

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF GLENWOOD, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD AT VILLAGE HALL JULY 19, 2022

Board Meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Mayor Ronald J. Gardiner. The audience was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Upon Roll Call by Village Deputy Clerk **Carolyn D. Williamson**, the following Trustees responded: **Clark, Hart, Hadnott, Lynch and Winston**

REMOTE PARTICIPATION The meeting was conducted at Village Hall; there was a motion for **Trustee Dawson** to participate remotely. **Trustee Lynch made the motion and seconded by Trustee Winston**

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Naes: 1 Recues: Absent: Abstain: 0

Ayes: Hadnott, Hart, Lynch, Winston

Naes: Clark,

Recues:0

Absent:

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: **John Donahue**, Village Attorney, **Village Treasurer**, Carmen Hopkins, **Kevin Welsh** Fire/Building; **Chief Derek Peddycord** Police, **Deputy Kyle Wilbanks** Police, Bill **Manousopoulos**, Director of Public Works **Dave Shilling**, Village Engineer

ABSENT: **Phil Robbins. Glenwoodie Golf**

Village Clerk's Office: No Minutes were available

Village of Glenwood Recognition:

The Village recognized Pastor Herb Searfoss for his many years of dedication to the member of the Glenwood Bible Church as well as his service in the Glenwood Fire Department and EMA.

TREASURER'S REPORT: 1). **Motion to Approve Bills Payable as presented by Treasurer, Carmen Hopkins**

Bills Payable – Corporate \$236,393.48, Water \$232,498.78, Foreign Fire Insurance \$37.00, TIF Industrial Park \$877.50, TIF Main \$28,190.24, TIF State Street \$770.25, Glenwoodie \$27,538.15, TIF Halsted North \$497.25, TIF Halsted South \$11,092.59, Total All Funds \$537,895.24

Trustee Lynch made the motion for approval; **Second by Trustee Winston** to accept the Motion as read.

Discussion: Trustee Winston. Trustee Winston asked for clarity for the payment to TIF Halsted South for \$11,092.59.

Treasurer Hopkins stated the funds were broken out in three checks for the following:

1. Attorney Donahue- \$4241.25
2. Kreykes Electric- \$3850.00
3. Robinson Engineering - \$2832.75

Trustee Hadnott had a comment regarding COVID funds. He asked Village President and VA Mitchell what the solution to the Village being in the red without the COVID funds. Trustee Hadnott stated we received from the from the County \$385,174.03, and from the State \$590, 860.82. **Trustee Hadnott** asked for restraint from spending and **Trustee Hart** agreed.

VA Mitchell stated he would take another look at the COVID funds; however, to his recollection the Village received half of the allocated COVID funds. VA Mitchell also stated part of the first amount of funds were used for payroll. He stated the Board discussion should be on the State dollars and not the County. VA Mitchell will take a second look at the COVID funds and give an explanation to Trustee Hadnott tomorrow.

Trustee Winston addressed the Treasurer regarding the Park Drive funds.

Chief Welsh addressed **Trustee Winston** saying the Village received the first payment; however, IPH keeps changing the paperwork for the second payment. The \$200,000 for MWRD is in the bank. **Trustee Winston** also had concerns there were two piles of money regarding Park Drive. **VA Mitchell** says the money has not been spent.

Ayes: Clark, Dawson, Hadnott, Hart, Lynch, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues:0

Absent:

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

Payroll as of the date July 15, 2022, Corporate in the amount of \$111,540.00,
Sewer & Water \$15,374.00, Glenwoodie \$31,238.00, Paid on Call \$21,646.00,

OVERTIME: Police \$10,229.00, Reimbursable \$852.00, Sewer & Water \$2,152.00,

Public Works OT \$1,159.00 **TOTAL PAYROLL \$193,338.00**

Trustee Winston moved; **Second by Trustee Clark** to accept the Motion as read.

