

MINUTES of a regular meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Skokie, Cook County, Illinois held in the Council Chambers at 5127 Oakton Street at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20, 2023



Pledge of Allegiance led by Village Clerk Pramod Shah.

Mayor Van Dusen called the meeting to order.

The Clerk call the Roll. Those present were Trustees Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Johnson

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

* Approve, as submitted, minutes of regular meeting held Monday, June 5, 2023.

Omnibus vote.

* Approve Voucher List #3-FY24 of June 20, 2023.

Omnibus vote.

Appointments, Reappointments and Resignations.

- A. Swearing in of the following personnel by Commissioner Nicole Potthast of the Board of Fire and Police:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Position</u>	<u>New Position</u>
Demosthenes (Damon) Nikolopoulos	Police Officer	Police Sergeant

Mayor Van Dusen congratulated the new Police Sergeant who introduced his family and friends.

- * B. Resignation

Beautification & Improvement Commission: Mr. Bahram Khazeni

Omnibus vote.

Report of the Village Manager.

A. Recommendation of Code Updates to Chapter 26, Article XVIII reflecting zoning changes regarding massage therapy establishments. Community Development Director Nyden gave background information and answered questions. Motion to concur with staff's recommendation to direct Corporation Counsel to draft the necessary changes.

Moved: Trustee Johnson

Seconded: Trustee Klein

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

*B. CentralSquare Public Safety Software Maintenance Contract – CentralSquare, Lake Mary, Florida – \$155,923.75.

Motion to award a contract to CentralSquare, Lake Mary, Florida in the amount of \$155,923.75 for CentralSquare public safety software maintenance contract.

Omnibus vote.

*C. Proprietary Purchase of ECG Monitor/Defibrillator/Pacer – Zoll Medical Corporation, Chelmsford, Massachusetts - \$32,497.32.

Motion to award a contract to Zoll Medical Corporation, Chelmsford, MA in the amount of \$32,497.32 for proprietary purchase of ECG monitor/defibrillator/pacer.

Omnibus vote.

Report of the Corporation Counsel.

FIRST READING:

A. An ordinance amending various sections of Chapter 10 and Chapter 46 of the Skokie Village Code pertaining to the retail sale of alcoholic liquor and related fees. Item A is on the agenda for first reading and will be on the July 3, 2023 agenda for second reading and adoption.

New Business

Trustee Johnson commented on when a vote to disclose and release audio recordings of the Village of Skokie January closed sessions regarding the Illinois attorney general office determination that the Board violated the Open Meetings act. Mayor Van Dusen said it was scheduled for the next Board Meeting. Trustee Johnson also spoke about the appointment process for Village attorneys.

Plan Commission.

A. Plan Commission Case 2021-30P – Zoning Chapter Amendment: Vape Shops and Massage Parlors.

Motion to concur with the Plan Commission that Chapter 118 Zoning of the Skokie Village Code be amended regarding Vape shops and Massage parlors.

Moved: Trustee Johnson

Seconded: Trustee Khoeun

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

B. Plan Commission Case 2023-03P – Site Plan Approval: 3301 & 3321 Howard Street.

Motion to concur with Staff's recommendation to approve a site plan approval as amended to allow a fence along Howard Street for an automotive fuel station and a car wash in an Industrial zoning district allowing two principal buildings on one lot.

Moved: Trustee Pure Slovin

Seconded: Trustee Klein

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

C. Plan Commission Case 2023-04P – Special Use Permit: 3301 Howard Street.

Motion to concur with Staff's recommendation to approve a special use permit for an automotive fuel station in an M3 industrial zone to modify the existing site plan and landscape plan.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Robinson

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

D. Plan Commission Case 2023-05P – Special Use Permit: 3321 Howard Street.

Motion to concur with Staff recommendation to approve a special use for a car wash in a M3 industrial zone.

Moved: Trustee Klein

Seconded: Trustee Khoeun

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

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Public Comments

Diana Rumsley spoke about the Affordable Housing Ordinance-2nd reading.

Kimberly Polka spoke about the status of the release of the audio from the Village of Skokie Closed sessions.

Rachel Vanhose commented on the status of the Homewood Suites on Oakton, Massage parlors, potholes, landlord accountability for vacant stores.

Vicki Wolfinger spoke about the Open Meetings Act violation and lack of transparency-Public Comments made available on line and easy accessible.

Emi Yamauchi also spoke about updates on the Homewood Suites, Contract with legal services for Electoral Reform and when the housing ordinance would be adopted.

Judy Mendel-Possibilities of Public Comments available online. Businesses at Church and Crawford, East Prairie and Dempster with stopped construction.

Lauren Grodnicki-weed killers that are blown in vegetable gardens from neighboring properties.

A parent of a student at Niles West thanked the Police Department for traffic control by Niles West in the morning drop off and the presence of a Police Officer in the school.

James Specker senior director from the American Massage Therapy Association thanked the Village for improving regulations for massage establishments.

Trustee Johnson also commented on the possibilities of Public Comments being easily accessible on the website.

Public Comments by email.

John Hopp concerning the Affordable housing Ordinance.

Margaret Thomas regarding fireworks.

Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 8:14 p.m.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Klein

Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED

Pramod Shah Village Clerk

Approved:

 Mayor Van Dusen

Items marked with an asterisk (*) indicate they are part of the Consent Agenda that contains routine items or items which have already been discussed by the Mayor and Board at a previous public meeting and require a second reading. Items on the Consent Agenda are passed in one vote at the beginning of the Board Meeting. Prior to the vote on the Consent Agenda, the Mayor will inquire if there is any matter which anyone wishes to remove from the Consent Agenda. If there is an item on the Consent Agenda which you wish to address, please inform the Mayor at that time you wish to remove it from the Consent Agenda.

