

Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of The Board Of Trustees For The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties Illinois, Held Tuesday, October 27, 2009 At #90 Town Center Drive, In The Village Of University Park.

A. CALL TO ORDER

In the absence of Mayor McCowan, Trustee Roudez called this regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 8:11 p.m.

Appointment of Mayor Pro-tem

Trustee McGuire moved, Trustee Covington seconded a motion to elect Trustee Roudez as Mayor Pro-Tem for this meeting, in the absence of Mayor McCowan.

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, Covington, Griffin, and Larry Brown
Nays: None.
Absent: Mayor McCowan.

Motion to Approve carried.

B. ROLL CALL

Mayor:	Alvin R. McCowan	Absent
Trustees:	Sharon A. McGuire	Present
	Oscar H. Brown, Jr.	Present
	Vivian E. Covington	Present
	Keith Griffin	Present
	Joseph E. Roudez, III	Present
	Larry B. Brown	Present

Also present were Village Attorney Forest Miles, Interim Village Manager David Sevier, Information Technology Director Deryl Bolton, Village Treasurer James Ellis, Police Chief Mel Easley, Executive Liaison Johnna Townsend, Fire Chief Chuck Exner, Public Works Director Jerry Townsend, Director of Economic & Community Development Kimberly Porter, Parks & Recreations Program Supervisor Keely Lewis-Childress, Golf Club Manager Paul Blockoms, Cable Studio Manager Christel Allen, and Village Deputy Clerk Kellye Kidd.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro-Tem Roudez led the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

D. READING OF MINUTES

Trustee Covington moved, Trustee Larry Brown seconded a motion that the Board postpone definitely until November 10, 2009 reading of minutes of regular meeting of October 13, 2009 and special meeting of October 17, 2009.

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, Covington, Griffin, and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: Mayor McCowan.

Motion to postpone carried.

E. NON-DISCUSSION AGENDA

E-1: Village Manager's Report

Interim Village Manager Sevier reported that the Chicago Southland Economic Development Corporation held their summit at Governors State University for the first time Friday, October 23, 2009. Over 200 attended, where we used the opportunity to showcase the Village and the current economic conditions of world were discussed.

Feedback for the FY 2010-11 budget and preparation of the December levee was requested from the Board. A list of suggested projects and budget proposals are recommended to be received by November 1, 2009 to assure the Finance Committee time to review and discuss the preliminary budget. This is the first step of preparing the FY 2010-11 budgets.

Manager Sevier announced that Fire Chief Exner has been appointed the president of MABAS 27 Fire Chiefs Association, which oversees 16 surrounding communities.

Manager Sevier proceeded to inform the Board and residents of the Village's financial status. He then asked Atty. Miles to give an update on the Rosedale Subdivision and Will Center Road.

Atty. Miles reported the status of the street repair schedule for the Rosedale Subdivision and the Will Center Road inter-governmental agreement that will be presented to the Board at the next Board Meeting.

Trustee Covington requested the email regarding the inter-governmental agreement that was forwarded to Manager Sevier and the status of the Rosedale subdivision sign facing University Parkway.

Manager Sevier said he will forward the email to Trustee Covington and Atty. Miles will follow-up with the developer regarding the subdivision sign.

E-1: Manager's Report - continued:

Trustee Oscar Brown asked Manager Sevier if the Towncenter repairs were added to the FY 2010-11 budget, the status of the street repair on Regent Rd., and the repair status of Montalbano subdivision.

Manager Sevier answered that the Towncenter repairs can be added to the FY2010-11 budget if the Board agrees, the majority of the vacant lots within the Montalbano subdivision have been trimmed, Manager Sevier asked to be invited to the next residential subdivision meeting to address any other concerns and to his knowledge, Montalbano is still servicing the area. Atty. Miles answered that Regent Rd. has not been dedicated to the Village as of yet, but he will report on the status at the next meeting.

Trustee McGuire commended Director Kim Porter on her presentation at the Chicago Southland Economic Development Corporation Summit. She then asked Director Porter to elaborate on the responsibility of the municipality when businesses are interested in locating within the Village.

Director Porter affirmed that the Village should be "business-friendly". Incentives will attract businesses when other demographic objectives cannot be met; particularly during these economically challenged times.

Trustee Larry Brown inquired about the status of City Scape and timing.

Director Porter informed that she received a call from the developer earlier in the week who mentioned that a sell is nearing, but it is still under bank's possession. With all the parameters that need to be met, a conclusion cannot be determined.

Trustee Covington also commended Director Porter on her presentation at the Summit. Trustee Covington asked Atty. Miles for an update on the closing of land sold.

Atty. Miles is hopeful that the authorization of the deed will be received in time of the next meeting. The sale has not been finalized.