Discussion: Trustee Lynch asked if the overtime was from the 4th of July. VA Mitchell stated the overtime was from the 4th of July and all the festivities.

Trustee Winston reminded the Board that the Village is operating without a budget.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes:0 Recues: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Dawson, Hadnott, Hart, Lynch, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent:

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Mayor Gardiner addressed the public and the Board regarding the violence that took place in Brookwood Point. He stated the offenders were not from Glenwood. He stated the Police has handled things well and they are a few things on the agenda to enhance security in the Village of Glenwood.

Resident- Gregory Ray (Brookwood Point)/Fire and Police Commissioner- Village of Glenwood, 40-year Resident

Mr. Ray addressed the Board regarding an Ordinance on tonight's agenda. Mr. Ray says the Ordinance states that the Chiefs can advise the Mayor of the hiring of a Firefighter and not the Commission.

Mr. Ray has been on the Police and Fire Commission for 13 years. He passed out handouts from the Illinois Statue regarding the Police and Fire Commissioner. Mr. Ray is concerned the Village is attempting to limit or even do away with the Police and Fire Commissioners on the hiring of Firefighters with the language that is in the Ordinance. He stressed how important the Commission is in ensuring the Village of Glenwood have the best and most qualified candidates. Mr. Ray says this Ordinance came about due to the last three candidates not completing the tests in a satisfactory manner. Mr. Ray asked the Board to vote "No" on the Ordinance.

VA Mitchell asked to take this discussion to closed session because there may be a pending litigation by one of the candidates. **Trustee Hadnott** asked if all the candidates were

CPAT approved and asked could. Mr. Ray said the candidates did not qualify based on requirements by the Chief.

Trustee Winston stated to Mr. Ray the new Ordinance does not have CPAT as a requirement and the requirements have been watered down. **Mayor Gardiner** says this will be addressed by the Board later.

Resident: Deborah Birmingham (Brookwood Point)

Thanked Pastor Searfoss for his service to the Village as well. She stated Pastor Searfoss and been a great help to her personally and she will miss him.

Ms. Birmingham also stated she had sent a letter to the Board on July 5, 2022, regarding Polices and Laws for the Village of Glenwood. She states for over a decade she has expressed concerns about the high grass and weeds throughout the Village particularly at the property 421 S. Minerva. She states she has paid over \$2000 cutting grass and weeds from her neighbors' property. **Chief Welsh** addressed Ms. Birmingham stating the property is being sited for those violations and most of the time it is a civil matter. **Chief Welsh** states if Ms. Birmingham comes to court on Thursdays, she would see all the citations that had been given. He says the fine amounts are based off the violations and it could cost up to \$750.00 a day.

Resident: Celestine Bowman (Brookwood Point)

Ms. Bowman thanked the Police Department for doing a great job with the shooting that occurred in Brookwood Point. She stated the Police interviewed people, got video tapes and did a great job to help and assist the Residents. She stated the were very diligent and very intentional.

Ms. Bowman says she has been asking for speedbumps to no avail. She says the stop sign at the corner of her block and the speed cameras on Minerva. People do not pay attention to. She says something must be done about speeding down Minerva.

Trustee Clark made a comment regarding speeding cars and drag racing. He stated the Village should impound cars for speeding a drag racing in Glenwood much like they do in the City of Chicago.

Mayor Gardiner says the Village has done a study on speed bumps and on the agenda tonight **Chief Peddycord** will address most of Ms. Bowman's concerns with his Flock System Camera presentation.

Resident Ayoola Lawrence (Brookwood Point)- Mr.

Lawrence expressed concerns about the Trucks and traffic coming off of 394. He says there is an issue with the trucks parking on the shoulder. He is concerned about the pollution. **Chief Peddycord** says that is an issue with Cook County and the State Police.

