: None.

Motion To Table Approved.

E: GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Covington informed the public that if a response to their concerns is needed, they would be done within the next two weeks, and not necessarily at the Board meeting.

Mrs. Debra Taylor gave thanks to Police Chief Pate for addressing her concerns relating to fireworks within the Village. She stated that she would like to see the ordinance that prohibits use of fireworks enforced; she commended Public Works Director Richardson and the department for taking care of cleaning the Village; she stated that she would like to receive information on steps that are being taken and discussed in the strategic planning retreats. Mrs. Taylor commented on the reduction of staff, and salary reduction of some exempt employees, and asked if there was a reduction in salary of the elected officials.

Ms. Gina Williams greeted the Mayor and Board and gave a Kudo to Public Works Director Richardson for his efforts in cleaning up the Village; thanks to James Young and the University Park library for the reading program; she stated she was not aware of the change of dates for the regular meetings of the Board. She further stated that she wants a status of the Village and its employees, and asked to know what Acting Village Manager Johnna Townsend has done.

F-1: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F-1a: Third Readings - An Ordinance To Authorize The Fire Department To Pay For The Purchase Of (1) 2016 E-One Rescue Pumper/Fire Engine Through The Fire Department EMS Fund With Any Shortfall Paid Out Of General Funds Of The Village

Trustee Roudez moved and Trustee Griffin seconded the motion to approve third reading of this ordinance.

Mayor Covington announced that the fire department had received a three hundred and Twenty-one thousand dollars grant.

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

Nays: Trustee Wilson.

Absent: None.

Motion To Approve carried

Ordinance Number O2016 – 20.

F-2: NEW BUSINESS

F-2a: First, Second, and Third Readings – An Ordinance Authorizing The Acquisition Of One (1) 2016 E-One Rescue Pumper For The Fire Department

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion to approve this ordinance.

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

Motion To Approve carried

Ordinance Number O2016 – 21.

F-2b: First, Second and Third Readings - An Ordinance Authorizing The Financing and Acquisition of Public Works Vehicle and Equipment

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion to approve this ordinance.

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

Motion To Approve carried

Ordinance Number O2016 – 22.

F-2c: First, Second and Third Readings - An Ordinance Amending Section 232-02 Of The University Park Code Of Ordinances Entitled Division Of Fire.

Trustee Payton moved, Trustee Larry Brown seconded a motion to approve this ordinance.

A discussion was had, and questions were asked by the Board relating to the purpose and need of this ordinance change.

Motion to Table:

Trustee Payton moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion to table this item is indefinitely.

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

Motion To Table Indefinitely Approved.

F-2d: First, Second and Third Readings - An Ordinance Of The Village Of University Park, Cook County, Illinois Amending The Boundaries Of The Will-Cook Enterprise Zone

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

Motion To Approve carried

Ordinance Number O2016 – 23.

F-2e: First, Second and Third Readings - An Ordinance Establishing A Tax Upon The Use And Privilege Of Renting A Motel Or Hotel Room In The Village Of University Park, Counties Of Cook And Will, And State Of Illinois, And Providing Penalties For The Violation Thereof.

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion to approve this ordinance.

A discussion was had, and questions were asked by the Board relating to changes that need to be addressed before this ordinance is approved.

Motion To Amend to First Reading:

Trustee Payton moved, Trustee Wilson seconded a motion to amend this ordinance to first reading.

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

Motion To Approve 1st Reading Carried.

F-2f: Resolution Authorizing Assignment And Assumption Of Development Agreement between University Crossing, LLC and DPIF IL 3 University Park LLC

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Griffin seconded a motion to approve this resolution.

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

Motion To Approve Carried

Resolution Number R2016 - 24.

H. REPORTS OF MAYOR, TRUSTEES, CLERK, MANAGER, APPOINTED OFFICIALS, and COMMITTEES

H-1: Committees And Commissions Reports:

Mr. Derrick Jones, Human Services and Special Events Committee member reported that he is working with a team on the fiftieth anniversary of the Village of University Park, and that he would like to do a fund raiser on September 10, 2016 to help defray the cost of putting on that big event.

H-2: Appointed Officials

Lieutenant Jeff Duhoski reported that anyone in need of blood pressure testing or diabetes testing to come to the fire Department, because they do this testing for free, he is thankful for the Grants that they have been able to secure for these type of services for our resident. He expounded on a grant in the amount of three hundred forty-two thousand dollars to help with staffing level and cut out over time. He thanked Congresswoman Kelly and her assistant for securing that grant.

Village Treasurer Dilworth asked to know the delay in passing a revised treasurer's ordinance.

Public Works Director Richardson thanked the staff of public works for working seven days a week with two days as volunteer services to the Village at no cost. He also noted that their department is now wearing bright orange.

Parks and Recreation Director Childress reported on a visit to Village Hall, the fire department, and the Police Department that they had an opportunity to take the day campers on and thanked the department heads for allowing them that opportunity. She gave special thanks to Officer Sockwell for the reassuring way that he dealt with a seven year old student who sees domestic violence in his home. She reminded everyone that school starts on September 6th and reminded them to be careful when driving.

H-3: Report of Trustees

Trustee Roudez stated that the Mayor needs to set a date for a Town Hall meeting.

Trustee Oscar Brown thanked all those who came out to help clean up Riegel Farm, and stated that this will be an ongoing process.

Trustee Griffin reported that the road project is going well, work is now being done on Crawford, and should be completed in November.

Mayor Covington responded to Trustee Roudez and stated that there are plans for a Town Hall meeting in September, and that she is working with Acting Manager Townsend to finalize.

H-4: Village Manager Report:

Acting Village Manager Townsend reported that Chapter 25 would be giving away back to school supplies, food and games for our kids on August 27 in the parking lot to help our Village. She noted that everything is free, and at no cost to the Village.

H-5: Mayor's Report:

Mayor Covington reported that First Baptist Church of University Park will be holding its Come-Unity Fest on August 6th, and that the PACE Bus no longer goes to Orland Shopping Center.

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

None.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustee at 8:13 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

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