

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR FRANKFORT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2009**

Mayor Jim Holland called the regular meeting of the Frankfort Village Board to order on Monday, November 2, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

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

Trustee Kevin Egan and Deputy Clerk Alice Schomburg were 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.

Trustee Trevarthan asked that the Fox Lumber Property: Purchase and Sale Contract Approval be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the regular agenda for discussion.

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Meeting (October 19, 2009)

B. Approval of Bills - \$512,349.24

C. Departmental Operations Committee Report

1. Verizon Wireless Lease Agreement Approval: 1025 Lambrecht Road – Resolution
Accept the recommendation of the Departmental Operations Committee and adopt a RESOLUTION (#09-30) AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A FACILITIES SPACE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT AND VERIZON WIRELESS FOR THE USE OF THE LAMBRECHT ROAD WATER TOWER, authorizing execution of a Facilities Space Lease Agreement between the Village of Frankfort and Verizon Wireless for use of the 1025 Lambrecht Road Water Tower for communications facilities and equipment.

D. Plan Commission Report

1. Ludolph Fence Height Variance: 142 Pfaff Drive - Ordinance
(Waive 1st and 2nd Readings and Adopt)
Accept the Plan Commission recommendation, waive the First and Second Readings and adopt an ORDINANCE (#2621) GRANTING A FENCE HEIGHT VARIANCE TO CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT, WILL AND COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS (ALAN K. LUDOLPH RESIDENCE – 142 PFAFF DRIVE), granting a fence height variance from five (5') feet to seven (7') feet to permit installation of a vinyl fence along the south property line, in accordance with the reviewed plans.

2. 1.5-Mile Review: Mark Tracy Property – 21100 S. 80th Avenue

Accept the Plan Commission recommendation and vote “no objection” to the proposed rezoning of the 39,800 sq. ft. parcel located at 21100 S. 80th Avenue in unincorporated Will County from the R2 zoning classification to the C2 zoning classification.

A motion (#1) was made by Trustee Trevarthan, seconded by Trustee Morgan, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with Fox Lumber removed.

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

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Holland stated that as liquor commissioner he periodically reviews the inventory of liquor licenses to verify the number of licenses issued in each liquor class is in compliance with number of licenses allowed per class in the Code of Ordinances. He entertained a motion from the floor to adopt an amendment to the Liquor License Ordinance for this purpose, noting the amending Ordinance authorizes a decrease in the number of Class C licenses (restaurant, permitting bar, no carry-outs) from sixteen (16) to fifteen (15).

A motion (#2) was made by Trustee Mike Stevens, seconded by Trustee Heath to waive the First and Second Readings and adopt an ORDINANCE (#2622) AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 113: INTOXICATING LIQUOR, reducing the number of Class C licenses from sixteen (16) to fifteen (15).

- Mayor Holland announced that he, Trustees Dick Trevarthan and Mike Stevens, and Community Relations Manager Mary Canino traveled to Springfield on October 29 to accept the Governor’s Home Town Award for the Village’s Earth Day celebration.
- Mayor Holland stated on November 11 the Village of Frankfort and Frankfort School District 157C Band Boosters will honor local veterans at a concert and free dinner held at Hickory Creek Middle School. Mayor Holland will act as master of ceremonies for the veterans’ segment of the event, which is a well deserved tribute to the heroism of our armed forces who so selflessly gave their lives to safeguard our freedom.
- Mayor Holland noted that H₁N₁ flu vaccinations will be administered on November 4 at Hickory Creek Middle School from 3:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. The shots are targeted for a select group of the population most at risk for contracting the flu virus.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Chief Piscia discussed the H₁N₁ vaccination process and how the number of doses is determined. He reiterated that there will be a clinic at Hickory Creek School. The Will County Health Department will only pass out numbers for the number of doses they have in inventory. This is only the nasal vaccination, so not everyone is eligible.

- Chief Piscia congratulated the Frankfort Falcons' Lightweight and Blue football team on their Super Bowl victory over the Bourbonnais Red Bears on Sunday in Lemont. The Falcons started their season at the end of July and competed against 13 other teams to achieve this great feat.
- Chief Piscia commented that the Halloween parade went well and recognized Officer Bender for her efforts in this regard. He noted 400 Halloween bags were prepared and almost all of them were distributed. He thanked the seniors from TRIAD who came out to pass out candy and all of the donors and downtown merchants who helped make the event a success.

