

*MINUTES OF MAYOR NELSON AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE VILLAGE OF FLOSSMOOR, ILLINOIS HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2024*

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Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Village Clerk LoGalbo took roll.

PRESENT: Mayor Nelson, Trustees Bradley-Scott, Daggett, Driscoll, Lofton, Mitros, Mustafa

ALSO PRESENT: Village Manager Bridget Wachtel; Assistant Village Manager Jonathan Bogue; Fire Chief Bob Kopec; Acting Chief of Police Keith Taylor; Director of Public Works John Brunke; Director of Building & Zoning Scott Bugner; Finance Director Ann Novoa; Acting Village Attorney Karl R. Ottosen; 31 community members, media, and others.

Mayor Nelson reminded everyone that the Village Board meeting was being streamed via Zoom for the convenience of those unable to attend the meeting in person. Public commenters who signed up to speak would be called from the sheet they signed in on. Mayor Nelson explained that when commentators are called for public comment they should approach the podium, state their name, address the Village Board with decorum, and address the comments to the public body as a whole and not a certain member of staff. Mayor Nelson asked that speakers limit their comments to five minutes per person for a maximum of thirty minutes of public comment time.

Recognitions and Appointments:

None.

Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Board:

Citizens Present Wishing to Address the Board on an Agenda Item & Non-Agenda Item

(It should be noted that in reporting these comments, the Village has not researched the accuracy of any comments.):

Flossmoor resident Ashley Giddens' comments, in summary, were regarding feedback on the proposal to install cameras at the Heather Hill Detention Basin, specifically those that will use AI technology to detect activity in the basin area. She explained that while the goal of keeping children safe is paramount, she wanted to highlight key points for consideration that she believed were essential for a successful and responsible implementation of this system. She asked that the Village provide clear information about how quickly the AI alerts will trigger responses and explain what the process for the initial alert will be, who will receive it first, and what the estimated time for a response team to arrive is. Giddens stated that ideally, a safety team or other designated responders, in addition to the police, could also receive alerts to expedite any necessary response time, ensuring that any child or individual in distress is attended to as quickly as possible. She noted that in terms of false alarm prevention in AI accuracy, AI technology has great potential but also comes with limitations, especially in detecting specific movements, and she wanted assurance

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regarding the accuracy of the system and how it distinguishes between children, animals, and objects to reduce false alarms. Giddens stated that the accuracy is critical to avoid excessive alerts in the unnecessary deployment of emergency personnel, which could undermine the system's credibility and the community's trust, and that for a system like it to remain reliable, regular maintenance is non-negotiable. She wanted to hear more about the planned maintenance schedule for the cameras in the AI system and noted that it was essential to have strong network security to protect against unauthorized access or hacking. She stated that, as everyone knows, the cameras will be monitoring a public space involving children, making security a top priority. Giddens also opined that it was important for the Village to keep the community informed of the system's performance and proposed regular updates and community feedback forums where residents could provide input on how well the system is working and raise any new concerns or suggestions. She stated that she would be willing to work with the Village to facilitate the discussions and help address any concerns that may arise after the implementation. Giddens also asked that the Village consider alternative safety measures such as a storm trap system and that while cameras may offer a layer of protection, there are alternatives worth considering. She explained that the storm trap detention system allows a detention basin to be installed underground, restoring green space above. She spoke with representatives from Storm Trap, and they confirmed that it would be feasible to install their systems over the current groundwork, and it does not require an underground pump, which would not only provide effective stormwater management but also eliminates the need for a hazardous open basin. It has been implemented in schools across the country to successfully restore outdoor spaces, providing both safety and usable green space for children. Giddens urged the Village to think thoroughly about the decision and consider the elements carefully before moving forward, as the history of the project shows the risk of rushing to a vote without fully examining the best options for children in the community and that a well-considered choice puts safety first and transparency at the forefront.

Trustee Mustafa asked Giddens whether the PTO had discussed the lighting options for the detention basin.

Giddens answered that they met with the school's principal a few months ago and discussed certain precautions they would like to have in place. The list was long, and she was not sure if lighting was on that list and offered to email the list of items that the PTO requested from the school.

