

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING OCTOBER 28, 2013**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Hosty, Hoskins, Mannix, Harris and Mayor Calderone answered the Roll Call.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Mannix that the minutes from the October 15, 2013, Regular meeting of the Council be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hosty, Hoskins, Mannix, Harris
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Finance Department submitted its September report.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Mannix that the Resolution for the payment of bills be adopted. The Commissioner of Accounts and Finance has reviewed the bills as applicable to each department and found the aggregate amounts to be correct and recommends payment when funds are available. The bills totaled \$964,216.70.

**R-54-13
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$964,216.70
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hosty, Hoskins, Mannix, Harris and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Bob Grapenthien from the auditing firm of Crowe Horwath, LLP presented the Annual Financial Report and Single Audit for the year ended April 30, 2013 to the Village Council. Mr. Grapenthien gave a financial overview and opinion of the Village’s Financial Statements. The audit revealed that the Village is in compliance with the State of Illinois and the Federal Government requirements and advised that Forest Park received an unqualified or clean opinion. The general fund has a healthy balance with about 2 month’s expenditures in the fund balance. Mr. Grapenthien further opined that the village is heading in a strong direction and commended staff for the accomplishment of completing the audit by October 31st.

**PRESENTATION OF FY13
ANNUAL AUDIT BY CROWE
HORWATH LLC**

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Mannix to authorize and ratify the Mayor’s signature on the following agreements relative to Community Center events:

**MOTION RATIFYING
COMMUNITY CENTER
AGREEMENTS
APPROVED**

- Frankenmuth Brewery
- Mid-America Charter Lines – 2 agreements
- Chicago Classic Coach – 4 agreements

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hosty, Hoskins, Mannix, Harris and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

None

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Hosty recognized Village Administrator, Tim Gillian, and Finance Director, Letitia Olmsted on the completion of the audit and commented that the audit process under Ms. Olmsted's control for the first complete fiscal year went very smoothly.

Commissioner Harris reported that he met with Cook County officials regarding the Altenheim property and was advised that the county is not interested in purchasing the property.

ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to recess for the purpose of convening a Comprehensive Plan Workshop with the Forest Park Plan Commission Members.

RECESS AT 7:20 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hosty, Hoskins, Mannix, Harris and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mannix and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to reconvene.

RECONVENE AT 7:38 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hosty, Hoskins, Mannix, Harris and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Carrie Hanson of Images, Inc. facilitated a workshop with the Village Council and Plan Commission Members, Paul Barbahen, Chair, Diane Brown, Jeff Chan, Sam Tarara and Kevin Harnett. The purpose of the workshop was to receive input and participation from the Village Council and Plan Commission members as part of the process of updating the Forest Park Comprehensive Plan. Members contributed feedback on issues and created language for goals and objectives in dealing with the issues and opportunities. In closing it was announced that the next step in the process will be a Visioning Workshop to be held on November 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. After that, a Community Survey will be presented for input.

**JOINT COMPREHENSIVE
PLAN UPDATE WORKSHOP
WITH PLAN COMMISSION AND
IMAGES, INC.**

In addition, Mayor Calderone will follow up on his conversation today with Oak Park Village President Abu-Taleb regarding collaboration between the municipalities as Oak Park is also updating their comprehensive plan.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Hosty seconded to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 10:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk