

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR FRANKFORT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2008**

President Jim Holland called the regular meeting of the Frankfort Village Board to order on Monday, October 20, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Clerk Robert J. Kennedy called the roll. In attendance were President Jim Holland, Trustees Kevin Egan, Cindy Heath, Mike Stevens, Dick Trevarthan, and Doug Walker. Also in attendance were Village Administrator Jerry Ducay, Attorney George Mahoney, and Chief Rob Piscia.

Trustee Todd Morgan was absent.

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL ORDERS - UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA

All items of the Omnibus Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and were enacted in one motion. There is no separate discussion of these items unless a board member makes a request, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agendas and considered separately.

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Meeting (October 6, 2008)

B. Approval of Bills - \$573,766.74

C. Departmental Operations Committee Report

1. IDOT Joint Agreement Approval: U.S. Route 45 at EJ & E Underpass Drainage Repair
 - a. Funding Resolution
Accept the recommendation of the Departmental Operations Committee, and adopt a RESOLUTION (#08-29) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT FOR U.S. ROUTE 45 IMPROVEMENTS AT THE EJ & E RAILROAD UNDERPASS AND APPROPRIATION OF VILLAGE FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT, authorizing the execution of a Joint Agreement between the Illinois Department of Transportation and the Village of Frankfort, and the appropriation of Village funds to pay its share of the U.S. Route 45 at the EJ & E Railroad underpass drainage improvements.
 - b. Restricted Parking Ordinance
(Waive 1st and 2nd Readings and Adopt)
Accept the recommendation of the Departmental Operations Committee, waive the First and Second Readings and adopt an ORDINANCE (#2523) RESTRICTING PARKING ALONG U.S. ROUTE 45 (LA GRANGE ROAD) WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT, WILL & COOK COUNTIES,

ILLINOIS, restricting parking along U.S. Route 45 from Nebraska Street to Laraway Road.

c. Ordinance Prohibiting Sanitary and Industrial Discharge
(Waive 1st and 2nd Readings and Adopt)

Accept the recommendation of the Departmental Operations Committee, waive the First and Second Readings and adopt an ORDINANCE (#2524) PROHIBITING THE DISCHARGE OF SANITARY AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE INTO ANY STORM SEWER OR DRAINAGE FACILITY CONSTRUCTED AS A PART OF THE U.S. ROUTE 45 AND EJ & E RAILROAD UNDERPASS IMPROVEMENT WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT, WILL & COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, prohibiting discharge of sanitary and industrial waste into any storm sewer or drainage facility constructed as part of the U.S. Route 45 improvements at the EJ & E Railroad underpass.

d. Ordinance Prohibiting Right-of-Way Encroachments
(Waive 1st and 2nd Readings and Adopt)

Accept the recommendation of the Departmental Operations Committee, waive the First and Second Readings and adopt an ORDINANCE (#2525) PROHIBITING ENCROACHMENTS WITHIN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG U.S. ROUTE 45 WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT, WILL & COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, prohibiting encroachments within the State of Illinois Right-of-Way along U.S. Route 45 in the vicinity of the EJ & E Railroad underpass.

D. Sign Appeals Committee Report

1. Franciscan Sisters Sign Variances: 9201 W. St. Francis Road – Ordinance
(Waive 1st and 2nd Readings and Adopt)

Accept the recommendation of the Sign Appeals Committee, waive the First and Second Readings and adopt an ORDINANCE (#2526) GRANTING TWO SIGN VARIANCES AND A ZONING VARIANCE TO CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT, WILL AND COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS (FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART – 9201 W. ST. FRANCIS ROAD), granting two sign variances and a zoning variance to the Franciscan Sisters' property located at 9201 W. St. Francis Road.