Trustee Griffin asked Manager Sevier about the list of probable projects for the golf course and its funding.

Manager Sevier answered that the list is a "wish list" that was shared with legislatures.

E-2: Mayor's Report

Mayor Pro Tem Roudez reminded the public of the upcoming Town Hall Meeting Saturday, November 7, 2009 at Crete-Monee Middle School from 9:30 am to 12 noon. He also thanked everyone who signed the petition supporting the continuance of Pace Bus 346 Saturday schedule started by resident Jamal Powell.

E-2a: Proclamation Designating Halloween Saturday, October 31, 2009 As Trick or Treat Day

Trustee Covington moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves this proclamation.

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, Covington Griffin, and Larry Brown
Nays: None.
Absent: Mayor McCowan.

Motion To Approve Carried.

E-3a: Committee & Commissions Reports

Trustee McGuire reported that she discussed her attendance at the Restore of Justice for School seminar, Thursday, October 22nd with Interim Village Manager Sevier, Police Chief Easley and Director Graham. She is also enthusiastic about bringing a division of JEWELS for children ages 10-17 to the Village with the assistance of Program Supervisor Keely Childress.

Trustee Covington reminded the public of the October Fest held at 90 Towncenter, Wednesday, October 28, 2009 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. and the 1st Annual Coat Drive. The kick-off will be at the Town Hall Meeting, Saturday, November 7th. Coats can be dropped off during business hours at Village Hall and Parks & Recreation. Coats will be disbursed to 125 needy families Saturday, November 21. Information flyers will be mailed.

E-4a: Reports Of Other Officers

GM Golf Pro Blockoms announced the Turkey Shoot aimed at raising money to provide Thanksgiving dinner for needy families within Monee Township and those affiliated with the University Park churches. The tickets are \$25 each and available for sale at the University Golf Club and Conference Center. The dinners will be distributed Tuesday, November 24, 2009.

Cable Studio Manager Christel Allen reported that all covered events, including the 100 Men Association meeting held October 31st with special guest Congressman Bobby Rush, is available for sale at the cable studio for \$10 each.

Reports Of Other Officers –Continued:

Public Works Director Townsend stated that his staff will complete first responder training and will be certified by the end of January 2010. He also informed the Board and public of the 2006 law mandating the update of manual traffic controls by February 2012.

Trustee Covington asked Director Townsend about the lights at Craig Park. Director Townsend reported that the light needs updating and repair. He is searching for a grant to fund the updating of several lights in the Village. Economic and Community Development Director Porter also reported the citations issued to the owner of Dynasty Apartments for the absence of parking lot lighting.

Trustee Griffin asked Director Townsend if the salt allocation was complete. Director Townsend replied that he has allocated 1900 tons of salt for the winter season.

Trustees Covington and McGuire asked Director Townsend to explain how the sweeper works with picking up leaves and the lights on Farmview Road. Director Townsend explained that the Village's sweeper has a vacuum that will pick up small amounts of leaves, but it cannot handle stacks of leaves or wet heavy leaves. He asked the public for their help in reporting neighbors that rack leaves into the street to Code Enforcement. This negligence will cause street drains to be clogged and damage the street sweeper. Economic and Community Development Director Porter requested residents to utilize the newly renovated website to report violations.

Chief Exner announced the H1N1 vaccinations in Will County as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
11/4	Hickory Creek Middle School 22150 116 th Ave., Frankfort
11/9	Lockport East High School 1333 E. 7 th St., Lockport
11/10	Crete-Monee High School 1515 W. Exchange St., Crete
11/16	Plainfield Central High School 24120 W. Fort Beggs Dr., Plainfield
11/21	Joliet Central High School 201 E. Jefferson St., Joliet
11/24	Brooks Middle School 350 Blair Ln., Bolingbrook
11/30	Lockport East High School 1333 E. 7 th St., Lockport

F. DISCUSSION AGENDA

F-1: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F-1a: Second Reading – Ordinance Accepting The Dedication Of Certain Common Areas As Designed On The Plat(s) Of The Rosedale Subdivision

Trustee McGuire moved, Trustee Larry Brown seconded a motion that the Board approves the second reading.

Trustee Covington asked if the Rosedale residents have read and agreed with the dedication. She also wants the street names detailed in the dedication

Atty. Miles stated that there it is not necessary for the residents to read or agree to the dedication. These items are currently on the dedicated plat, the special service area was determined unnecessary because the cost is relatively small. This is reading will be to accept these areas into the Village. He will be refining the dedication further. Street name detailing would be another process

Trustee Larry Brown wants reassurance that the developer will complete all mandated items, such as the storm water drainage. He questioned if the school district needed to be notified of the dedication

Atty. Miles has been communicating with the developer and all mandates will be met before acceptance. Specifically, the storm water drainage has already been addressed with emphasis on the road repair. Atty. Miles also answered that the school district does not need to be notified.

