

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY JUNE 14, 2022
VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: President Hofeld called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Hofeld led trustees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Clerk Marilyn Thomas called the roll. Those present were Village President Richard Hofeld, Trustee Cece Belue, Trustee Karen Washington, Trustee Vivian Harris-Jones, Trustee Lauren Roman, and Trustee Jay Heiferman. Trustee Lisa Purcell was absent.

President Hofeld introduced staff present: Village Manager Napoleon Haney, Attorney Christopher Cummings, and Economic Development Director Angela Mesaros.

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of May 24, 2022, were presented. There were no comments or corrections.

A motion was made by Trustee Roman and seconded by Trustee Harris-Jones to approve the minutes as presented.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Belue, Washington, Harris-Jones, Heiferman and Roman. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

CLAIMS LIST: The Claims List in the amount of \$906,238.45 was presented. There were no questions from the Trustees.

A motion was made by Trustee Roman and seconded by Trustee Washington to approve the Claims List as presented.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Belue, Washington, Harris-Jones, Heiferman and Roman. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

President Hofeld said four items totaled 75 percent of the Claims List: \$222,505.13 to the City of Harvey for Lake Michigan water; \$232,741.95 for the June payment for employee insurance; \$78,605.46 to Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District; \$141,652.93 to K-Five Construction for street repairs.

HEAR FROM THE AUDIENCE: President Hofeld invited anyone in the audience to discuss any item not on the agenda. No one addressed the board.

APPOINTMENT: A motion was made by Trustee Roman and seconded by Trustee Washington to approve the appointment of Sharon Sedgwick to the Beautification Committee for five years serving through June 14, 2027, and Margaret O'Brien to the Economic Development Committee for two years serving through June 14, 2024.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Belue, Washington, Harris-Jones, Roman and Heiferman. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

Ms. O'Brien was present and was sworn into office by Clerk Thomas.

REAPPOINTMENT: A motion was made by Trustee Roman and seconded by Trustee Washington to approve the reappointment of Laurie Klupchak to the Beautification Committee for five years serving through June 14, 2027.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Belue, Washington, Harris-Jones, Roman and Heiferman. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: SPECIAL USE AND PARKING VARIANCE: The board was asked to pass ordinance M-2222 granting a special use permit to allow operation of barbershop suites at 18159 Dixie Highway, and grant a parking variance for two spaces. Director Mesaros said the property, now used as an insurance office, will be subdivided. The front portion will continue to be an office, but the back portion will be divided for two barber suites. Customers will come by appointment to the barbershop, so congestion will be limited. The property has three parking spots at the back of the building, but seven spaces (one for the office and six for the barbershops) are required. Parking is available along Dixie Highway and in village owned lots. According to the zoning ordinance, the site can be credited with two additional spaces from available public parking, leaving the proposed use still in need of two spaces or a parking variance.

A motion was made by Trustee Washington and seconded by Trustee Harris-Jones to approve the special use permit and parking variance for the property at 18159 Dixie Highway.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Belue, Washington, Harris-Jones, Roman and Heiferman. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

OPENING OF ALTERNATE BIDS: Relating to potential sale and redevelopment of a portion of the Village Hall parking lot at 2024 Chestnut Road, Manager Haney said no alternate bids were received for the property by the 5 p.m. June 14 submission deadline.

A motion was made by Trustee Washington and seconded by Trustee Roman instructing staff to begin negotiations with HCF Homewood LLC for the purchase and sale agreement and redevelopment agreement for the property that now is used as a village parking lot.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Belue, Washington, Harris-Jones, Roman and Heiferman. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION: Trustee Heiferman inquired about the status of the village's proposed flag policy and the opportunity for public comment. President Hofeld said the item would be on an upcoming board meeting agenda for consideration.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Washington and seconded by Trustee Roman to move to Executive Session to discuss employment of a specific employee or employees; and a semi-annual review of closed session minutes.

Roll Call: AYES—Trustees Belue, Washington, Harris-Jones, Roman and Heiferman. NAYS –None. Motion carried.

The board moved to Executive Session at 7:12 p.m.

The Village Board returned from Executive Session at 7:26 p.m.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Trustee Washington and seconded by Trustee Roman to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m. on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Thomas

Village Clerk