FOX LUMBER PROPERTY: PURCHASE AND SALE CONTRACT APPROVAL - RESOLUTION

Trustee Heath presented the Board with the Fox Lumber Purchase and Sale Contract between Fox Investments, Inc., an Illinois corporation, and the Village of Frankfort. She noted that in Executive Session on October 19, 2009, the Board authorized the Village Administrator and Village Attorney to prepare the necessary contract documents for the sale of Fox Lumber, located at 1 White Street, to the Village of Frankfort for \$795,000.00.

The Trustees noted the importance of Fox Lumber's presence to the Village's historic downtown over the years and were unanimous in their support of the purchase agreement for the property. Although a pipeline traverses the site, Attorney George Mahoney stated Trustee Walker's employment with a pipeline company presented no conflict of interest with his vote on the Fox Lumber purchase contract. In the short term, Mayor Holland noted that the Village plans to clean up the site and possibly restore the front building façade. He commented that long term plans may include redevelopment of the site for mixed uses.

A motion (#3) was made by Trustee Heath, seconded by Trustee Walker, to adopt a RESOLUTION (#09-31) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE AND SALE CONTRACT FOR THE PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE FOX LUMBER PROPERTY, LOCATED AT 1 WHITE STREET, FRANKFORT, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, authorizing the execution of a purchase and sale contract for the Fox Lumber Property, located at 1 White Street, for the contracted price of \$795,000.00.

Village Clerk Robert Kennedy called the roll. Ayes; Trustees Trevarthan, Walker, Heath, Morgan, Stevens. Nays; None. Motion carried.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Ducay discussed his Lake Michigan Water Cost Assessment Report.

LAKE MICHIGAN WATER – OAK LAWN RESPONSE

Following Administrator Ducay's report, Mayor Holland invited members of the audience to voice their comments on the Lake Michigan water issue. The following comments were offered by residents:

- Abbey Woods resident expressed support for lake water and expressed concern about water quality issues with our current system.
- A Connecticut Hills resident expressed support for lake water and requested more efforts to improve existing water system.
- A Lakeview resident expressed support for lake water and asked questions of Mr. Ducay about his report.
- A Pheasant Run resident (formerly of Connecticut Hills) expressed support for our current water system.
- An Old Town resident expressed support for our current water system and presented a newspaper article discussing Chicago's interest in leasing their water system.

Additionally, the Village Board members discussed the following concerns:

- Control is a great concern.
- We must continue to improve water quality.
- Improvements have been made to our existing system.
- Oak Lawn should be informed of a decision.
- Drought impacts on water capacity and restrictions.

It was the consensus of the Board that Oak Lawn should be informed that we are not interested at this time.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT - No Report

OTHER BUSINESS

- Trustee Heath commented that she would like the Board to welcome new businesses that open in Frankfort by mentioning them by name at upcoming board meetings.
- Trustee Morgan appreciated the removal of graffiti from the Old Plank Trail Bridge and thanked the village homeowner associations for cleaning up the entrance ways to their subdivisions.
- Trustee Stevens – No comment.
- Trustee Trevarthan stated 98 percent of leaves on the ground are swept up using two vacuum systems. All leaves should be collected before December 1.
- Trustee Walker noted that fallen leaves needed to be picked up on Locust Street.

- Village Clerk Robert Kennedy – No comment.
- Jerry Ducay told residents to call the Public Works Department to get branches picked up.

PUBLIC COMMENTS -

A resident in the audience stated that the parking lot at Walt's requires handicapped parking stalls. Administrator Ducay stated the Village will look into the matter.

In response to a resident comment, Administrator Ducay stated the improvements on Harlem Avenue are a couple of years away. The Cook County Highway Department may re-surface the road, which will delay improvements even longer.

A Lakeview resident voiced concern with the reduced speed limit on Laraway Road, asking if it will be raised. Administrator Ducay stated that Will County, not the Village of Frankfort, has jurisdiction over the speed limit on the roadway.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion (#4) was made by Trustee Trevarthan, seconded by Trustee Morgan, to adjourn the regular Board meeting of Monday, November 2, 2009.

Voice vote taken. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 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