

**VILLAGE OF MAYWOOD  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2014**

**ORIGINAL**

**1. Call to Order**

The Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, October 7, 2014 was called to order by Mayor Edwenna Perkins at 7:01 p.m., in the Council Chambers at 125 South 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Maywood, IL 60153.

**2. Roll Call**

Upon roll call by Viola Mims, Village Clerk, the following answered **Present:** Mayor Edwenna Perkins, Trustee(s) C. Ealey-Cross, A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers. **Absent:** None. **There being a Quorum Present, the Meeting was called to order.**

**Staff Attendance:**

David Myers, Acting Village Manager  
Michael Marrs, Village Attorney  
Craig Bronaugh, Fire Chief  
Valdimir Talley Jr., Chief of Police  
Elijah Willis, Deputy Chief of Police  
John West, Public Works Director  
Lanya Satchell, Finance Director  
JoAnn Murphy, Deputy Village Clerk  
Jonette Greenhow, Executive Assistant

**3. Invocation:** Mr. Robert Jay gave the Invocation.

**4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

Everyone remained standing and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**5. Oaths, Reports, Proclamations, Announcements and Appointments**

**A. Mayor's Report:**

Trustee Ealey-Cross, on behalf of Mayor Perkins and the Board of Trustees, presented a Proclamation in recognition of Braun Paint Company, established in 1922, for being a valuable asset, a role model for good business, and their commitment to the Village of Maywood for over 90 years. The Proclamation was accepted by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Braun.

Mr. Myers read a letter from the residents of the 2000 S. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave block in recognition of Police Chief Talley and his department's assistance in addressing their concerns.

**1. Appointment of Frank Q. Antwi-Barfi to the Economic Development Commission.**

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE ROGERS AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE JAYCOX  
FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF FRANK Q. ANTWI-BARFI.**

**Discussion:** Trustee Lightford questioned if any information was available on Mr. Barfi and why the application was dated in February. Mayor Perkins responded the information was in the packet and Mr. Antwi-Barfi is a replacement for another so she pulled from the original applications she had received.

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) C. Ealey-Cross, A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, and R. Rivers.

**Nays:** Trustee M. Lightford

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

**Additional Discussion:** Trustee Rivers questioned what the situation with Mr. Theodore Matthews and Mr. Carl Malone was. He stated Mr. Matthews informed him he had not received any notice of appointment nor has been to the Clerk's office. Ms. Greenhow responded that Mr. Matthews' letter went out around the Monday after the Board approved his appointment back in March. Mayor Perkins stated she would get back to Trustee Rivers regarding Mr. Malone.

**B. Manager's Report:**

**1. Presentation by Police Chief Val Talley – 200 Day Report**

Chief Talley presented the Board with a 200 day review of the Maywood Police Department which included block club parties and development, training partnerships, grants and grant applications, flood management, audits of critical services, financial management, moving forward, union contracts, and new program implementation.

**Discussion:** Trustee Rivers questioned the sky-cam systems use to monitor fly-dumping, whether the Chief was able to secure personnel to monitor the system, stated he heard the flooding in the station was due to two (2) outdated pumps and wondered what was being done about it. Chief Talley stated he was just able to secure another telecommunications officer (TCO) but at the same time, a current TCO was down from the department so he is hoping to get a part-timer in to assist in reviewing the system, but as of now he is still short manpower for the task. Mr. West stated he removed two pumps for service that were clogged, and is looking at a line to the north, along with all other possible solutions to the situation, and hopes to get grinding pumps to solve the issue of the sewer back-up. Chief Talley stated he was looking into using a screen to keep the debris from building up in the current pumps but indicated that would only be a temporary fix. Trustee Dorris questioned if pruning had been done to the trees around the cameras, if it can be done in the fall so all will be ready in the spring, and wanted to know the reason for the delay of receiving the 17 computers. Chief Talley stated the trees were pruned but the foliage grew back and he did not know the reason for the delay with the computers in FY2014 and noted they are not budgeted for FY2015. Mr. West stated winter pruning is planned but it all depends on whether or not the financial resources are available. Trustee Ealey-Cross requested statistical back-up for his report, asked how many officers were trained in the senior service program, if they are capable of cross-training others, if the Police Department had any generators as a back-up when the flooding occurs, what the current status of the policy brought about by the Illinois State Police (ISP) and Cook County audit, and if the Board could receive an overview of tickets and an audit of critical services, when is the strategic plan scheduled to begin, and if the cameras could focus on license plates of those who dump trash from their cars. Chief Talley stated he would provide the Board with the statistical back-up but that he did not have it in front of him, one officer was trained and capable of cross-training others on the elderly services, which is his intention, so proper referrals to different agencies can occur if needed, and the station does have a generator that accommodates the whole building but it does not help with any of the flooding issues. He also stated he has a rough draft of a policy to be rolled out on January 1, 2015 with an effective date of February 1, 2015, and the current 2006 policy is still in place, the audits of critical services were emailed to the Board, but he would

