

MINUTES of a regular meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Skokie, Cook County, Illinois held in the Council Chambers at 5127 Oakton Street at 8 p.m. on Monday June 7, 2021



Until further notice, public comments will only be received electronically, in order to comply with the State of Illinois Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation. Members of the public who wish to comment as to an item on the published agenda or to comment during public comments must submit their statement or question in writing to the Village Manager's Office and all properly submitted statements or questions will be presented and read during the relevant portion of the meeting. Written comments may be submitted by email to publiccomments@skokie.org before or during the meetings; by mail to Village of Skokie, Village Manager's Office, 5127 Oakton Street, Skokie, Illinois, 60077; or via the Village's drop box located by the public entry to Village Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Village Clerk Pramod C. Shah.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the Roll. Those present were Trustees Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein Mayor Van Dusen. Trustee Pure Slovin was joined by remote electronic access. Motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item B on the Corporation Counsel's report. Mayor Van Dusen also stated that James Specker will not be removed from the Human Relations Commission. He explained that the Village of Skokie has a long-time practice that Elected Official can not serve on Village Board and Commission.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Klein

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

*Approve, as submitted, minutes of regular meeting held Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

Omnibus vote.

*Approve Voucher List #2-FY22 of June 7, 2021.

Omnibus vote

Proclamations and Resolutions.

A. Proclamations

*National Gun Violence Awareness Day – June 4, 2021

Juneteenth – June 18-19, 2021

Mayor Van Dusen read a Proclamation urging all residents to recognize the significance of this celebration in African American history and in the heritage of our nation and Village.

Brian Williams from Skokie United spoke about the celebrations on Friday June 18th at 6 pm at the Village Green, Saturday June 19th 2-5 p.m. at Devonshire Park and 6-9 p.m. Sketchbook Brewing Co.

* Appointments, Reappointments and Resignations.

A. Appointments

Appearance Commission: Joseph Maschek

Commission on Family Services: Harry Litberg

Economic Development Commission: Megan Bunimovich, Michael Delanois and Curt Hansen

Human Relations Commission: Daphnee Camilien, Jaili Fajardo, Jonathan Lavin and Jim McVane

Plan Commission: Talia Gevaryahu and Mike Shah

Sustainable Environmental Advisory Commission: Alma Likic

Telecommunications & Technology Commission: Syed Mahmood

Zoning Board of Appeals: Richard Perlin as Vice Chair

B. Reappointments

Beautification & Improvement Commission: Ferdinand Soco as Chair

Consumer Affairs: Biju Krishnan as Vice Chair and Joanne Haeberlin as Chair

Police Pension Board: Harold Primack

Public Safety Commission: Mark Penning as Vice Chair and Paul Pitalis as Chair

C. Resignations

Board of Health: Ashley Moy-Wooten

Commission on Family Services: Rebecca Abraham

Consumer Affairs: Syed Mahmood

Human Relations Commission: Michael Delanois and James Specker

Zoning Board of Appeals: Mike Shah

Omnibus vote.

Report of the Village Manager.

A. Interior/Exterior TIF Rehabilitation Program Grant for 8038 Lincoln Avenue – Take Flight Spirits, LLC.

Motion to concur with staff's recommendation and request Mayor and Board approval of the interior/exterior rehab improvement grant estimated at not to exceed amount of \$99,250.

Moved: Trustee Klein

Seconded: Trustee Khoeun

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

B. Extension of Existing Agreement for Single Family Recycling Collection.

Motion to concur with staff's recommendation that the Village enter into two one-year extensions with Lakeshore Recycling Systems for the collection, transportation and processing of recyclables with the recommended pricing.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Robinson

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

Report of the Corporation Counsel.

CONSENT:

*A. Resolution 21-6-R-1505

Motion to adopt a resolution approving a plat of subdivision for the property located at 3500 Oakton Street, Skokie, Illinois, in an M3 Industry district (2021-08P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

B. Ordinance 21-6—Z-4554

Trustee Johnson removed this from the Consent Agenda.

An ordinance amending the Zoning Map with regard to the property located at 9016 Gross Point Road, Skokie, Illinois, from an M2 Light Industry district to a B2 Commercial district (2021-09P).

Moved: Trustee Klein

Seconded: Trustee Sutker

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: Johnson.

Absent: None.

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*C. Ordinance 21-6-Z-4555

Motion to adopt an ordinance granting a special use permit to allow a limited-service restaurant With drive-through at 3654 Touhy Avenue, Skokie, Illinois, in a B2 Commercial district and relief from Chapter 82, Sections 82-28(b)(1)a. and 82-22(b)(1) of the Skokie Village Code (2021-11P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

*D. Ordinance 21-6-Z-4556

Motion to adopt an ordinance granting a special use permit to allow a limited-service restaurant With outdoor dining at 3654 Touhy Avenue, Skokie, Illinois in a B2 Commercial district (2021-12P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

E. Executive Session

Motion to approve the Corporation Counsel’s request for an executive session in accordance with paragraph 2(c)(11) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act pertaining to the review and discussion of pending litigation at the end of the regular meeting and to adjourn therefrom.

Moved: Trustee Klein **Seconded: Trustee Sutker**

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

Plan Commission.

A. Plan Commission Case 2020-12P – Special Use Permit: 5550 Howard Street.

Motion to concur with the Plan Commission that the petitioner’s request for a special use permit for outdoor storage at 5550 Howard Street be approved subject to all conditions.

Moved: Trustee Sutker **Seconded: Trustee Khoeun**

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

Public Comment.

Maggie Vandermeer, Elaine Vincent, and Matt Temkin commented on the Village of Skokie policy that prevents elected officials from being appointed to Village Boards and Commissions.

Matt Temkin also commented on Village of Skokie celebrating Juneteenth and rezoning of 9008-9018 Gross Point Rd.

Eric Poders, Morton Grove, Illinois commented on a vehicle problem that he had Firestone Complete Auto at 8801 Skokie Blvd. Skokie, IL.

Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 8:47 p.m.

Moved: Trustee Sutker **Seconded: Trustee Klein**

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

Pramod Shah, Village Clerk

Approved:

Mayor George Van Dusen

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Closed Session

A Closed Session was held in the main floor conference room at 8:50 p.m. Those present were Mayor Van Dusen, Clerk Shah, Trustees Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, and Klein. Also present were Assistant Corporation Counsel McCarthy, Manager Lockerby, Assistant Manager Wyatt, and Risk Manager Prottsman. The meeting ended at 9:17 p.m.

Items marked with an asterisk (*) indicate they are part of the Consent Agenda that contains routine items or items which have already been discussed by the Mayor and Board at a previous public meeting and require a second reading. Items on the Consent Agenda are passed in one vote at the beginning of the Board Meeting. Prior to the vote on the Consent Agenda, the Mayor will inquire if there is any matter which anyone wishes to remove from the Consent Agenda. If there is an item on the Consent Agenda which you wish to address, please inform the Mayor at that time you wish to remove it from the Consent Agenda.

