

MINUTES OF MAYOR BRAUN AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
VILLAGE OF FLOSSMOOR, ILLINOIS HELD ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

VILLAGE HALL

SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

7:30 p.m.

Mayor Braun called the meeting to order at 7:35pm.

Village Clerk Ananda Billings took roll.

PRESENT: Mayor Braun, Trustees Bradley-Scott, Driscoll, Hoag, Kimmons, Mitros, Williams and Village Clerk Ananda Billings (via Webex)

ALSO PRESENT: Village Manager Bridget Wachtel, Assistant Village Manager Allison Matson, Police Chief Tod Kamleiter, Fire Chief Greg Berk; Public Works Director, John Brunke, Village Attorney, Kathi Orr, 3 citizens were present in person and 3 citizens were present on Webex.

CITIZENS PRESENT: Mayor Braun requested that any citizen who wished to identify themselves do so, along with their address for the Village Clerk.

Introductory Comments

Mayor Braun stated that in order to mitigate the transmission of the virus and reduce risk of COVID-19 illness, the Village has been advised and directed by the State to allow no more than 50 people to congregate for public gatherings. As such, this meeting of the Board of Trustees will be attended by those who voluntarily choose to attend physically as well as by those who voluntarily choose to attend via conference line. The public is invited to attend the meeting in person, so long as each individual undergoes a temperature check prior to entering the meeting space and wears a mask during the meeting. Citizens are allowed and encouraged to participate remotely.

This meeting along with all subsequent remotely held Board meetings will be recorded. Public comment will be only available during the portion of the meeting during which the public is invited to address the Board. As communicated to the public earlier, those questions that were submitted to staff in advance of the meeting would also be addressed during this time.

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held on September 8th 2020

Mayor Braun asked the Board if they had any further changes or comments. He called for a motion to approve the minutes of the rescheduled regular meeting held on September 8, 2020. Trustee Williams so moved, seconded by Trustee Bradley-Scott, and passed by a roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Bradley-Scott, Driscoll, Hoag, Kimmons, Mitros, and Williams
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
NAYS: None

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Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Board

None

The Mayor referred to Agenda Item #1 – Consideration of a Resolution of the Village of Flossmoor, Cook County, Illinois, Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Intergovernmental and Subrecipient Agreement for Coronavirus Relief Funds

Public Works Director John Brunke informed the Board that the Village has received an allocation for Coronavirus Relief funds pursuant to the CARES Act through Cook County. The Village has been allocated \$209,789.61 which will come from the U.S Department of the Treasury and is intended to provide reimbursement aid to municipalities to cover eligible responses to the Coronavirus response. The Village has assumed additional expenses. In order to request the CARES funding through Cook County, the Village must first approve an Intergovernmental Agreement and Resolution to Cook County to start the process.

Mayor Braun thanked staff for spending numerous hours on securing and looking for ways to apply these funds.

Trustee Williams commented that it is good that we understand how we will utilize these funds. There are other organizations that are currently trying to determine the best way to spend these funds so having a plan in place prior to receipt is a great step.

Trustee Hoag commended staff for laying the groundwork for how to administer the funds and for submitting the paperwork.

Trustee Kimmons inquired as to the timing of the receipt of the funds, and Mr. Brunke responded that this should be turned around within a month once we make application.

Trustee Bradley-Scott thanked staff for their time and effort on this matter.

Mayor Braun asked the Board if they had any further questions, and as they did not, he called for a motion to approve the Resolution of the Village of Flossmoor, Cook County, Illinois, Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Intergovernmental and Subrecipient Agreement for Coronavirus Relief Funds. Trustee Williams so moved, seconded by Trustee Kimmons and passed by a roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Bradley-Scott, Driscoll, Hoag, Kimmons, Mitros, and Williams
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
NAYS: None

Mayor Braun referred to Agenda Item #2: Consideration of an Ordinance Granting Emergency Powers to the Mayor of the Village of Flossmoor, Cook County, Illinois

This is the renewal of the ordinance granting emergency powers to the Mayor in order to provide protective measures during the Coronavirus pandemic.

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Mayor Braun asked the Board if they had any further questions and as they did not, he called for a motion to approve the Ordinance Granting Emergency Powers to the Mayor of the Village of Flossmoor, Cook County, Illinois. Trustee Mitros so moved, seconded by Trustee Bradley-Scott and passed by a roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Bradley-Scott, Driscoll, Hoag, Kimmons, Mitros, and Williams
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
NAYS: None

Mayor Braun referred to the Finance Committee – Presentation of Bills for Approval and Payment (September 21st, 2020)

Trustee Hoag made a motion to approve hand checks in the amount of \$1,506.80 and invoices in the amount of \$832,975.45 for a total of \$834,482.25. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mitros and passed by a voice vote.

AYES: Trustees Bradley-Scott, Driscoll, Hoag, Kimmons, Mitros, and Williams
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
NAYS: None

Other Business:

The Green Commission is hosting Recyclepalooza on Saturday October 3rd from 10am-1:00pm at Parker Junior High. This event will offer an opportunity for residents to bring any items that need recycling, even those items that are typically difficult to find recycling services for.

The Village will also be hosting an open house for the streets, sidewalk and flooding referendum on October 3rd from 10:30am-1:30pm to allow residents to speak with Village representatives about the referendum.

On September 30 at 4:30 p.m., the Village will host a Web Ex meeting on the Referendum as well. The Village will publish information on the WebEx on its website.

Trustee Williams informed the Board that the Southland Development Corporation will award grants to help businesses in the Southland. This will help businesses following the economic impact of the Coronavirus pandemic. The intent is to help communities move from a deprivation environment to one that is more thriving.

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Mayor Braun referred to Agenda Item #3 on the Agenda: A Motion to go into Executive Session to Discuss the Employment of Specific Individuals, Property Acquisition, and Litigation.

Mayor Braun called for a Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. Trustee Bradley-Scott so moved, seconded by Trustee Driscoll and passed by a roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Bradley-Scott, Driscoll, Hoag, Kimmons, Mitros, and Williams
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
NAYS: None

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:48pm.

The Board returned to Regular Session at 8:03pm.

As there were no other items to discuss, Mayor Braun called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Mitros so moved, seconded by Trustee Bradley-Scott and passed by a roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Bradley-Scott, Driscoll, Hoag, Kimmons, Mitros, and Williams
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
NAYS: None

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Ananda Billings

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Village Clerk