resend it. Chief Talley stated he plans on rolling out his strategic plan on January 1, 2015, also stating, once he has proper staffing, the telecommunications department will address all situations recorded on the cameras, and invited the Board to sit in on a telecommunications shift for observation purposes. Mr. Myers stated he would forward the overview of tickets to the Board. Trustee Ealey-Cross made a request to follow up with residents in a more expeditious manner.

### **C. Finance Committee and Management Report(s):**

#### **1. Village of Maywood Open Invoice Report as of October 3, 2014**

**Discussion:** Trustee Ealey-Cross questioned items #30243 and #30383 (Arlington Resources Group), #17193-A (Cliff Printing), #22196 (Crystal Management), #27011 (Emergitech), #5994-97 (Jose Granados), #51035 and #51074 (Municipal Web Services), and #071014 and #071614 (SBC). Ms. Satchell stated #30243 and #30383 are for temporary services for the cashier position and the difference between the two is attributed to overtime, #17193-A is considered office supplies, #22196 was for cleaning services for both the Police Station and Village Hall, #27011 is under miscellaneous because that is where all the 911 expenses are placed, #51035 and #51074 are hosting fees but the company is available for maintenance if needed and they have nothing to do with the water payment system being down, and #071014 and #071614 long distance charges are incurred by miles, noting calls to Chicago show up as long distance. Mr. Myers stated these should be the last of the invoices due to Comcast being on line now. Mr. West stated he has had a discussion with Crystal Management regarding the Council Chambers and #5994-97 are for grass cutting at larger properties and were not part of the Summer Youth Program workload.

### **6. Approval of the Minutes**

#### **A. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees, Tuesday, September 16, 2014 and the Special Board Meeting of September 27, 2014.**

##### **1. MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE JAYCOX AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE DORRIS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING FROM TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2014.**

**Discussion:** Trustee Rogers asked for corrections to Item 9I, correcting the word "chauffeurs" to "coffers". **An Amended Motion follows:**

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE JAYCOX AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE DORRIS TO APPROVE THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2014, WITH THE NOTED CORRECTION.**

**Discussion:** None

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) C. Ealey-Cross, A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers.

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

##### **2. MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE DORRIS AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE JAYCOX TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 27, 2014.**

**Discussion:** None

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) C. Ealey-Cross, A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers,

M. Lightford and R. Rivers.

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

## 7. Approval of Warrants

### A. Warrant List No. 200377 - Approval of Expenditures totaling \$1,270,547.39 through October 3, 2014.

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE JAYCOX AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE DORRIS TO APPROVE THE WARRANT LIST NO. 200377 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH OCTOBER 3, 2014, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,270,547.39.**

**Discussion:** Trustee Lightford questioned item #84021 (Isiah Brandon), #84050 Dempsey Staffing Firm), #84162 (Edwenna Perkins), and #84175 (Ninetten.21, LLC). Trustee Lightford and Trustee Rivers questioned item #84203 (Isiah Brandon). Trustee Ealey-Cross questioned item #84019 (Home Depot). Ms. Satchell stated #84021 was for reimbursement for a steamer used to clean the rugs in the Council Chambers, #84050 was for temporary staffing at the Mayor's office at \$12.00 an hour, #84162 was reimbursement for conference expenses, and #84203 was payroll taken out of the \$35,000.00 expenditure for the grant program. Mayor Perkins stated #84175 was for flyers for the Back-to-School event. Chief Talley, in regards to #84019, stated they do have an inventory list of items purchased for the summer program.

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) C. Ealey-Cross, A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford, and R. Rivers

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

## 8. Old Business:

### A. Washington Blvd. 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project

Mr. Myers advised the Board the Washington Blvd. 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project will begin next week with main curb replacement starting on Friday, flat work (sidewalk, and driveway pavement) starting soon after, sewer restoration will begin next week and pavement milling is tentatively scheduled for October 27, 2014.

### B. Alley Grading

Mr. Myers updated the Board about the alley grading, stating the Village has secured milling which will be stored at 5<sup>th</sup> and Washington, flyers are ready to be distributed to the residents and Roy Strom will begin the work on Monday.