Resident Leon Fields- Mr. Fields shared an article from the Daily Southtown on Cook County Crime Stoppers. Mr Fields stated they have a team of Police that will assist the local Police. Some surrounding Police Departments solicit this group's help with crime. Mr. Fields says he will email the article. **Trustee Hadnott** says he has been talking about a Crime Free application. He says this will address the problem. **Mayor Gardiner** says he will have it on the second agenda in August.

Resident Felicia Brown (Forest) addressed the Mayor to consider a committee for the disabled. She says July is Disability Awareness month. She would like to start a committee. She also says she would like to see a girls' sports team.

Trustee Winston says the Public Works Director may have some insight on ADA accessible parks. Public Works Director Bill Manous says the plans are already in progress for upgrading our Parks so that it may be ADA (Wheelchair) accessible.

Mayor Gardiner says he will consider her proposals.

Ms. A. Brown (Brookwood Point)

Had concerns with Air B and Bs/ Short Term Rentals. She asked if there is an Ordinance that allows Air B and Bs; in the Village of Glenwood. **Mayor Gardiner** informed Ms. Brown the Village an Ordinance that prohibits Short Term Rentals and Air B and B's in the Village of Glenwood.

Cathy Shenault (Brookwood Point) directed her question to **Public Works Director Manous** asking are all the Public Works positions filled? Manous says Public Works department is fully staffed. Ms. Shenault also asked about the work being done on the bridge at Glenwood Lansing Road? Village Engineer Schilling stated this is not the Village's project. It is part of the County work, and the Village has no control over it.

COMMUNICATIONS MAYORS OFFICE:

Approval of Request for Executive Closed Session under Section 2 (c) (1) Personnel with action to be taken and reason to reconvene at the end of the meeting.

Hadnott/Hart

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 6 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Dawson, Hadnott, Hart, Lynch, Winston

Naes:0

Recues: 0

Absent: Dawson

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

Left for Closed session at 8:21 p.m.

Meeting Reconvened at 8:56 p.m. from the Closed Session.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

John F. Donahue

1. Approval of an Ordinance for Lateral Hiring of Fully Certified Police Officers

Trustee Hadnott made the motion, and seconded by **Trustee Winston**

Discussion: **Chief Peddycord** explained this is an Ordinance to help retain Police Officers in the Village of Glenwood. **Trustee Hadnott** asked, how many officers is the Village short. **Chief Peddycord** stated we have one part-time officer. satisfactory. **Trustee Lynch** made a comment about the Village growing and additional officers are needed. He stated in addition to looking for lateral, the Village may want to consider part time officers. **Chief Peddycord** stated he is not against part time officers; however, he would rather full time. **VA Mitchell** asked **Chief Peddycord** did the Commission get him the names for background checks of the two police candidates? **Chief Peddycord** stated he would check with Detective Morache. Mr. Ray says he has contacted Detective Morache for the background checks. **Trustee Hart** had concerns on the impact Lateral Hiring would have and the increase of salaries. After more discussion on this topic, the following vote occurred:

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Dawson, Hadnott, *Gardiner

Naes: Hart, Lynch, Winston

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

2. Approval of an Ordinance for expedited hiring of Fully Certified Firefighters

Trustee Lynch made the motion, and there was no second

Motion died for lack of a second.

3. Approval for Acceptance of Glenwood Oaks first payment as timely

Discussion: **Attorney Donahue** explained the Board should vote on if the Village want to consider the June late payment as timely or is this a default payment since the payment was two days late. **Trustee Hadnott** asked was Glenwood Oaks notified by the Village of his payment? **Trustee Hart** asked is there language in the contract as to when the payment is due and if it is not paid, what are the consequences. **Attorney Donahue** says yes there is language saying if the payment is not on the 15th, it is considered late. **Trustee Winston** stated we gave Glenwood Oaks an interest free loan and he should understand when the payments are due. He also states we should give that \$7500 late fee payment to the sports team.