Flossmoor resident Andrea Perry's comments, in summary, were regarding her speaking as a 37-year resident and constituent of Flossmoor. She explained that because the motives behind her public comments were publicly called into question by the Village Attorney, she wanted to refresh the Board's memory of what brought her to attend every regular Board meeting since March 18, 2024, and routinely make public comments. She noted that she did not like writing or public speaking and that what drives her to do it is her compassion and caring for all people as human beings and her passion for what is just, fair, and equitable. She explained that prior to March 4, 2024, she was not a civically engaged resident, but she decided to become involved since the March 4th Board meeting and her disappointment with the Mayor's response to the community's support of former Police Chief Jones. She made a commitment to attend each Board meeting thereafter and to make public comments on her concerns about how Flossmoor is being managed and run because she thought the actions taken by the Mayor and Village Manager seemed authoritarian in nature without transparency, accountability, monitoring, equity, or inclusion, and that they act to suppress, invalidate, and discredit opposing criticism and feedback.

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Flossmoor resident Jackie Riffice's comments, in summary, were regarding her comments as a resident although she was also a member of the Community Relations Commission (CRC), and how several years ago the CRC was asked by the Board to recommend ways in which the Flossmoor Police Department (FPD) could better connect with the community following the Madeline Miller incident. She explained that the CRC suggested ways to improve communication with more clarity and transparency, and proposed ways to connect with the youngest to the oldest residents, suggested continuing with programs like Coffee or Cocoa with a Cop, DARE, and the Citizens Police Academy. Riffice noted that the FPD heeded some of the CRC's suggestions, including the Citizens Police Academy. Riffice stated that she did not know how it was funded but wanted to see the Citizens Police Academy become a featured course in the Village and have it occur at least twice a year. Riffice explained that after a five-year lapse, the FPD offered a ten-week course to give residents a closer look into what happens in the day of a life of a police officer and that under the leadership of Acting Police Chief Taylor and Commander Filkins, ten residents met every Wednesday for two hours from late August to late October. Riffice stated that the real headliner was Officer David Levy, who greeted the Academy students every week with a new slate of speakers who were invited to pull back the many layers of local, county, and state policing. They were introduced to the FPD, and Officer Levy brought in experts from around the State who spoke about a variety of topics, including juvenile law, search and seizure, traffic law, DUI, Miranda rights, and crime scene investigations. She noted that one of her favorite opportunities was meeting the hound dogs who look for missing or lost people. Riffice listed her five takeaways from the experience, specific to FPD: Many of the officers in Flossmoor are multi-certified, and many are trained in specialties and are often requested to assist in efforts outside of the Village. Riffice noted that FPD is uber observant and that most people in the room just see her talking to the Board but opined that Acting Chief Taylor and any other Officer in the room know where everyone is, what they are doing, and what looks right or wrong. Her third point was about the 911 Communications Center in Homewood and the remarkable work they do there. Riffice's fourth point was that police work was a calling and that FPD officers are incredibly dedicated to the uniform and dedicated to one another. They back one another up on calls to ensure they remain safe while keeping residents safe, and it seemed like they really like one another. Her fifth point was that at most times, there are two officers on patrol and that should there be multiple high-priority events, FPD officers have to determine who gets served first at which type of call and wondered if police staffing is part of the Village's upcoming budgeting process and if not, to consider the effort of staffing needed to keep the Village and its Officers safe. She thanked the FPD, Acting Chief Taylor, Commander Filkins, and Officer Levy for putting together a program that all Flossmoor residents can learn from and asked that the Village continue funding the Academy in order to make it available to others.

Mayor Nelson thanked Jackie Riffice and noted that she was glad Riffice took the time to be part of the Citizens Police Academy.

Flossmoor resident Percy Scott's comments, in summary, were regarding him being a 13-year resident and wanting to echo what Riffice stated about the Citizens Police Academy. Scott stated that it was amazing that FPD's Officers are stellar, including hearing each one of them going over their experience and training and letting the Citizens Police Academy know that when the SWAT team is called, they have that SWAT experience in Flossmoor. Scott asked that the Village also fund the Citizens Police Academy more than once. He noted that the members of the Citizens Police Academy got a chance to know each other better

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and that the camaraderie that the residents got was impeccable. He got to know a lot of people in the Village that he would have never met had it not been for the Citizens Police Academy, and he asked that the Village continue it. He also noted that the Village did an amazing job with the new flooring and requested that they invest in some new, more comfortable seats for the Village Board meetings so his back does not hurt after every Board meeting.

Mayor Nelson thanked Percy Scott and noted that she was glad Scott took the time to be part of the Citizens Police Academy.

