

***Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of The Board Of Trustees
For The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties
Illinois, Held Tuesday, July 14, 2015 At #90 Town Center
Drive In The Village Of University Park***

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Covington called this regular meeting of the of Board of Trustees to order at 7:08 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 Village Manager Bola Delano, Attorney Gina Harrison, Village Treasurer Devon Dilworth, Finance Director Sharon Floyd, Acting Police Chief Dan Murphy, Parks & Recreation Director Keely Childress, Golf Course General Manager/PGA Pro Paul Blockoms, Deputy Fire Chief Brain Chellios, Public Works Manager Jerry Hunt, and Village Clerk Dorothy R. Jones.

Pilgrimage Church Pastor Joe Jamison offered prayer for the community.

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 Griffin moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the BOT held Tuesday, June 23, 2015.

Trustee Wilson noted a correction to the minutes that had been made, and Mayor Covington stated that she had attended the meeting celebrating Minister Louis Farrakhan.

Roll call on The Minutes:

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

Motion To Approve Carried.

E: GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Laverne Williams asked for an update on the I-57 Interchange opening.

Trustee Griffin responded that the I-57 Interchange is scheduled to open in October, 2015.

Mrs. Vanessa Lawson congratulated the University Park Teams who won the championship; she commented on the STEM Program at Governors State University Math Lab for 7th and 8th graders. She also commented that these are difficult times for baseball this year in the Village, stating that the fields and concession stands were not ready on time, that the funds to assist are frozen, and she asked that the Village make an investment in our youth.

Mayor Covington asked for assistance in securing the Football Banners throughout the Village.

Ms. Sandra Heard commented that the finance committee would not meet in July, and that the next meeting would be held on August 19, 2015 at #90 Town Center at 7:00 pm, and they are requesting the attendance of the Village Board for the 1st budget review. She also announced that the Will County Assessor would be in her office at #46 Town Center Drive on August 13, 2015 for information on tax assessment and other items of interest.

UPYAA Coach thanked Mayor Covington, Trustees and community for their support of the baseball programs.

Coach Quentin Platt introduced the coaches and players of the University Park Rangers Baseball Team who represented well, and won the championship.

Coach Annalise Santiago commended the players, and stated that the team really showed off this season.

F-1: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F-1a: Resolution Celebrating And Honoring Former Fire Chief Charles "Chuck" Exner For His Thirty (30) Years Of Service (1985-2015) On His Retirement

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

Mayor Covington personally thanked Chief Exner for his life-saving efforts of her son when he was involved in an accident, and professionally for his many years of service to this community.

Trustee Larry Brown read the resolution.

After a standing ovation for Chief Exner, he made comments and thanked the community for being such a vital part in his journey from Fire Cadet to that of Fire Chief; he thanked the members of the Fire Department, Police Department, and all the Departments and the Mayor, Board and Staff for their support that allowed him to work 30 years and retire from this Village. Chief Exner gave a brief synopsis of his tenure at the Village of University Park.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion To Approve Carried

Resolution Number R2015-15.

F-2: NEW BUSINESS

Motion to Table:

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion to table all items on the agenda under new business, with the exception of Bills Payable, and move into an executive session.

Those items are:

- a. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Readings – An Ordinance Amending Section 260-06 Of Chapter 260, Of Title Eight, Of Part Two Of The Codified Ordinances Of The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties, Illinois, Appointments To Boards And Commissions
- b. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Readings – An Ordinance Amending Part Two, Title Eight, Of The Codified Ordinances Of The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties, Illinois, Pertaining To Various Boards And Commissions

- c. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Readings – An Ordinance Accepting Currie Motors’ Proposal For Leasing Of A 2016 Ford Escape S
- d. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Readings – An Ordinance Of The Village Of University Park, Cook And Will Counties, Illinois Establishing A Municipal Gas Use Tax And Amending Chapter 894 Of The Codified Ordinances Of The Village Of University Park To Effectuate Same
- e. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Readings – An Ordinance Of The Village Of University Park, Cook And Will Counties, Illinois, Authorizing An Agreement By And Between The Village Of University Park And Northern Illinois Gas Company D/B/A Nicor Gas Company
- f. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Readings – An Ordinance Amending Section 1232-02 (D)(4) Of Chapter 1232 Of Title Six Of Part Twelve Of The Codified Ordinances Of The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties, Illinois, Increasing The Size Of Storage Sheds
- g. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Readings – An Ordinance Amending Section 1442-04 Of Chapter 1442 Of Title Four Of Part Fourteen Of The Codified Ordinances Of The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties, Illinois, Pertaining To License Fees And Bonds Of Contractors
- h. Resolution Authorizing The Submission Of A Binding Proposal For The Operation Of A Village Post Office
- i. Appointments
- k. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Readings – An Ordinance Of The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties, Illinois Approving A Facility Use And Lease Agreement By And Between The Village Of University Park And U.S. Investigations And Protection Agency/U.S. Fugitive Enforcement Bureau

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

Motion To Table Carried.

F-2j: Bills Payable

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Payton seconded a motion to approve a listing of general operating funds for the Village of University Park from June 14, 2015 to July 14, 2015. The following is a list of funds charged for those expenses.

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

H-1: Mayor's Report:

Mayor Covington reported on events and meetings she has attended since the last meeting including an event for former resident and former National Football League Player Keith Rucker who was honored in Matteson this past Friday. She stated that she presented him with a proclamation for his contributions to our youth through his foundation. The proclamation was read by Trustee Payton.

Mayor Covington also reported that transparency is very important to her, and that staff is working to enhance our alcohol and drug policies; she complimented Maurice Brown, and noted that she had a meeting relating to the U.S. Investigative and Protective Agency, and attended a meeting in Richton Park on Hillary's Camp, and reported that our MFT tax is in jeopardy under the new Governor.

Village Manager Delano reported that our budget for MFT funding is \$177,051.00 however, as of July we had only received \$25,000.00 which will affect our general fund.

Village Trustees and Village Clerk

Trustee Oscar Brown apologized to the public for his absence over the last few meetings, noting that he was involved in an accident where the driver of a motorcycle was killed.

Trustee Griffin reported that the I-57 Interchange is on schedule to open in October.

Village Manager's Report

Village Manager Delano reported that interviews for the position of Police Chief will begin July 21st; they are in the 2nd stage and have 10 candidates for consideration; they have hired three police officers, and are in the process of advertising for the position of Executive Secretary/Deputy Clerk, Golf Club Chef and Wait Staff. Manager Delano gave a list of dates and events scheduled, which includes: State of the Village on August 8th, Back to School Event August 15th, Board Retreat August 29th, and training for the Plan Commissioners.

G. Executive Session

Trustee Griffin moved, Trustee Roudez seconded a motion to move into executive session for purposes of personnel and litigation at 8:12 p.m.

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

Motion To Approve Carried.

The Board returned from executive session, with nothing to report out at 9:54 p.m.

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

None.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Payton moved, Trustee Wilson seconded a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustee at 9:55 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn Carried By Unanimous Voice Vote with Trustees Griffin, Roudez, and Oscar Brown absent.

Respectfully Submitted,

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