

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS,
LAKE COUNTY, IL HELD JULY 19, 2022**

- I. Village Manager Timony called the meeting to order at 7:02PM.
- II. Roll call indicated the following Board Members present Trustees Koch, Marquardt, Forster, Schenk, and Oppenheim. Trustee Takaoka was not in attendance. President Byrne had given prior notice that he would not be in attendance. A quorum was established.

Also present were: Village Manager Timony, Assistant Village Manager Petrillo, PW Director Brown, Director of Community Development Atkinson, Chief Kreis, Finance Director Flori, Village Attorney Ferolo, Village Attorney Forte, Recording Secretary Koehl and Recording Secretary Heavrin.

Village Manager Timony called for a motion to appoint a Chairman Pro Tem for the duration of the Village Board meeting.

Motion by Trustee Oppenheim, second by Trustee Marquardt, to appoint Trustee Koch as Chairman Pro Tem for the duration of the meeting.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 5 – Marquardt, Forster, Oppenheim, Schenk, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 – Takaoka, Byrne

Motion carried.

- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

Representatives of the HSS community spoke to the Village Board in response to Vijaya Nadar's comments at the June 19, 2022 Village of Vernon Hills Board meeting. At the June 19th meeting, Ms. Nadar spoke of a recent HSS event that took place in Vernon Hills, where she advised the Village to be vigilant with the HSS group. Chairman Pro Tem Koch thanked the citizens for their comments, noting that the Village is about diversity, and reiterated that the opinions and thoughts of Ms. Nadar are not reflective of the Village nor the community.

- V. Officials Reports
- A. Village President

1. Appointment of Andrew C. Jennings as Director of Community Development/ Building Commissioner effective August 15, 2022

Attorney Ferolo stated on the record that Mayor Byrne sent a letter to the Board appointing Andrew C. Jennings as Director of Community Development/ Building Commissioner effective August 15, 2022, and asked the Board to vote on the appointment.

Motion by Trustee Schenk, second by Trustee Marquardt, to appoint Andrew C. Jennings as Director of Community Development/ Building Commissioner effective August 15, 2022.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 5 – Marquardt, Forster, Oppenheim, Schenk, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 – Takaoka, Byrne

Motion carried.

Chairman Pro Tem Koch welcomed Andrew Jennings to the Village. Village Clerk Timony administered the Oath of Office to Andrew C. Jennings.

2. Appointment of Bret A. Moberg to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners
Attorney Ferolo stated on the record that Mayor Byrne sent a letter to the Board appointing Bret C. Moberg to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners effective immediately, and asked the Board to vote on the appointment.

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Oppenheim, to appoint Bret A. Moberg to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners effective immediately.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 5 – Marquardt, Forster, Oppenheim, Schenk, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 – Takaoka, Byrne

Motion carried.

Chairman Pro Tem Koch and Board Trustees welcomed Mr. Moberg to the Village. Village Clerk Timony administered the Oath of Office to Bret A. Moberg.

B. Village Manager

1. Vernon Hills Days

Assistant Village Manager Timony gave a recap report about Vernon Hills Days and its festivities. It was a successful event and he thanked the Vernon Hills Police Department, Vernon Hills Public Works Department, Countryside Fire, Vernon Hills Park District and the volunteer committee for a job well done. He noted that the Vernon Hills Days Committee ran a 50/50 raffle raising \$2775 and to be donated to the Highland Park Community Foundation.

Chairman Pro Tem Koch stated that he received numerous outstanding comments regarding Police personnel from attendees.

Trustee Schenk also gave kudos to Police personnel for making their presence at the event a very welcoming one. He also thanked Village Manager Timony and Assistant Village Manager Petrillo for all their hard work on making this event a success.

Trustee Oppenheim asked what the final donation amount was for the Police Department's Cream a Cop fundraiser. Chief Kreis advised that approximately \$1075 was raised and will be donated to the Highland Park community.

Chief Kreis thanked all Police Department personnel for their hard work during the numerous challenging assignments that they all have had to deal with recently. He also thanked Deputy Chief Cielak and Commander Gillespie for doing a great job running the event.

C. Assistant Village Manager

1. Vernon Hills Military Honors Banner Program

Assistant Village Manager Petrillo gave a presentation of the Vernon Hills Military Honors Banner Program. AVM Petrillo introduced Todd Renihan from American Legion Post 1247, who displayed a banner and discussed the suggestions of placement of the banners throughout the community.

Trustee Oppenheim would like to have 20 banners budgeted per year, so that the families of veterans are not burdened with the cost.

Trustee Schenk asked staff to immediately get banners produced and hung for the Village's Active Duty residents.

Todd Renihan also advised that American Legion Post 1247 will be having their 4th annual golf outing at the Muni on August 27th.

- D. Finance Director/Treasurer
- E. Chief of Police
- F. Public Works Director/Village Engineer
- G. Director of Community Development

VI. Omnibus Vote Agenda

Chairman Pro Tem Koch called for a motion to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda Items A-E.

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Forster, to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda Items A-E.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 5 – Marquardt, Oppenheim, Schenk, Forster, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 – Takaoka, Byrne

Motion carried.

- A. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER LIST OF BILLS DATED JULY 19, 2022 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$570,036.91**
- B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING OF JULY 5, 2022**
- C. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2022-088 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2022-030 AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN EXPENDITURES TO CHICAGOLAND PAVING CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR THE 2022 BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT PATCHING PROGRAM FROM A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 TO A FINAL AMOUNT OF \$107,368.02**
- D. RATIFICATION OF A REQUEST FROM THE VERNON HILLS DAYS COMMITTEE TO HOLD FOUR (4) 50/50 RAFFLES TO BE HELD ON JULY 14, 2022, JULY 15, 2022, JULY 16, 2022, AND JULY 17, 2022 AT THE VERNON HILLS DAYS FESTIVAL GROUNDS AT CENTURY PARK IN VERNON HILLS, ILLINOIS**
- E. RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR THE VERNON HILLS HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 128**

VII. Unfinished/Additional Business

VIII. New Business/Communications

- 1. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2022-087 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF THE PLAN AND AGREEMENT TO CONSOLIDATE PARTICIPATING LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS**

Chief Kreis gave a presentation, discussed and answered questions regarding the consolidation plan and agreement for the Lake County Public Safety Answering Points. He said a timeline of 2025 is

expected for the completion of the new facility in Libertyville and when the program would be up and running. Chief Kreis answered the Board's questions. Trustee Oppenheim thanked Chief Kreis for his work on this project.

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Oppenheim to approve Ordinance 2022-087 an ordinance authorizing the Village Manager to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement regarding development of the plan and agreement to consolidate participating Lake County Public Safety answering points.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 5 – Forster, Oppenheim, Schenk, Marquardt, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 – Takaoka, Byrne

Motion carried.

Chairman Pro Tem Koch congratulated a Vernon Hills couple, Genevieve and Lawrence Gregory, on their 75th wedding anniversary that was posted on ABC7 Chicago news on July 19, 2022.

IX. Recess/Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Schenk, second by Trustee Oppenheim, to adjourn the Board Meeting and go into Committee of the Whole.

All in favor vote.

Motion carried.

The Village Board meeting was adjourned at 8:27PM.

Approved this 16th day of August, 2022



Kevin Timony, Village Clerk



Thom Koch Jr., Chairman Pro Tem