

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS,
LAKE COUNTY, IL HELD OCTOBER 3, 2023 7:00 PM**

- I. President Byrne called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm.
- II. Roll call indicated the following Board Members present: Trustees Marquardt, Oppenheim, Forster, Schenk, Koch and President Byrne via telephone. Trustee Takaoka was absent. A quorum was established.

Also present were: Village Manager Timony, Assistant Village Manager Petrillo, Public Works Director Venatta, Community Development Director Jennings, Finance Director Lyons, Chief Kreis, Village Attorney Ferolo, and Recording Secretary Koehl.

- III. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President Byrne called for a motion to appoint Trustee Koch as Chairman Pro Tem for the duration of the 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: 6 – Forster, Schenk, Marquardt, Oppenheim, Koch, President Byrne

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 1 – Takaoka

- IV. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board
None.

- V. Official Reports

- A. Village President

1. Proclamation - Hindu American Awareness and Appreciation Month
Chairman Pro Tem Koch read the proclamation.

- B. Village Manager

- C. Assistant Village Manager

- D. Finance Director/Treasurer

1. Cash and Investment Balance Report – June 2023 (enclosed in packet)

- 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 Omnibus items A-E. Trustee Schenk asked to pull item E to discuss further and vote on separately. Chairman Pro Tem Koch called for a motion to approve Omnibus items A-D.

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

Roll call vote:

AYES: 6 – Oppenheim, Marquardt, Forster, Schenk, President Byrne, Chairman Pro Tem Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 1 – Takaoka

Motion carried.

- A. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER LIST OF BILLS DATED OCTOBER 3, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$478,413.21
- B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2023
- C. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2023-098 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES TO WISCONSIN CENTRAL RAILROAD FOR THE MILWAUKEE AVENUE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$58,833.86
- D. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE 2023-099 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE REDUCTION OF THE LETTER OF CREDIT FOR 890 MILWAUKEE AVENUE
- E. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF RESOLUTION 2023-036 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR BUILDING INSPECTION AND PLAN REVIEW SERVICES WITH B & F CONSTRUCTION CODE SERVICES INC.

There was further discussion on Omnibus item E. Chairman Pro Tem Koch called for a motion to approve Omnibus item E.

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Forster, to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda Item E.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 6 – Oppenheim, Marquardt, Forster, Schenk, President Byrne, Chairman Pro Tem Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 1 – Takaoka

Motion carried.

VII. Unfinished/Additional Business

VIII. New Business/Communications

- 1. APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF RESOLUTION 2023-035 A RESOLUTION WAIVING BIDDING AND APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH HEZCORP CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE REMODEL OF THE POLICE STATION HOLDING AREA

There was discussion regarding the Police Department Holding Area proposed remodel.

Chairman Pro Tem Koch called for a motion to approve Resolution 2023-035, a resolution waiving bidding and approving a contract with Hezcorp Construction Services, Inc. For construction management services for the remodel of the police station holding area.

Motion by Trustee Oppenheim, second by Trustee Schenk, to approve Resolution 2023-035, a resolution waiving bidding and approving a contract with Hezcorp Construction Services, Inc. For construction management services for the remodel of the police station holding area.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 6 – Oppenheim, Marquardt, Forster, Schenk, President Byrne, Chairman Pro Tem Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 1 – Takaoka

Motion carried.

Assistant Village Manager Petrillo – Recognized Hispanic Heritage Month, which runs from September 15th to October 15th.

He also sent out a special Happy Birthday wish to one of Vernon Hills' newest Centenarians, resident Arline Cohen.

AVM Petrillo also wanted to make residents aware that there will be a National Emergency Alert Test that will be sent out to cell phones on Wednesday, October 4th at 2:20PM.

Trustee Koch stated that News Nation has ranked Vernon Hills in the top 10, as one of the great places to live in the entire nation.

He also recognized that October is Fire Prevention Month. He advised that Countryside Fire will be hosting an Open House & Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, October 8th at their Deerpath Fire Station.

Trustee Koch advised that resident Raymond Lass, Vietnam Veteran, USMC will be going on an Honor Flight. A welcome home letter will be presented to him, and congratulations go out to him from the entire Village Board. He will also be honored with a banner to be displayed in the Village.

Trustee Koch also advised that October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Trustee Schenk sends condolences on behalf of the Village Board to the family and friends of District 73 Principal Robert Collins, who recently passed.

President Byrne asked staff to reach out to resident Greg Pohlmann regarding his concerns with White Deer Run.

Trustee Oppenheim asked about the Village Code modification for Marketplace Shopping Center, and CD Director Jennings gave a summary of his discussion with owners and their marketing efforts. There was discussion by the Board. This item will be brought to the October 17, 2023 Village Board meeting.

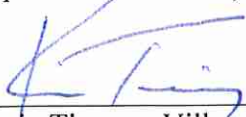
IX. Recess/Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Schenk, second by Trustee Oppenheim, to adjourn the Board Meeting and move in to the Committee of the Whole meeting.

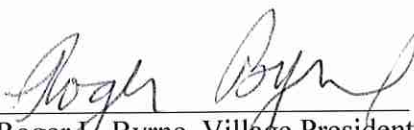
All in Favor vote.
Motion carried.

The Village Board meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Approved this 17th day of October 2023



Kevin Timony, Village Manager/Clerk



Roger L. Byrne, Village President