Community member Pastor Doyle's comments, in summary, were regarding his comments one year ago as a Marine Corps Veteran about Trader Joe's. Doyle noted that as it relates to businesses in Flossmoor or Homewood, his father was a business owner in Homewood for 25 years on Dixie Highway where comments were made to discredit him due to their race. Doyle explained that a year later, his statement is different because if one had listened to the Board meetings for Homewood-Flossmoor High School in the last month, then everyone would have understood what was coming. Doyle explained that as it relates to race and inclusion, and Flossmoor and Homewood, he explained that his mother would make special trips from Beverly to the University of Chicago classmates' homes whom she matriculated with as a sole African American music major in the 1950's, and it is now November and mental health is different for elderly individuals who in Cook County have to be focused on property taxes. Doyle explained that for those who are Marines, 35 years later he is a clinical social worker. He asked a year ago that attention be focused on elderly individuals regardless of race as it relates to mental health because the holidays are different for elderly in comparison to others. Doyle explained that this will be the first Fall where his mother will not be a part of a group of University of Chicago alumni who visit Flossmoor and Homewood and other South Suburban territories with regard to inclusion, as his mother passed away peacefully in Dolton on September 20th and as a Christian he knows exactly where his mother is which is next to his father and in the arms of God. Doyle stated that as it relates to those who are in Flossmoor, Homewood, elderly, and focusing on property taxes and how do they pay bills and why doesn't anyone come see them and why is everything so dark, he is asking again, a year later, what is the Board's physical plan for the elderly in Flossmoor. He stated that when he is older, he hoped that someone would be concerned about him in November and December when the holidays are different for the elderly because he does not have the resources as an elderly person than as someone who is younger, and the Bible is clear, do unto others, and he would like for people to think about Veterans not on just on Veterans Day, but also the elderly in November and December specifically because they're not good for individuals who are alone by force or by choice.

Mayor Nelson thanked Pastor Doyle, and stated that if he knows someone who is looking for help, the local townships do a wonderful job with senior outreach and also the Homewood-Flossmoor Park District has a lot of programming for seniors as well.

Mayor Nelson referred to the Consent Agenda (which encompassed Agenda Items 1-4):

- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting Held on October 15, 2024*
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held on October 21, 2024*
- 3. Presentation of Bills for Approval and Payment as Approved by the Finance Committee (November 4,*

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4. Designation of Board Meetings for 2025

Mayor Nelson called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Trustee Mitros so moved, seconded by Trustee Lofton.

Mayor Nelson called for a vote on the motion as presented. Motion passed by a roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Bradley-Scott, Daggett, Driscoll, Lofton, Mitros, and Mustafa.

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

NAYS: None

Reports of Committees, Commissions and Boards:

None.

Action Items:

None.

Discussion Items:

Mayor Nelson referred to Agenda Item #5 – Discussion of Cameras at the Heather Hill Detention Basin. Assistant Village Manager Jonathan Bogue explained that in regard to the Heather Hill Detention Basin camera discussion item, it was requested by the Mayor to take place at the Village Board meeting and which started with the School District's Superintendent Dr. Smith contacting the Village following his September 23rd meeting regarding an earlier discussion of adding cameras to monitoring the Heather Hill Basin. Dr. Smith indicated to the Village that he would like the Board to discuss the matter to see if there was an interest in doing something with regard to cameras before he brought it back to the School Board. In those discussions they talked about quotes and different prices for both the School District's options or the Village using their camera provider through Quinlan, which is the Village's preferred vendor. Bogue explained that the reason Quinlan is a preferred vendor is because they are being used currently for the Village's project that is finishing within Village Hall and they are doing the downtown cameras. Bogue explained that both camera companies offered similar technology, and the technology centered around putting cameras to be able to cover that basin area while also monitoring it using AI technology to detect individuals coming into the basin. The quote that the Village received was around \$25,000.00, and if lighting is added it could be as much as \$35,000.00. Bogue explained that if the Village wanted to move forward with the project, the district would provide the server space, electricity, access to the internet and roof access for the Village to be able to maintain and work on the cameras.

Mayor Nelson asked if the School District would be charging the Village for server space, electricity, and internet and whether for the additional \$10,000.00 for the lighting, does that give the Village power and

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connection to their servers. Mayor Nelson inquired whether the cameras work at night without lighting, or whether the basin needed to be lit up.

Bogue answered that to his understanding, no they would not be charging the Village. He explained that the power and connection would be included, and that not much electrical power is needed to actually get to the camera, but they would have to be powered. If the cameras were off campus, then electrical wire would need to be run, but from the roof there would be easy access to electricity. Bogue answered that his understanding was that the cameras would work without lighting.

