Mayor Hermanek called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with a Pledge of Allegiance and a Roll Call. In attendance were Trustee Bianco, Trustee Czajka, Trustee Decosola, Trustee Demopoulos and Trustee Wilt. Trustee Mengoni was absent.

Others in attendance were Administrator Belmonte, Finance Director Scarpiniti, Recreation Director Michalik, Police Chief Niemann, Fire Chief Basek and Attorney Hayes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Demopoulos moved, seconded by Trustee Bianco to approve the agenda for this meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Wilt
NAYS: None. Motion carried
ABSENT: Trustee Mengoni

BIDS- None

CASH RECEIPT REPORT

Trustee Wilt moved, seconded by Trustee Demopoulos to accept the Cash Receipt Report for the month of December, 2015 as presented in the amount of $2,198,436.55. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Wilt
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
ABSENT: Trustee Mengoni

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Trustee Demopoulos moved, seconded by Trustee Bianco to approve the January 4, 2016 Village Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Decosola, Demopoulos, Wilt
ABSTAIN: Trustee Czajka
ABSENT: Trustee Mengoni
NAYS: None. Motion carried
REPORT OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Bianco (Streets, Alleys, Sidewalks & Refuse) - No report

Trustee Czajka (Buildings Public Grounds, Lights, Public Services & Transportation)

Trustee Czajka read the following minutes from the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting held on November 19, 2015 as follows:

There were six (6) members present from the Planning Commission and seven (7) members present from the Zoning Board to discuss the property located at the southeast corner of Cermak Road and DesPlaines Avenue, with a B-3 zoning. It is boarded to the north by property zoned CEM that is developed as a cemetery; on the south by R-1 and R-2 zoning districts and on the east by R-1 and B-1 districts. The property is approximately 0.622 acres.

The Planning Commission and Zoning Board conducted the hearing, which began at approximately 7:00 pm at the Village Commons. Mr. Robert Houpy presented testimony on behalf of the applicant.

The applicant is the owner of 7921 W. Cermak Road, which contains a lawful non-conforming commercial building on it. Remodeling of the existing structure commenced in 2007 under different owner but was not completed and left abandoned due to foreclosure filed against site. The applicant desires to expand the existing structure from five (5) tenant spaces to nine (9) spaces, with the intent to attract a national chain businesses or a medical facility. Due to the design of the property and location of the existing structure on the lot, the applicant requires relief to develop the lot.

Staff provided the ZBA and the PC with a background of the property and the variance approval required.

The PC and the ZBA approved a variance to Section 7.04.E and Section 11.02.B of the North Riverside Zoning Ordinance under a unanimous vote by both Boards. The variance allows for enlargement of the legal non-conforming structure and a rear yard setback of less than fifteen feet (15’) for the addition on the property at 7921 W. Cermak Road, under the issuance and approval of all required permits.

Trustee Czajka moved, seconded by Trustee Decosola to concur with the Findings & Recommendations of the Plan Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals granting variances for the property located at 7921 W. Cermak Road. Roll Call Vote:
REPORT OF TRUSTEES (continued)

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Wilt
NAYS: None. Motion carried
ABSENT: Trustee Mengoni

Trustee Czajka expressed her gratitude to the Village Board, staff and all the residents for all of their support that was given over the years on behalf of her husband Randy.

Trustee Decosola (Judiciary, Ordinances, Recreation)

Trustee Decosola read a brief report from the Recreation Committee as follows:

The 2016 Winter Basketball League is underway with 31 teams serving almost 300 children. This is our biggest league thus far. The Department has recently added a girls' league for the first time boasting 5 teams. We are grateful to Komarek for providing the extra practice space.

Three full-time employees will be attending the annual Illinois Parks and Recreation Association Conference at the end of this month. Conference sessions will take place on Friday and Saturday with a vast range of topics.

Summer Day Camp registration will begin on February 1st for returning campers and February 15th for all new participants. Registration will be held during the normal business hours.

Trustee Demopoulos (Water, Sewers, Drainage & Zoning)

Trustee Demopoulos submitted the Brookfield North Riverside Water Commission Meeting Minutes and Agenda from the January 13, 2016 meeting with the Clerk's Office.

Trustee Mengoni (Police, Fire & License)-Absent

Trustee Wilt (Finance, Health & Appropriations)

Trustee Wilt called for a Finance Committee Meeting on January 26th at 6:00 pm.
MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Hermanek expressed his deepest sympathy to the Czajka family, Durec Family and the Mengoni Family.

The following is an update of construction projects and permits issued from December 14th through today’s date:

- **Presales** - The Community Development Department performed 10 single-family presale inspections and one multi-family inspection totaling $4,483.75 in revenue.

- **Permit Totals** – The Community Development Department issued 17 residential and commercial permits totaling $6,243.40 in revenue.

- **Cinnabon’s (North Riverside Park Mall)** – Opened for business on December 23rd.

- **Raising Cane’s** – On January 5th, the Village Administrator and Community Development staff met with representatives for Raising Cane’s to discuss the development of a standalone building on Lot #3 of the Costco Development site. The national chain restaurant originates out of Louisiana, with currently 300 stores nationwide. The North Riverside restaurant will be the second to open in Illinois, with the first store currently going through the permit process in the Village of Oak Lawn. Raising Cane’s operates on a concept of quality, not quantity, with a limited menu of 3, 4 or 6 piece chicken finger meals or a chicken sandwich. The restaurant will seat 158 people and have a drive-up window. They plan to open in fall of this year, with construction drawings expected to be submitted to the village in February or March.

- **Lovesick (North Riverside Park Mall)** – Lovesick is a brand of girls jeans and shorts sold by Hot Topic, which is a national chain clothing store currently located in the mall. Due to the popularity of the Lovesick brand, Hot Topic has decided to open a separate store for exclusive sale of the clothing. Cost of construction is listed at $110,000.

- **Mia’s Beauty Salon** – Opened for business in December at 9147 W. Cermak Road

- **Virtuous Salon & Spa** – Obtained a Certificate of Occupant to open in the tenant space at 9161 W. Cermak Road.

- **Big Dollar (North Riverside Park Mall)** – closed for business in January.

Mayor Hermanek congratulated Sgt. Mike Champion on his retirement from the Police Department after 30 years of service. There will be cake and coffee served on Wednesday, January 20th at 8:00 at the Police Department. All are welcome to attend.
CORRESPONDENCE- None

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Wilt moved, seconded by Trustee Demopoulos to approve the list of bills submitted for this meeting totaling $368,520.15 and to have the bills paid out of proper funds when such funds become available. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Wilt
NAYS: None. Motion carried
ABSENT: Trustee Mengoni

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Trustee Czajka moved, seconded by Trustee Bianco to approve and Ordinance Granting Variances for Certain Property Located at 7921 W. Cermak Road (16-O-01) and to waive the reading. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Wilt
NAYS: None. Motion carried
ABSENT: Trustee Mengoni

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS- None

AUDIENCE

John Bork addressed the board about his concerns regarding Cardinal Liquors and video gaming. Mayor Hermanek, Administrator Belmonte and Chief Niemann explained to him that there is a limit to the amount of alcohol disbursed at the location and it is a State Law. Patrons that are using the gaming machines will not be purchasing bottled liquor that is normally sold and consuming it at the establishment.
ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Czajka moved, seconded by Trustee Decosola for adjournment of this meeting at 7:16 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

KATHY RANIERI
VILLAGE CLERK