

***Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of The Board Of Trustees  
For The Village Of University Park, Will And Cook Counties  
Illinois, Held Tuesday, May 9, 2017 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 7:15 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Mayor:	Vivian E. Covington	Present
Trustees:	Larry B. Brown	Absent
	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 Attorney George Robinson, Parks & Recreation Program Supervisor Neva Jenkins, Deputy Fire Chief Brian Chellios, Public Works Director Gary Richardson, Police Chief John Pate, and Village Clerk Dorothy R. Jones.

Pastor Hunt led the audience in prayer.

**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 Wilson moved, Trustee Payton seconded a motion to table to the next regular meeting

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

***Motion To Table Carried.***

**E: General Public Comments**

Ms. Brenda Harris thanked Pastor Hunt for the prayer, and commented that the new Trustees have big shoes to fill; that the community is expecting change and great thing. She also stressed the importance of keeping residents involved.

**F-1: UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**F-2: NEW BUSINESS**

**F-2a: Resolution Accepting and Declaring Results of Election  
Held April 4, 2017**

Trustee Roudez moved, Trustee Oscar Brown seconded a motion to approve this Resolution Declaring Elizabeth "Liz" Williams, Theaplise "Theo" Brooks, and Curtis McMullan II elected Trustees

Trustee Wilson read the resolution and results

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

**Motion To Approve Carried**

**Resolution Number R2017-05.**

**F-2b: Swearing In Of Newly Elected Officials**

Cook County Circuit Clerk Dorothy Brown administered the Oath of Office to Trustees Elizabeth "Liz" Williams, Theaplise "Theo" Brooks, and Curtis McMullan II.

The new Trustees assumed their seats on the Board.

**F-2c: Motion Appointing Deborah Young as Chair of The Board of Fire & Police  
Commissioners**

Trustee Wilson moved, Trustee McMullan seconded a motion to approve this appointment.

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

**Motion To Approve Carried**

Village Clerk Dee Jones administered the Oath of Office to Deborah Young.

## **G. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Covington thanked everyone for their support, and reported on events and meetings that she had attended, or participated in since her last report, which included: she will be bringing PACE Bus service to the Village from 7 PM to 2 AM; A Town Hall Meeting will be held in June; she is bringing back Business After Hours, and the Holland Group, a new company in the Industrial Park will be the first to host the event, and DOT Foods will be the second; workshops will begin in June; Governors State University is still working to get the Cable Studio up and running; she stated that the newsletter is important, so she is bringing it back even if it's only one page, and pay for it out of her pocket if necessary. She also reported that her trip to Washington was successful, and that NOBLE will be coming to University Park to help with our crime situation, and that we are getting new equipment for public works to fill potholes and repair our streets.

## **REPORTS OF TRUSTEES**

## **H. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

None noted.

## **I. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

## **J. ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Wilson moved, Trustee McMullan seconded a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustee at 7:59 p.m.

***Motion to Adjourn Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.***

**Side Note:** as the meeting adjourned, Mayor Covington realized that Trustee Brooks wanted to make a comment.

Trustee Brooks thanked residents who supported him and made this possible.

Trustee Williams thanked the voters for bringing her back to continue to work in getting an overpass at Governors Highway.

Trustee McMullan stated that he would make his comments at the next meeting.

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Dorothy R. Jones*

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Dorothy R. Jones, MMC  
Village Clerk