**Discussion:** Trustee Ealey-Cross stated she previously requested the total number of alleys. Mr. West stated they have surveyed 17 straight alley sections which are the equivalent to about 34 alleys placing milling at those locations today, and also stating they only surveyed the south end of town today, noting an additional 12 sections on the north end equivalent to 29 alleys brings the total to 58 alleys with some being graded to insure uniformity as opposed to truly needing to be graded. Trustee Ealey-Cross restated her request for the total number of alleys in the Village and how many of those will Roy Strom be grading. Mr. West stated he will get that information to the Board.

**C. Hiring of Village Manager**

Trustee Ealey-Cross stated she did not and has not agreed to the process since the former manager resigned his position. She stated they should not have gone through the hiring process when no one on the Board has had the experience to hire high level executives and the Board did not do their due diligence. Trustee Ealey-Cross stated this is the one position the Board is responsible for hiring and they have allowed the Attorney, the Acting Village Manger and the Human Resources Specialist to do the work the Board should have been doing. She stated being a member of the Illinois Municipal League (IML), as well as other organizations who could have assisted us for a fee, would have been well worth the dollars, and stated she provided the Board with a brochure from the IML outlining their suggestions for going through the process. She stated when the final results are in and you (the residents) are not pleased, one needs to see their Trustees. Trustee Rogers stated he took offense to Trustee Ealey-Cross' statements suggesting it was arbitrarily or sloppily done and stated there was a lot of due diligence performed. He stated the blanket statement that no one has the experience in hiring high level executives is not true and the Board has spent months working on this process, with advice, and council, and documentation, which he felt should be the case. Trustee Rogers stated one cannot know how much homework one has done off-line, outside of this room, and with months of scrutiny, how difficult making a decision, due to the experience and high quality of the candidates who are or have served in this capacity across the country, is. He stated there was a lot of thought and effort, and there will always be pros and cons, but to think the Board has chosen a candidate who is just a rookie, who has no experience, is not the case.

**9. Consideration to Approve Omnibus Agenda****A. MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE JAYCOX AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE DORRIS TO APPROVE THE OMNIBUS AGENDA ITEMS: A – S.**

**Discussion:** Trustee Ealey-Cross requested items L, M, and S be pulled from the Omnibus Agenda. **An Amended Motion follows:**

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE JAYCOX AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE DORRIS TO APPROVE THE OMNIBUS AGENDA ITEMS: A – S, MINUS ITEMS: L, M, AND S.**

**Discussion:** None

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) C. Ealey-Cross, A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers.

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

**B. Item L – Consideration to approve payment to Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins for Legal Retainer Services rendered during August 2014 in the amount of \$11,621.00.****MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE JAYCOX AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE RIVERS FOR CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO KLEIN, THORPE AND JENKINS FOR LEGAL RETAINER SERVICES RENDERED DURING AUGUST 2014 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,621.00.**

**Discussion:** None

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers.

**Nays:** Trustee C. Ealey-Cross

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

- C. **Item T - Consideration to approve payment to Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins for Legal Services rendered during August 2014 in the amount of \$15,222.13.**

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE DORRIS AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE LIGHTFORD TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO KLEIN, THORPE AND JENKINS FOR LEGAL SERVICES RENDERED DURING AUGUST 2014 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,222.13.**

**Discussion:** None

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers.

**Nays:** Trustee C. Ealey-Cross

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

- D. **Item S – Consideration to approve payment to DSW Homes for Illinois “IKE” Disaster Recovery Program (Grant) in the amount of \$29,801.87.**

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE RIVERS AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE LIGHTFORD TO CONSIDER PAYMENT TO DSW HOMES FOR ILLINOIS “IKE” DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM (GRANT) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,801.87.**

**Discussion:** Trustee Ealey-Cross stated she had requested information on the procedures for the approval of these funds from the State of Illinois. Mr. Myers stated he sent this information out a few months ago and he would resend it to Trustee Ealey-Cross.

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers.

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** Trustee C. Ealey-Cross

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

**10. New Business:**

- A. **Consideration to approve an Honorary Street Sign for Mr. Anthony J. Thomas – Village of Maywood Former Coordinator of Compliance Officer and waive the application fee.**

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE ROGERS AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE LIGHTFORD TO APPROVE THIS PETITION FOR AN HONORARY STREET SIGN FOR MR. ANTHONY J. THOMAS – A LONG TIME EMPLOYEE AND RESIDENT OF THIS VILLAGE.**