Kevin Quinlan from Quinlan Security Systems explained that in regard to the power questions, the cameras would be getting hardwired, and they would need server space in the school and one outlet from the school.

Trustee Mitros stated that he saw all sorts of problems associated with the proposal. He asked what the Village is going to do with the other detention ponds in the Village and noted that the Heather Hill Basin has a six-foot fence around it. He noted that the detention basin at Leavitt Park is fully encircled by houses, that there is a school across the street, and inquired whether the Village has ever had any problems with it when there is water in there quite a bit of the time. Trustee Mitros opined that if the Board is going to put cameras at the Heather Hill detention basin, then they should do it for everyone in town. He also thought that the Police Department would continually have phone calls about it, and that it did not make sense to him.

Trustee Mustafa explained that there are specific reasons to have the discussion about cameras, and that the Heather Hill basin was the only place in Flossmoor that encircles a school and that Levitt's basin nor any other basin in Flossmoor encircles a school with children the age of Heather Hill Elementary School students. She opined that one could say there are areas around Homewood-Flossmoor High School that are comparable, but it is not because it is not since they are teenagers. Trustee Mustafa stated that for those who have not visited the basin they should because it comes right up to the sidewalk, it comes within a few feet of certain windows of the school, it is the only one with its configuration and it is the only one where young children play in a playground 35 – 40 feet away so it is different from the other basins. Trustee Mustafa noted that she wanted to know more about the technology involved. She asked if the lights would go off when animals go in the basin, and whether it would overburden the Village's first responders with calls that add to their workload. Trustee Mustafa explained that there is a house where some of the windows face the school and is near the basin and that lights on the school would shine into whatever windows are there which would be unpleasant, and that there are people who live diagonally from the basin and the lights would shine into their homes. Trustee Mustafa wanted to know more about what the objective is other than the safety of children, how the technology works, how Flossmoor police will respond, and what will they do when they respond.

Assistant Village Manager Bogue stated that in regard to the alert system, it could be set up to either call a phone number or text a phone number of an emergency responder, so it could be set up to call the Police Department's non-emergency line and the videos of the basin can then be brought up on video screen at the record's clerk desk, which is staffed 24 hours a day. The issue could then be verified, someone could be sent to the basin, and they would have a process for that, as well as view those cameras in real time.

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Kevin Quinlan explained that the cameras have built-in AI technology, so they detect the difference between a human and an animal, so they are not getting false alarms for animals. Quinlan noted that he thinks it is 99 % accurate per the manufacturer and that it adapts to the environment that it is in, so it learns the area that it is viewing, and knows the difference between a person and an animal. In regard to lighting, they are additional and can be programed to identify humans, can be set with different time parameters, can be a strobe light, and there are also options for speakers to play audio like 'no trespassing,' but lights are not necessary for the cameras to run at night to identify humans at night. Quinlan explained that the technology has 100 feet of infrared technology, and that extenders can be added to cover areas beyond 100 feet. The additional lighting can act as a deterrent to shine a light when someone is detected. In regard to the infrared extenders, they can be extended 300 feet to 500 feet and there are various options.

Trustee Mustafa asked how many extenders would be needed to cover the entire basin, what they would add to the cost and what the \$25,000.00 - \$26,000.00 would include. Trustee Mustafa noted that she would like more definitive and confident answers from Quinlan in response to their questions.

Assistant Village Manager Bogue answered that it would include cameras to cover all sides of the basin, that lights and speakers were not included in the package and not necessary, and they would need to obtain a more precise answer for what extenders would be necessary and what those costs would be. He noted that this was an initial discussion, and more detailed information can be provided to the Board at a later time if the Board is interested in pursuing the project.

Trustee Bradley-Scott stated in response to Trustee Mitros' question that the Board is reviewing the matter because when the Board initially looked at the project, there were some safety items that were not considered and because it is a unique project compared to the other detention basins and retention ponds in the area it gives the Board a new perspective of how to solve a problem. She noted that the Board has heard from School Board members and parents, and Heather Hill residents in terms of their concerns about safety and when the Board was initially reviewing the safety items pertaining to the detention basin, being able to see what was down in the basin was not talked about. Trustee Bradley-Scott inquired whether the school is on a generator if they lose power, if there is a backup system or will the Village have to provide something in order to provide this service. Trustee Bradley-Scott requested more information about the AI technology identification features, warranty options, the ability of the cameras to monitor the entire basin, whether the cameras would pick up the children playing in authorized areas, and whether there were other company and technology options that might be better.

