

**VILLAGE OF NORTH RIVERSIDE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MARCH 21, 2016
COUNCIL ROOM 7:00 PM**

Mayor Hermanek called the meeting to order with a Pledge of Allegiance and a Roll Call. In attendance were Trustee Bianco, Trustee Czajka, Trustee Decosola, Trustee Demopoulos, Trustee Mengoni and Trustee Wilt.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Mengoni, Wilt

NAYS: None. Motion carried

BIDS- None

CASH RECEIPT REPORT

Trustee Wilt moved and Trustee Demopoulos seconded to accept the Cash Receipt Report for the month of February 2016 in the amount of \$1,665,135.44. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Mengoni, Wilt

NAYS: None. Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Demopoulos moved, seconded by Trustee Mengoni to approve the March 7, 2016, 2016 Village Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Wilt

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 stated that the Village has received the Agreement for Engineering Services for Preliminary Design and Construction Engineering from Frank Novotny & Associates for Phase 2 of the 1st Avenue Bike Path. The Phase 2 portion of the Bike Path will connect the 26th Street path to the Phase 1 bike path which runs from 31st Street to 1st Avenue to Riverside Brookfield High School. As stated in the current edition of the North Riverside Newsletter, this is made possible with the help of Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and 16th District Commissioner Jeff Tolbolski who appropriated the \$750,000 needed to finish this project.

Trustee Czajka moved seconded by Trustee Bianco to Authorize the Mayor and Village Clerk to sign an Agreement for Engineering Services for Phase 2 of the 1st Avenue Bike Path. Roll Call Vote:

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

Trustee Decosola- (Judiciary, Ordinances, Recreation)

Trustee Decosola read the following report from the Parks and Recreation Department:

The Parks and Recreation Department successfully hosted its Bunny Bingo on Friday March 11th with over 170 in attendance. We are hoping to bring this back as a family staple.

Mother Son Dance entertained 75 attendees this past Friday for a night of dinner, dancing, activities and dessert. Please visit the Facebook Page for pictures of this event.

On Saturday, staff represented the Village Administration and Parks and Recreation Department at the HONR Community Fair. The event allowed the department to reach out to new clientele and boast about all of our offerings.

Sunday, the department operated the Kid's Indoor Flea Market with close to 40 vendors. Both buyers and sellers seemed to be pleased with the variety and community response.

The Parks and Recreation Department is currently taking day camp registrations for all ages. Select weeks in Adventure Camp have already been put on a waitlist. If you know of anyone interested in summer day camp, please have them register soon.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES(continued)

Trustee Demopoulos(Water, Sewers, Drainage & Zoning)

Trustee Demopoulos submitted the Brookfield North Riverside Water Commission Meeting Minutes and Agenda from the March 9, 2016 meeting with the Clerk's Office.

Trustee Mengoni- (Police, Fire & License)

Trustee Mengoni reminded residents that the Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday March 26th starting at 10:00am. This event is sponsored by the Police Department.

Trustee Mengoni also stated that he was happy to report that after 5 hours of negotiations today, the Village's negotiating team (consisting of Administrator Belmonte, Finance Director Scarpiniti, Police Chief Niemann, Deputy Chief Garcia and the Village Attorneys) has reached a "tentative agreement" with the Telecommunicator's Union. The new agreement is for a 4-year contract beginning December 1, 2015 and ending November 30, 2019. Within the next week, the "tentative agreement" should be signed off by both parties and the Village Administrator will prepare a summary of the major terms and concessions agreed upon for distribution to the entire Board. The contract will be presented to the Village Board at a future meeting for approval once ratified by the union members.

Trustee Wilt (Finance, Health & Appropriations)

Trustee Wilt reminded the residents that vehicle stickers are available at the Village Commons and should be displayed on all vehicles by April 30th.

MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Hermanek stated that the HONR Club held a Resource Fair this past Saturday at Komarek School and was well attended not only by residents but businesses, organizations, our Recreation Department and Police and Fire Departments.

Mayor Hermanek also mentioned that as of today, 125 households have signed up for the Rain Barrel Program (282 barrels). The barrels should be delivered within the next four weeks.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Chicago International Christian Church submitted a request to solicit funds at the intersections of 1st Avenue and Cermak Road on April 2nd from 9am-6pm.

Trustee Mengoni moved and Trustee Wilt seconded to approve the request from the Chicago International Christian Church. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Wilt moved, seconded by Trustee Demopoulos to approve the list of bills submitted for this meeting totaling \$135,544.30 and to have them paid out of proper funds when such funds become available. Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Trustees Bianco, Czajka, Decosola, Demopoulos, Mengoni, Wilt

NAYS: None. Motion carried

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS- None

UNFNISHED BUSINESS-None

NEW BUSINESS- None

AUDIENCE

Barbara Wilson thanked the Mayor and the Handyman Program for helping her out with her issues at home.

Jim Zak thanked the Mayor, Village Board, Carol Spale and the Neighborhood Services Committee for honoring him with the "Angel Award."

Respectfully Submitted,

**KATHY RANIERI
VILLAGE CLERK**