

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
December 12, 2017**

Mayor Robert E. Polk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson, Travis Claybrooks, Mayor Robert E. Polk, Village Clerk Lus Chavez and Village Attorney Stanley Pagorek

ABSENT: None

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to approve the minutes of November 28, 2017.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee Denise Bonner to open the meeting to the public at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Ms. Francis had the following concerns:

- are the water rates going up
- senior's do not have the money to pay the increase

Andrew Johnson asked the following:

- what is the percentage of the increase

Mr. Yancy asked the following:

- why do the increases need to happen
- why hasn't his meter been read or a card left to record a reading
- meters need to be read instead of estimates on bills
- why so much of an increase
- can we cut from somewhere else instead of the increases

Ms. Francis had stated the following:

- according to a paper she read off from 94.50 every 3 months now and you will pay \$396.00 every 3 months

Brenda Taylor asked the following:

- how long will it take to pay-off the loan

Carol Dills asked the following:

- Mayor how long have you been in office
- why are the meter being replaced now instead of years ago
- why is the electric pole after a year still not taken care of
- has the loan been submitted to the EPA

Joyce Bishoff asked the following:

- did you make a statement that it is already passed
- was there any type of notice that was done before hand
- a mention of EPA, why would EPA need to be involved are there issues
- why wasn't a grant applied for instead of a loan
- I would like to see how much is allocated to loan
- why can't someone read the meters
- what is the interest of the loan
- what is the duration of the loan
- how much a year would the payments be
- why do we not have fundraiser

Tom Cahill asked the following:

- why wasn't this address earlier in the years
- allow the residents to have adjusted their income earlier
- why is sewer rate increased so high

Mrs. O'Banner asked the following:

- why is the shut off fee going up to \$250.00
- when is the next meeting

Tony Ramos had the following comments:

- which meters need to be changed
- why am I getting increased if I already have a meter
- is the sewage out going to be upgraded

Brian had the following comments:

- is it already passed
- could it have been raised gradually

Gerald Hunter had the following concerns:

- Flags are needed on the east side of town at the municipal building
- I have a water report expense that states a different amount than earlier stated
- I was employed by the Village of Burnham in the Water Department
- current employer is a part time
- the meter reader is actually running the water department
- Mayor is the supervisor of the water department
- there has been a water loss for years
- why are we charging a higher water increase

Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to close the meeting to the public at 7:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Polk had the following to report:

- we have good staff members that look out for the interest of the Village, that is how a mistake was discovered in an invoice we received
- Our next regular meeting on Thursday, December 28, 2017 at 7 p.m.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Chavez had the following to report:

- Many residents have not purchased their current vehicle sticker and need to do so
- They expire every June 30th and a \$10.00 late fee for each month you are late
- Village Clerk's office will close early on Friday, December 22nd at 12 p.m. and will be closed on Monday, December 25th for Christmas and on Friday, December 29th we will close early at 12 p.m. and will also be closed on Monday, January 1st for New Year's Day

PUBLIC EDUCATION, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE:

Trustee Brenda Greer reported the following:

- Fire Calls for November- 6 calls in the day and 6 night calls
- Ambulance calls for November – 8 calls in the day and 17 night calls
- Recommend filling out form for Burnham residents that are disabled in case of an emergency
- CEDA are still taking appointments for the rescheduled date of December 16th
- Social Security benefits for 2018 will increase 2%
- Reminder Holiday season and be aware of shopping scams
- Information about precautions to be taken with Christmas trees and the lights

Chief Horberg commented about the purchase of a used ambulance to respond to all medical calls but will not transporting any patients which cost \$3,000.00

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS:

Trustee Claybrooks reported the following:

- Public works doing an excellent job cleaning the alleys
- Leaf collector has been out
- All the snow plows have been serviced and ready
- It is ashamed that people left the meeting they could have heard more information
- This shows there interest in the Village
- I commend everyone that stayed for this meeting

ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION AND PLANNING:

1. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to pass RESOLUTION 2017-R-005 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A 2017 ILLINOIS TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, IN THORNTON TOWNSHIP, COOK COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS 60633-2081

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

2. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to pass RESOLUTION 2017-R-006 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY PROHIBITING SEXUAL HARASSMENT FOR THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, IN THORTON TONWSHIP, COOK COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS 60633-2081

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

3. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to pass RESOLUTION 2017-R-007 A RESOLUTION TO JOIN AND PARTICIPATE IN THE SOUTH SUBURBAN LAND BANK AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, AN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AND THE SOUTH SUBURBAN LAND BANK AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, BOTH IN COOK COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS 60633-2081

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

4. Motion made by Trustee Graciela Garcia and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to pass on RESOLUTION APPOINTMENT OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIRECTOR RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - R – 008 A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIRECTOR TO THE SOUTH SUBURBAN LAND BANK AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

5. Motion made by Trustee John Cap Jr. and seconded by Trustee Graciela Garcia to pass on AN ORDINANCE CORRECTING ANDEMENDING THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM ORDINANCE 2017-O-010 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS, APPOINTED OFFICIALS, LOCAL LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSIONER, MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, 60633-2081

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

6. Motion made by Trustee John Cap Jr. and seconded by Trustee Graciela Garcia to pass Ordinance 2017-O-011 AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2017 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2018 OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, 60633-2081

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

FINANCE:

1. Motion made by Trustee John Cap Jr. and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to approve on authorizing the payment of this month's bills when funds become available

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: Trustee Denise Bonner

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC UTILITIES: None

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Trustee Bonner reported the following:

- Calumet Memorial Park District Winter catalogs should be mailed this month

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS: None

COMMUNICATIONS: None

MEMORIALS: None

AND REMONSTRANCES: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion of, consideration of ORDINANCE 2017-O-007 AN ORDINANCE ADJUSTING THE VILLAGE'S SEWER RATES IN ORDER TO FACILITATE A LOAN WITH THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 86 – TAXATION, ARTICLE XII – SEWER USE AND SERVICES TAX, SECTIONS: 86-422 – TAX IMPOSED; 86-423 – TAX RATE; 86-424 – PAYMENT OF SEWER TAX; 86-425 – WATER METER READINGS; 86-427 – TERMINATION OF SERVICE FOR NON-PAYMENT; 86-428 – LIEN FOR SEWER USE TAX; 86-431 – INSTALLATION AND CONNECTION OF WASTELINE SERVICE TO PUBLIC SEWER; 86-433 – PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF ARTICLE/ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, ILLINOIS
2. Motion made by Trustee Denise Bonner and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to approve to reschedule the regular scheduled REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS to Thursday, December 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

3. Motion made by Trustee Denise Bonner and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to adopt on the schedule of REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNHAM.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

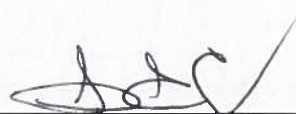
ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee John Cap Jr. to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap Jr., Denise Bonner, Graciela Garcia, Brenda Greer, Carmella Richardson and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



Village Clerk



Mayor