Assistant Village Manager Bogue answered that the Village would have to discuss the issues with the School District but that there are options that are not cost-prohibitive for the backup power of the server. He explained some of the capabilities of the cameras to view the basin area, the interest in the extenders, and the School District's interest in purchasing their own cameras for coverage of the basin.

Quinlan responded that although he does not have the technological background to explain the AI technology behind the identification feature in depth, but it is put it into the camera and it helps over time to identify unusual situations and does not need to learn the difference between the human and the animal

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because it is built in already to the camera itself. He also responded that the manufacturer provides a five-year warranty, and then if the Village chooses the service and maintenance plan it will have a warranty for the lifetime of the system. He noted that the cameras can be zone mapped to desired areas for the motion activity to be detected.

Village Manager Bridget Wachtel noted that the Village may not want multiple camera vendors that the Village's public safety would be working with so it made sense having an established relationship with Quinlan to approach them to see what technology they could offer.

Trustee Daggett noted that he was very glad that the Board was having the conversation about the camera issue, and that when the Board was making decisions on the detention area and the concerns came forward from a lot of the residents, one of the things that he advocated for was that they do everything that is feasible to make the basin as safe as possible. He noted that even if the cameras only have to be utilized one time, which could be potentially really important. Trustee Daggett stated that it was worth finding out some answers to some of these questions regarding the cameras. He noted that he is familiar with the cameras with infrared because the marine industry uses them, and they can reach out as far as two to three miles if needed. Those cameras are extremely expensive, but to reach 500 to 1,000 feet is well within the technology. and is not too crazy expensive. He explained that anytime the Board has something that they are trying to decide we they are going to do, there is always going to be issues with it, and they have to identify what those problems are, and the detention area itself, it is obviously not ideal. He noted that it would have been nice if they did not have to do it at all, but it was a necessary thing. He explained that with the cameras, there may be some issues and they find out what those issues are and see if they can solve for them whether that issue is budget, whether it is technology and whether it works or not and if they can get to a point where it does not make sense then he would say no to it, and if they can solve for those things to where it is reasonable, then he would be in favor of it. Trustee Daggett explained that it terms of the service and maintenance plan, he requested further clarification on what that maintenance would cover, information about a generator backup, more information on how long they think it would take for the AI technology to get dialed in, and get a more accurate number on what it would cost to get the project done. Then they can figure out where the funding is coming from and how to solve that and then make a decision on whether it is feasible or not. He also noted that he was not in favor of extra lighting if they are not needed.

Trustee Driscoll opined that the discussion of the cameras was completely premature and that he had to be convinced of the need for the cameras to begin with. He noted that the Board has heard from advocates who are against the project with exaggerated claims about child safety. For example, he listened to one claim that the basin would hold 2 million gallons of water, 15 feet from a kindergartner's window and that those claims were absurd. He explained that he expected when the basin is complete, it will be dry 99% of the time, and that when it does get water after a flooding event that it is going to drain in eight hours. He noted that if the Village does not get those expectations when the project is complete then it might be time to reassess whether or not cameras are needed but that as it stands now, he would want to be shown that there is a risk to the kids that is any different than any other basin in the Village.

Trustee Lofton noted that the Board should take a close look at how quickly the system will alert the police, and his question was the non-emergency line be the quickest way to manage the alert as opposed to 911.

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He was also interested in information about the maintenance of the cameras, a demonstration of the AI technology, and noted that when it comes to lighting, he would be concerned that it may entice someone to go into the basin and would recommend that there not be extra lighting.

Assistant Village Manager Bogue noted that response to alerts was an issue that warranted further discussion with the Police and Fire Departments, and Ecom.

Quinlan noted that they can provide demos of the technology in person or via Zoom.

Trustee Mustafa commented that with regard to the Heather Hill detention basin, the bottom cannot be seen from the street or sidewalk, whereas the bottom of Leavitt's basin can be seen from the street so she thought further discussion was warranted about how sensitive AI would be and would it detect something at the bottom.

Trustee Mitros inquired about the space and the consequences of someone going in the basin as there needs to be some mechanism to make the space off limits for people given that the purpose of the fence and the cameras is to keep people out of the basin.

Acting Village Attorney Karl R. Ottosen responded that the Village will need to post something as 'no trespassing' or there would be nothing to enforce.