A motion (#1) was made by Trustee Trevarthan, seconded by Trustee Stevens, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Clerk Robert J. Kennedy called the roll. Ayes; Trustees Egan, Heath, Stevens, Trevarthan, and Walker. Nays; None. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Holland announced that Daisy Troop 924 presented the colors this evening. The girls present are: Arann Naughton, Kaitlyn Scott, Kayla McLaughlin, Kaitlyn Lee, Lucy Benn, Marisa Planera, Kate Arndt, Maggie O'Brien. Troop leader is Jenny Lee. Co-leader is Hollie Arndt.
He presented badges to the girls.
- Mayor Holland announced that the OPRT 5K Race was a big success with 168 runners/walkers participating in the event. Our new sound system worked very well and we were able to play a CD of "motivational" running songs while registration was occurring. The race participants visited Frankfort from various communities, including: Chicago, Manteno, Bourbonnais, Orland Park, Steger, Flossmoor, Valparaiso, IN, Beecher, Romeoville, Naperville, Lagrange, Mokena, and Lockport (to name a few).
Frankfort winners included: Taylor Jach, Gina Murany, Dominic Novelli, Jeff Gerske, and Dane Diangi.
Race results have been posted on the Village website, as well as various athletic websites. He thanked all our volunteers, our sponsors, as well as the Frankfort Youth Commission, Public Works, and Police Department for their support and cooperation to make the event a success.
- Mayor Holland announced that FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) has a "Disaster Assistance Program" for property owners who may have sustained flood damage as a result of the heavy rainfall events our community experienced two weeks ago. Those wishing more information may call FEMA's toll free number 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or apply online: www.fema.gov. Information is also available at the Village Administration Building.
- Mayor Holland announced that affected property owners of the Sycamore Street explosion have been invited to a follow-up informational meeting on Saturday, October 25, at 8:30 a.m., at Heritage Hall. Representatives from the Frankfort fire and police departments, as well as insurance and legal experts will be on hand to answer questions from residents.
- Mayor Holland announced that the Halloween Trick or Treat hours are 4:30 to 7:30 pm.
- Mayor Holland reported that the Village of Frankfort, in partnership with TRAC, has intervened on behalf of the STB regarding the mandamus issue that the C/N Railroad has been pushing through.
- Mayor Holland that the Village of Frankfort and Hickory creek Middle School will hold a tribute to Veterans with a concert and dinner. Veterans are free of charge.
- Mayor Holland congratulated Cliff Janeliunas on the good job he did on the Wolf Road project. It was done on time and under budget.

- Mayor Holland stated the bids are due on October 23, 2008 for projects at Rt. 30 & Locust and rt. 30 & 80th Avenue. He also reported that we are installing 47 new streetlights in town.
- Mayor Holland reported that Howard Sloan gave a presentation at Lewis University on storm water management. He stated that the Village of Frankfort is well respected for their storm water management.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Chief Piscia announced that the E. F. Bucko Halloween Parade will begin at 4:30 pm. with line up at 4:15 pm at Breidert Green.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Mr. Ducay reported that leaf pick-up has begun. Branch pick-up is complete. There are no burn dates this year.
- Mr. Ducay reported that the Village has received 20 proposals for an addition to the Village Administration Building.
- Mr. Ducay reported that there are 60 days left for the buyer of Heritage Hall to complete their due diligence.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT – No Report

OTHER BUSINESS

- Clerk Robert J. Kennedy – Reported that we have had 140 early voters. He announced that early voting is held from 9 a. until 4:00 pm Monday thru Friday. He cautioned residents that there may be a wait to vote.
- Trustee Stevens – Thanked Cliff Janeliunas in his work on Wolf Road.
- Trustee Trevarthan – No comment.
- Trustee Heath – Congratulated the Lincoln-Way East Marching Griffins Band on winning State Championship and Grand Champions. She questioned the study done on the Carrington Dam.
- Trustee Walker – Asked if there were more runners this year at the Old Plank Road Trail 5 K Walk/ Run?

- Trustee Egan – Stated the Canadian National Railroads writ of mandamus is to force the STB to make a decision without reviewing all the documents submitted.
- Deputy Clerk Alice Schomburg – No comment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

PHONE CALLS

Residents called to express their concerns:

- A caller voiced concern regarding the potential of 28 trains a day going through Frankfort.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – LITIGATION AND PROPERTY ACQUISITION

Executive Session – Litigation and Property Acquisition

A motion (#2) was made by Trustee Trevarthan, seconded by Trustee Stevens, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of litigation and property acquisition.
Voice vote taken. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

A motion (#3) was made by Trustee Trevarthan, seconded by Trustee Egan, to come out of Executive Session and return to the regular Village Board meeting
Voice vote taken. All in favor. Motion carried.
Executive Session adjourned and resumed regular board meeting at 8:18 p.m.

No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.

Don Matthews, Director of Utilities, gave a brief report on the Utility Department and his upcoming retirement.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion (#4) was made by Trustee Trevarthan, seconded by Trustee Stevens, to adjourn the regular Board meeting of Monday, October 20, 2008.
Voice vote taken. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Robert J. Kennedy
Village Clerk

As Presented X As Amended ____

/s/ Jim Holland, Village President

/s/ Robert J. Kennedy, Village Clerk

/s/ Alice Schomburg, Deputy Village Clerk