

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
February 25, 2014**

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

PRESENT: Trustees John Cap, Grace Garcia, Carmella Richardson, Brenda Greer, Travis Claybrooks, Mayor Robert Polk and Village Attorney Richard J. Matuga and Village Clerk Lus Chavez
ABSENT: Reynaldo Espino

Motion made by Trustee John Cap and seconded by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2014.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap, Grace Garcia, Carmella Richardson, Brenda Greer and Travis Claybrooks
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Reynaldo Espino

Motion made by Trustee Reynaldo Espino and seconded by Trustee Grace Garcia to open the meeting to the public at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap, Grace Garcia, Carmella Richardson, Brenda Greer and Travis Claybrooks
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Reynaldo Espino

Motion made by Trustee Travis Claybrooks and seconded by Trustee Carmella Richardson to close the meeting to the public at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap, Grace Garcia, Carmella Richardson, Brenda Greer and Travis Claybrooks
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Reynaldo Espino

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor mentioned that the Public Work Department and the Water Department were doing a good job.

CLERKS REPORT

No Report

PUBLIC EDUCATION, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE

We received a letter of resignation from Thomas Bohling, Police Commissioner. Police Department is replacing equipment in the 911 Room from the water damage.

On Monday, March 10, 2014 Cook County Commissioner Stanley Moore would be hosting Cook County Care 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Community Meeting with officer King was very informative on:

- Being involved in your community
- Getting to know your community
- Make negatives positives

Fire Department received a small equipment grant of \$26,000.00; they will be able to replace gear. Shift program supported by the Mayor, of three firemen in the fire house has been successful.

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS:

No Report

Following Items discussed:

- Patch work mentioned on Chippewa- Asphalt will be placed
- Garbage pickup is doing well
- Clerk mentioned to call Calumet City regarding huge hole by the construction on State St.
- Items that have been used to save parking spots should be considered to be removed now

ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION AND PLANNING:

No Report

FINANCE:

No Report

PUBLIC UTILITIES:

No Report

Following items discussed:

- Nicor has a free home saving energy kit
- Gerald Hunter (Water Engineer) was asked to elaborate on the water pipes bursting
He mentioned that there have been some frozen lines which have resulted in the pipes bursting because of the weather. But no water main breaks.
- It was discussed that the Water Department should be able to view the water usage from City of Chicago and City of Hammond. But it was questioned since the water department is present when City of Chicago or City of Hammond view meter for usage, the water department should also have that information

PARKS AND RECREATION:

No Report

Trustee Claybrooks had information for Teamster Local #710 regarding a savings plan.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS,

**COMMUNICATIONS, MEMORIALS,
AND REMONSTRANCES**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Property exchanged on Croissant Drive

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion made by Trustee Grace Garcia and second by Trustee Travis Claybrooks to take action to adopt on authorizing the Village Engineer to prepare plans and specifications for the 2013 Cook County Community Development Block Grant Program, Project No. 1306-003, Project Title: Capital Improvement: Street Reconstruction: Muskegon Avenue from State Street to 145th Street and Martha Street from State Street to Hammond Avenue.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Trustees John Cap, Grace Garcia, Carmella Richardson, Brenda Greer and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Reynaldo Espino

ADJOURNMENT

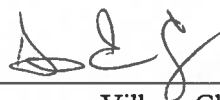
Motion made by Trustee Grace Garcia and second by Trustee John Cap to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL:


AYES: Trustees John Cap, Grace Garcia, Carmella Richardson, Brenda Greer and Travis Claybrooks

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Reynaldo Espino



Village Clerk



Mayor