Mayor Nelson noted that there are residents who told her that they do not want 'no trespassing' signs all over the fence they don't want.

Trustee Daggett noted further discussion about how to handle these situations, including with public safety for them to help figure out, was in order.

Trustee Bradley-Scott commented that the Village cannot weaponize the fence and make it where the Village would punish the children or others because from what she understands there is an education component to it and the school district is currently looking at how to educate students on the wildlife and the plant life there, and a student could be so curious about what they learn they may want to go back with their parents. So, the Board needs to fully look at this from all standpoints.

Village Manager Wachtel explained that the only access will be from authorized personnel, public works, public safety, and school administration (i.e. for errant ball retrieval) and there will be no field trips inside the basin. Signage on the fence will include 'do not enter' signage 'for access, please contact Public Works and that the Village's engineers have put together educational signage as referenced so that anyone who walks up to the basin will know about the natural vegetation and its purpose and how it absorbs the additional water that can accumulate in the basin. There will be signage around the basin, but it will be clear from all sides of the basin.

Other Business:

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Trustee Mustafa noted Pastor Doyle's mention of the elderly and that she previously contacted Assistant Village Manager Bogue about resources for the elderly. Trustee Mustafa suggested that the Village find some way to make the resources that Mayor Nelson shared from time to time with Flossmoor residents because they are not offered through the Village and are from partner communities.

Trustee Bradley-Scott recognized the Village's Veterans, including Clerk LoGalbo and the Flossmoor Veterans Memorial, Inc. Commission for the Veteran Honor Wall Project. The group has made trips to the SD 161 schools, particularly Parker and charged the students to do a project honoring the Veterans and the Honor Wall coming to the area, and it brought a different conversation to know Veterans in the community and their knowledge about this project. She thanked Clerk LoGalbo and the group for their work and to all of the Veterans who have served our country.

Trustee Daggett thanked the Police and Fire Departments for all of the very visible presence they had on Halloween and that it was like a community holiday or event where neighbors were interacting with each other.

Acting Village Attorney Karl R. Ottosen reminded everyone that tomorrow was the last day to vote.

Mayor Nelson stated that last Friday, she met with several other Mayors from the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association and Cook County Board President Tony Preckwinkle where they discussed property taxes. The Mayors were all very upset with the property tax hike that many are facing, and they asked her about ways that they can get those taxes lowered. Mayor Nelson noted that one of the requests was made to use Cook County ARPA funding to reduce taxes and also set up a philanthropic trust to help reduce taxes on a state level. The Mayors asked for the property tax floor exemption to be removed so that nobody is paying zero property taxes. Mayor Nelson noted that State Representative Anthony DeLuca proposed directing money that's going towards migrant services to be redirected to helping with this property tax crisis, and Representative William Davis has been doing some great work to increase state funding for schools as right now state funding for schools is it about 33 % and it needs to be closer to 51% and Rep. Davis has moved the needle every year on that and the Village appreciates his efforts. But shifting some of that responsibility on to the state would be appreciated. Locally, consolidation of services as always was a question, and Village Manager Wachtel is leading the effort to consolidate 911 services between Ecom and SouthCom Dispatch, which would be helpful.

Mayor Nelson noted that the Village is pushing forward on economic development to help spread the property tax burden among more property owners and hopefully by the end of the year the Board will have two exciting new developments to present to everybody along Flossmoor Road and Vollmer Road. The Village is also continuing to push for grants to reduce what the Village is spending on infrastructure and get federal and state help with those needs.

Mayor Nelson thanked everyone for being at the meeting and wished Happy Veterans Day to the Veterans out there including Clerk LoGalbo.

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Mayor Nelson referred to Agenda Item #6 – A Motion to go into Executive Session to Discuss the Employment of Specific Individuals, Property Acquisition and Litigation. Mayor Nelson called for a motion to go into Executive Session to Discuss the Employment of Specific Individuals, Property Acquisition and Litigation. Trustee Bradley-Scott so moved, seconded by Trustee Daggett.

Mayor Nelson called for a vote on the motion as presented. Motion passed by a roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Bradley-Scott, Daggett, Driscoll, Lofton, Mitros, and Mustafa.

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

NAYS: None

The Board entered executive session at 9:04 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 9:28 p.m.

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

AYES: Trustees Bradley-Scott, Daggett, Driscoll, Lofton, Mitros, and Mustafa.

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

NAYS: None

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gina A. LoGalbo

Village Clerk