Trustee Oscar Brown inquired if an exhibit C can be added detailing the dedication.

Atty. Miles agreed to furnish an exhibit with specificity before the final reading.

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, Covington, Griffin and Larry Brown.
Nays: None
Absent: Mayor McCowan.

Motion To Approve Second Reading Carried.

F-2a: Resolution Approving A Preliminary Plat Of Subdivision For University Village At Thorn Creek Station [Being A Subdivision Of Part Of Section 3 Township 34 North, Range 13 East Of The Third Principal Meridian, University Park, Will County, Illinois, Pin: 14-03-300-013 and Pin: 14-03-400-003]

Trustee Covington moved, Trustee McGuire seconded a motion that the Board approves this resolution.

Atty. Miles explained the need to make revisions to accommodate the changes requested by Director Porter. This is not a final plat. The final plat will be presented to the Board for consideration.

Trustee Covington requested Director Porter to discuss the changes she requested.

Director Porter first request that the Board consider taking action on item F-2b before F-2a. She suggests that the vote to rezone be considered prior to a vote to subdivide.

Trustee Oscar Brown asked the reason for the zoning.

Director Porter stated it allows commercial sales within the planned development. This is the next phase.

Trustee Larry Brown moved, Trustee Covington seconded a motion to read F-2b followed by F-2a.

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, Covington, Griffin and Larry Brown.

Nays: None.

Absent: Mayor McCowan.

Motion to reverse order of item F-2a and F-2b carried.

F-2b: First Reading – Ordinance Approving A Zoning Map Amendment To Rezone The Southern Portion Of A Total Tract Consisting Of 78.6 Acres (+/-) Generally Located At The Northeast Corner of Governors Highway And University Parkway From B2 To R4 Multiple-Family Residence District In Connection With The Proposed Thorn Creek Station Subdivision [Being A Subdivision Of Part Of Section 3 In Township 34 North, Range 13 East Of The Third Principal Meridian, University Park, Will County, Illinois, Pin: 14-03-300-013 and 14-03-400-003]

Trustee Covington moved, Trustee McGuire seconded a motion that the Board approves this first reading.

Roll Call On F-2b:

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, Covington, Griffin and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: Mayor McCowan.

Motion To Approve First Reading Carried.

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Trustee Covington moved, Trustee McGuire seconded a motion that the Board approves this first reading.

Trustee Oscar Brown asked the status of the 35 improvements previously given. Director Porter answered that the improvements will be made when the final plat is presented. This is only a preliminary.

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, Covington, Griffin and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: Mayor McCowan.

Motion To Approve Carried. Resolution Number 2009-33P

F-2c: Resolution Recognizing Governors State University's 40th Anniversary

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

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, Covington, Griffin and Larry Brown.
Nays: None.
Absent: Mayor McCowan.

Motion To Approve Resolution Carried. Resolution 2009-34

F-2d: Motion To Approve Renewal Of The Village's Health Insurance Plan With BlueCross BlueShield Of Illinois

Trustee Covington moved, Trustee McGuire seconded a motion that the Board approves this renewal.

Trustee Griffin asked about the other bids to cut cost further.

F-2d – continued:

Manager Sevier replied that bids were received from three other providers and the presented plan is the best priced.

Trustee Covington asked if all employees were paying into the insurance plan. Manager Sevier responded, yes.

Trustee Oscar Brown wanted to see the actual dollar savings and inquired why the motion was not presented in resolution form.

Manager Sevier referred him to the last page of the document for the actual savings in comparison to last year and he also responded that this is the normal process for Board consideration.

Trustee McGuire gave explanations of the increase premium costs based on a seminar she previously attended. This seminar was recorded by the cable studio and she implored everyone to view this informative meeting on health care costs.

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, Covington, Griffin and Larry Brown.

Nays: None.

Absent: Mayor McCowan.

Motion to Approve Carried.

F-2e: Bills Payable

Trustee Covington moved, Trustee McGuire 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 October 14, 2009 to October 27, 2009 in the following funds:

General Operation Fund	\$127,063.68
Road and Bridge Fund	12,310.67
Towncenter Operations	3,594.19
University Golf Club	45,246.88
Capital Project Fund	30,821.46
TIF II – Industrial Park Fund	50,000.00
TIF V – Dralle Industrial Fund	<u>12,227.00</u>
Total	\$281,263.88

Trustee Covington moved, Trustee McGuire seconded a motion that the Board approves bills payable.

Trustee Oscar Brown asked about the payment to Ford Motor Credit and its different funding sources, Advocate Health and Callaway Golf.

