

**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 Monday, August 7, 2023**

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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 Pure Slovin**

**Seconded: Trustee Klein**

**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, July 17, 2023.

**Omnibus vote.**

\* Approve Voucher List #6-FY24 of August 7, 2023.

**Omnibus vote.**

Appointments, Reappointments and Resignations.

- A. Swearing in of the following personnel by Helene Levine, Vice Chair of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Position</u>	<u>New Position</u>
Katarzyna Pore	Police Officer	Police Sergeant

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

- \* B. Appointment

*Human Relations Commission: Anthony Agee*

**Omnibus vote.**

- \* C. Reappointments

*Fine Arts Commission: Michelle Beatrice, Mira Chander, Debra Hatchett, Judy Levan, Doris Liberman, Sonya Osseny, Pamela Sloan, Michelle Thomas, James VanOsdol, Vassilen Vasevski, Sharon Vicker, Ellen Waxberg, Pamela Williams, Jeff Rhodes as Vice Chair and Pamela Garbarini as Chair*

*Performing Arts Center Board: Janis Fine, Barry Layfer, Rene Roy, Andrea Siegel and Terrence Guolee as Chair*

**Omnibus vote.**

- \* D. Resignation

*Performing Arts Center Board: Barbara Reeder*

**Omnibus vote.**

Report of the Village Manager.

- A. 2024 Green Alley Program – Design and Construction Engineering Services – Baxter Woodman, Inc., Chicago, Illinois - \$159,000.

Russ Rietveld, Director of Engineering answered questions from the Board. Manager Lockerby also gave background information on the program.

Motion to concur with staff's recommendation and request Mayor and Board approval to enter into a contract with Baxter Woodman Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$159,000 for Design and Construction Engineering services for the Village of Skokie 024 Green Alley Program.

**Moved: Trustee Sutker****Seconded: Trustee Khoeun****Ayes: Sutker, Robinson, Khoeun, Johnson, Pure Slovin, Klein and Mayor Van Dusen****Nays: None.****Absent: None.****MOTION CARRIED**

Max Slankard, Director of Public Works gave an update on the 90 day refuse transitions implementations on the once weekly refuse collection. He spoke about reducing landfills, greenhouse emissions, wear and tear on Skokie streets, and utility savings to provide sustainability waste options. He mentioned how evaluation of the second cart requests, how the transition is going- composting, diesel fuel reduced, landfill tonnage down and continuing education on existing waste. He also spoke on rat management that is has been increasing since 2020, long before the transition to once a week garbage pickup. and answered questions from the Trustees and a resident..

\*B. Backlot Bash 2023.

Resolution 23-8-R-1555

Motion to approve a Resolution authorizing the Intergovernmental agreement between the Village of Skokie, the Skokie Park District and the Youth Foundation of Skokie.

**Omnibus vote.**

\*C. Annual Service Renewal for Microsoft Exchange, O365 &amp; Power BI – Planet Technologies, Germantown, Maryland - \$37,103.40.

Motion to award a contract to Planet Technologies, Germantown, Maryland in the amount of \$37,103.40 for annual service renewal for Microsoft Exchange, 0365 & Power BI.

**Omnibus vote.**

\*D. Annual Maintenance Contract for Cisco Network Infrastructure - CDW, Chicago, Illinois – \$31,440.79.

Motion to award a contract to CDW, Chicago, Illinois in the amount of \$31,440.79 for annual maintenance contract for Cisco Network Infrastructure.

**Omnibus vote.**Report of the Corporation Counsel.

FIRST READING:

A. An ordinance granting relief from Chapter 10, Section 10-10, of the Skokie Village Code to allow the temporary sale, possession and consumption of alcoholic liquor on the public right of way and municipal property during specified hours of Skokie's 16th annual Backlot Bash. Item A is on the agenda for first reading. The second reading will be on August 21, 2023.

Corporation Counsel Lorge gave an update on the Affordable Housing Ordinance. It should be completed by August 21<sup>st</sup> or no later than the first week in September. There were edits, comments and questions asked by Board members and residents. The final revision is in progress.

Unfinished Business.

A. Agenda Items Process for Village Trustees.

Trustee Johnson was requesting that the Board address the discrepancy between what is allowed by the Village Code-Rule 1 and what is allowed in practice, concerning the Board's agenda process.

Pure Slovin made a suggestion to see how other municipalities put items on the Agenda.

Trustee Robinson spoke about notifying the Manager" within time sufficient for the Manager to prepare".

Trustee Klein agreed that the process is working.

Trustee Sutker said that she trust the Manager to decide if we have information to bring an item to the Agenda.

Trustee Khoeun spoke about ideas that are still in the vetting stage and not ready to be presented. She did agree that an answer should be given if a request is made.

Manager Lockerby will give a report and the issue will be discussed further.

Public Comment.

Trustee Robinson gave a shout out to the teachers, administrators and staff for the beginning of the new school year.

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Trustee Klein spoke about the upcoming Backlot Bash and the Rotary Club’s annual pancake breakfast on August 27th.

John Ivaska had questions about when the Affordable housing ordinance will be presented and if it will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. He also asked about how many applicants applied. Mayor Van Dusen is finalizing a list of nominations for the new housing sub-committee of the Plan Commission. He responded to his questions.

Lauren Grodnicki-“Solar panels that should not get permits” . Not all companies are reputable. Check with SolSmart first.

Public comments by email.

Ari Berkowicz, Lisa Silverman, Danny Cohn, Jason Ashman commented on rats and the garbage pick up.

Judy Mendel commented about the Mapping meeting on August 14<sup>th</sup> on the Electoral referendums at the Skokie Library and that you can also listen to the live stream.

Motion to adjourn at 8:56 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**

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Pramod Shah Village Clerk

Approved:

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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.