Motion to accept Glenwood Oaks first payment June 15, 2022, as timely

Trustee Hadnott made the motion, and seconded by **Trustee Lynch**

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Dawson, Hadnott, Lynch, *Gardiner

Naes: Clark, Hart, Winston

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

The check will be returned to Glenwood Oaks.

4. Consideration of Tuscan Gardens request for an extension on the completion of redevelopment work.

Discussion: Attorney John read a letter from Rob Opilka (Tuscan Gardens) . Mr Opilka addressed the board and stated he is trying to get the work done. He also states he has been working day and night and he lives on the property. He also says he has an issue with supplies.

Motion to accept Tuscan Gardens request for an extension on the completion of redevelopment work for 6 months.

Trustee Hadnott made the motion, and seconded by **Trustee Clark**

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Dawson, Hadnott, Lynch, Clark, Hart, Winston

Naes:

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

The Board gave Mr. Opilka 6 months to complete the work. Mr. Opilka has until January 2023.

Mayor Gardiner asked the presenters to come back later after the Board has had a chance to review the presentations. **Attorney John** will change the dates in the agreement to 6 months.

5. Approval of a Redevelopment Agreement with the Lake County Excavating Company.

Discussion: Chief Welsh gave a background on this project. He states the Commission groups Economic Development, Zoning and Finance approved the project. VA Mitchell gave background on the finance piece. Thomas Planera (Attorney) came to the podium to field any questions by the Trustees.

Trustee Hadnott made the motion, and seconded by **Trustee Lynch**

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 1 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Hadnott, Lynch, Clark, Winston *Gardiner

Naes: Hart, Winston, Dawson

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

6. Approval of an Ordinance Rezoning certain Property to the M Manufacturing Zoning District (PIN: 32-10-400-006-0000)

Trustee Lynch made the motion, and seconded by **Trustee Hadnott**

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 1 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Hadnott, Lynch, Clark, Winston *Gardiner

Naes: Hart, Winston, Dawson

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

7. Approval of an Ordinance for a plat of Subdivision (PIN:32-10-400-006-0000)

Trustee Hadnott made the motion, and seconded by **Trustee Lynch**

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 1 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Hadnott, Lynch, Clark, Winston *Gardiner

Naes: Hart, Winston, Dawson

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Brian D. Mitchell

VA Mitchell stated there will be a kickoff meeting as it relates to the Board Room audio and video as well as a new loan program that is coming out that helps communities with alate tax bill. There will be a Ribbon cutting at Chug a Lug, next Friday,

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Police

Chief Derek Peddycord

1. Approval of and an Ordinance to Increase PD staffing

Chief Peddycord would like to increase this staff from 23 to 25.

Upon Discussion: Motion to table

Trustee Clark motioned to Table, Trustee Dawson seconded

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 1 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Hadnott, Lynch, Winston

Naes:0

Recues: 0

Absent: Hart

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes, Ordinance is Tabled.

2. Approval to enter in an agreement for a two year agreement 31,000 for the first year and 27,500.00 for the second year for Flock Safety Cameras

Discussion: Trustee Hadnott asked if there was any grant money. Chief Peddycord would investigate finding possible grant money.

Trustee Hadnott made the motion and Trustee Winston seconded

Ayes: Clark, Dawson, Hadnott, Winston

Naes: Lynch, Hart

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS: **Trustee Lynch** asked in the future the Board should have a discussion of all topics whether the vote is up or down. The subject should at least be discussed. **Trustees Hart, Hadnott and Winston** disagreed with the comment.

Trustee Hart asked for a budget. **Mayor Gardiner** says a preliminary budget will come next meeting. VA Mitchell will ush Sikich for a preliminary budget.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING

Trustee Lynch moved; **Second by Trustee Hart**

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes 0: Recues:0 Absent:1 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Hart, Hadnott, Lynch, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: Dawson

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

ADJOURNMENT: The July 19, 2022, Board Meeting adjourned @ 10:30pm.

Carolyn D. Williamson

Carolyn D. Williamson, Village Deputy Clerk