Bills Payable Continued:

Manager Sevier explained the funding sources, the Advocate Health costs are from the testing of new hires for the police department, and the Callaway Golf expenses are for special order merchandise paid in advance from golfers.

Trustee Larry Brown questioned if the golf club entertainment nights were profitable and he wanted to know the likelihood of additional residential hiring with the increased business with Reinhart.

Manager Sevier replied there are some profitable Jazz nights after two years and Blues nights are a new venue that has not turned a profit yet. The increased business with Reinhart does aid in their success which helps the community. Reinhart is also competitively priced. We will receive a report mid-March 2010 from Reinhart regarding their TIF obligations with the Village, this report will identify the number of University Park residents on staff.

Trustee Covington wanted clarification about JMA Architects.

Manager Sevier answered that the JMA costs are affiliated with the fire station renovation.

Trustee Griffin wanted an explanation for Civic Plus cost and what is Information Technology's role for the website. He wanted to know why the BlueCross BlueShield payment was approved on the last bills payable, but the check did not appear until the current bills payable and he wanted to know what Glacial Energy provided.

Manager Sevier explained the current Civic Plus cost covers the monthly hosting fee from October 2009 – April 2010. Information Technology cannot host the website; they are responsible for maintenance only. He continued to explain the lag time for the BlueCross BlueShield payment was to meet the deadline mandated by the contract a manual check was created. Glacial Energy is the Village's electric provider.

Ayes: Trustees McGuire, Oscar Brown, and Covington

Nays: Trustees Griffin and Larry Brown

Motion To Approve Bills Payable Carried.

G: General Public Comments

Mr. Steve Allen questioned two board members of their previous positions held with the Village.

Ms. Carolyn Banks wanted the repair status of the light outage on Pine Woods Court, her need for a guardrail on University Parkway and the status of the contractor license application submitted to the Village.

General Public Comments – Continued:

Ms. Patti Guinn stated her wish for Board members to be treated with respect.

Ms. Sandra Heard wanted to know when the Finance Committee will be reviewing the FY 2010-11 budget and if the public will be encouraged to attend the budget hearings. She would like the Finance Committee members to be notified when a meeting is being canceled or postponed. She would still like to receive a meeting packed even if a cancellation or postponement is made. Ms. Heard voiced her concern of the checks and balances within the Finance Department to avoid errors. Ms. Marion Morel inquired about a flyer that was placed in her doorway (which she passed to the Board). The creator was not identified.

Ms. Mary Truss commented on the professionalism expected of the Board.

Ms. Cynthia Hudson informed the Board of the H1N1 virus cases at Monee, Talala and Balmoral Elementary Schools. She also wanted the Board and residents to be aware of the Family Development Center at Governors State University.

Mr. Anthony Stephens invited the Board and residents to attend the upcoming 100 Men Association Meeting at the University Golf Club and Conference Center this Saturday, October 31st. The guest speaker will be the honorable Congressman Bobby Rush. He thanked all those that who support the 100 Men Association and in turn offered support/donation to Trustee McGuire's JEWEL Program, Trustee Covington's coat drive, and the golf club turkey drive.

Ms. Rose Nettles wanted to know the status of the new ambulance, will be equipped with a 12-lead EKG, and the status of the speed bumps for the day care center.

H: Board Caucus

Mayor Pro Tem Roudez suspended the meeting from 9:48 pm to 9:57 pm to allow the Board to caucus.

Mayor Pro Tem Roudez reconvened the Board meeting and the following responses were given to concerns raised by residents under general comments:

The two trustees replied to Mr. Allen's concerns.

Manager Sevier replied that public works will follow-up with the lighting issues raised by Ms. Banks. Ms. Kidd responded to Ms. Banks concern regarding her license application during the adjournment, and Atty. Miles mentioned University Parkway is a county road, but he will ask the Village engineer to request a guardrail.

Chief Exner replied to Ms. Nettles concerns that the two approved ambulances are on order. Deliver is expected late February early March. The Fire Department has 3-lead EKG's, the cost of a 12-lead EKG is approximately \$8000 each. 12-lead EKG's are more encouraged in areas with 15-30 minutes transporting time to the nearest hospital. The Department's travel time is 6-8 minutes; the current cost is not advantageous.

Manager Sevier also replied to Ms. Nettles about the speed bumps for the day care center. The Village was asked to install speed bumps or a stop sign. A stop sign was installed leading to the play area, which aided in the approving of the day care license.

I: Board Of Trustees And Manager Comments

J: Announcement Of Scheduled Meetings

K: Adjournment

Trustee Covington moved, Trustee McGuire seconded a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 10:27 pm.

Motion to Adjourn Carried By Voice Vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy R. Jones, CMC
Village Clerk

BY:

Kellye Kidd
Deputy Village Clerk