**Discussion:** Trustee Ealey-Cross requested the Board to hold off until we have a village manger, due to the documents that were presented with the application, along with others that have been presented in the last 12 months, not being complete and in compliance with our ordinances, stating Board (Traffic and Safety) members are signing off in duplicate rolls. Trustee Dorris requested confirmation that the documents presented are what is used to request an honorary street sign and asked the Clerk for validation that the documents that led up to this Resolution being generated are in her office. Trustee Jaycox stated the Board would consider taking up the question of the practice and procedures of the Traffic and Safety Commission but felt they should proceed with the approval, and also requested clarification on what Board member was acting in dual roles. Trustee Rogers stated his motion was made in the name of honor and felt that this Village will not move forward if every typographical error (typo) is brought up to disgrace it. Mr. Myers stated the form was the correct document for the request for an honorary street designation which was also included in the Legal, License, and Ordinance Committee (LLOC) packet, Clerk

Mims advised that the Resolution needed to be included in the motion, Deputy Clerk Murphy confirmed the Ordinance that led to the Resolution was signed and on file in the Clerk's Office, and Attorney Marrs confirmed the need for the Resolution to be included with the motion.

Trustee Dorris requested the roll be called. **An amended motion follows.**

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE ROGERS AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE RIVERS TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION GIVING THE 1800 BLOCK THROUGH 2100 BLOCK OF SOUTH 13<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE AN HONORARY STREET DESIGNATION IN MEMORY OF ANTHONY "TONY" THOMAS AND ANY ASSOCIATED FEES BE WAIVED.**

**Discussion:** Trustee Ealey-Cross asked for clarification on a statement made by Mayor Perkins regarding the designation remaining for two years. She also stated her comments are not meant to disrespect or dishonor anyone but to perform her duties as a sitting member of this Board.

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers.

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** Trustee C. Ealey-Cross

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

**B. Consideration to approve payment to USA Water and Fire Restoration for repairs to the 200 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Building.**

John West gave an overview of the items completed at the 200 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. building indicating 90% of the flooring, the cabinetry upstairs and downstairs, the rubber flooring in the weight room, 95% of the gym floor, and all the drywall and painting had been completed, noting the urinals, carpeting and elevator have yet to be completed.

**Discussion:** Trustee Rogers requested a timeline for completion of the project. Trustee Rivers sought confirmation of the insurance covering this bill. Trustee Ealey-Cross requested clarification on the roof issue and the completion of the project. Mr. West stated the project would be completed about two weeks after payment is received indicating the building still would not be ready for use due to a side issue of a structural nature causing water to enter the building and no roofer will start work until the structural issues, which are being addressed, are corrected. Mr. Myers confirmed the vendor is close to completing the work having walked the building himself, and insurance is covering the cost with the exception of two (2) \$20,000.00 deductibles which are the responsibility of the Village.

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE JAYCOX AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ROGERS FOR CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO USA WATER AND FIRE RESTORATION FOR REPAIRS TO THE 200 S. 5<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE BUILDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$647,979.18.**

**Discussion:** None

**Ayes:** Mayor Perkins, Trustee(s) A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers.

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** Trustee C. Ealey-Cross

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

**11. Public Comments**

**Comments from the Public** – Comments were made by the following individuals: G. Clay, W. Kyle, L. Redmond, and S. Braddock. Comments are available upon request in the Clerk's Office.

**Response to Public Comments** – Mayor Perkins, Mr. Myers, Mr. West and Chief Talley responded to Public Comments. Comments are available upon request in the Clerk’s Office.

**12. Executive Session:**

**MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE ROGERS AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE LIGHTFORD TO RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:46 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING:**

- Appointment, Employment, Compensation and Performance of Village Employees / Village Manager Candidates.

**Discussion:** None

**Ayes:** Mayor Edwenna Perkins, Trustee(s) C. Ealey-Cross, A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**MOTION CARRIES**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING RECONVENED:**

**Call to Order**

The Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, October 7, 2014 was called to order by Mayor Edwenna Perkins at 10:01 p.m., in the Council Chambers at 125 South 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Maywood, IL 60153.

**Roll Call**

Upon roll call by Viola Mims, Village Clerk, the following answered **Present:** Mayor Edwenna Perkins, Trustee(s) C. Ealey-Cross, A. Jaycox, A. Dorris, M. Rogers, M. Lightford and R. Rivers. **Absent:** None. **There being a Quorum Present, the Meeting was called to order.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Edwenna Perkins and the Board of Trustees adjourned the October 7, 2014, Regular Board Meeting with a Motion by Trustee Rogers and a Second by Trustee Rivers at 10:01 p.m. in the Village of Maywood Council Chambers.

**The vote was affirmed unanimously by the Board of Trustees at 10:01 p.m.**



**Edwenna Perkins, Mayor**



**Viola Mims, Village Clerk**



Cc: Mayor Edwenna Perkins  
Board of Trustees  
Village Clerk, Viola Mims  
Acting Village Manager, David Myers