

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK
HELD ON November 12, 2024, 8:00 P.M.

Administrative Staff Present: Mr. Shawn Staples, Police Chief; Mr. Eric DiSanto, Superintendent Public Works; Mr. Tim Lapp, Village Attorney; Mr. John Hilsen, Village Engineer; Ms. Pat Mahon, Deputy Village Administrator; Mr. J Wynsma, Village Administrator; Mr. Dillion Herman, Village Treasurer

Absent: Mr. Brian Kolosh, Fire Chief; Mr. Ed Stewart, Director Recreational Services; Mr. Michael Cramer, Director Public Works; Mr. Travis Bandstra, Director Community Development; Ms. Julia Huisman, Public Relations and Marketing Manager; Mr. Will Neibert, Assistant to Village Administrator

President De Graff called the meeting to order, and Clerk Penman called the roll.

Present: Trustees Larry De Young, Vickie Perkins, Cindy Nylen, John Russell, Andrew Johnson and Prince Reed

Pastor Phil Tarver from United Faith Center Ministries International opened our meeting with a prayer. President De Graff thanked Pastor Tarver.

Special Presentation

President De Graff moved the appointment of Tim De Young to the Planning and Development Commission. Trustee Nylen seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Nylen, De Young, Perkins, Russell, Johnson and Reed

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Minutes

Trustee Nylen moved that the reading of the **Minutes of the October 8, 2024**, meeting be dispensed with, copies thereof having been distributed to each trustee, and the **Minutes** as presented be approved. Trustee Perkins seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Nylen, Perkins, De Young, Russell, Johnson and Reed

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Resident Comments

Two residents expressed concerns with the manner in which the Rental Density Ordinance is administered. After providing a brief explanation of how the Ordinance has benefited the Village and its residents, President De Graff asked Ms. Mahon to meet with them after this meeting, to address their private concerns discreetly.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Hilsen presented a **Consent Agenda** containing four items:

- a. Resolution Authorizing Intergovernmental Agreement with Cook County for the 170th Street Bridge over Thorn Creek
- b. Joint Funding Agreement for Federally Funded Construction – Taft Drive Resurfacing
- c. Engineering Services Agreement with Robinson Engineering, LTD – Taft Drive Resurfacing
- d. Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code – Taft Drive Resurfacing

President De Graff asked the Trustees if there were any items, they wish to have removed from the Consent Agenda, if not, is there a motion to approve. Trustee Reed moved to approve the **Consent Agenda** as presented. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Reed, Johnson, De Young, Perkins, Nylen and Russell

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Attorney's Report

Mr. Lapp presented a **Consent Agenda** containing five items:

- a. Resolution authorizing update of the Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan
- b. Ordinance 2024-45: Conditional Use Request – WeSchool, LLC – 15910 Cottage Grove Avenue
- c. Ordinance 2024-46: Conditional Use Request – Sam Express, LLC – 16641-49 Vincennes Avenue
- d. Resolution authorizing Insurance Renewal with ICRMT (Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust)
- e. Resolution authorizing property purchase – 14850 Riverside Drive

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Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, De Young, Perkins, Nylen, Johnson and Reed

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Community Development

Trustee DeYoung shared that we had 166 building permits last month, with a total valuation of \$2,500,000. Among the permits issued was one for the new Chase Bank.

Parks and Recreation

Trustee Perkins shared that our **6th annual Winter Sports Showcase** will take place on Sunday December 8th beginning at 2pm for boys and girls 5 to 12 years of age. Come out and learn skills in the sports of Volleyball, Basketball, Soccer, Baseball, Softball, and Football all taught by our local South Holland Organizations. There will also be a cheer clinic available from 12:30pm to 1pm. Spaces are limited and pre-registration is required.

Breakfast with the Elves will take place on Saturday December 14th from 10am to 12 noon at the Heritage House. The day will feature breakfast, ornament and cookie decorating and Holiday pictures with the Elves. Limited spaces are available and pre-registration is also required.

Our **Senior Holiday Luncheon** will take place on Friday December 20th at the Community Center from 12pm to 2pm. Seniors will enjoy a holiday themed lunch, raffles and Christmas sing-a-longs to usher in the Holiday season. Pre-registration is required.

Community Life

Trustee Nylen shared that the next **Mayor's Coffee** is December 3, 7pm, at the Community Center. Residents are invited to hear from and speak with Mayor De Graff. Coffee and refreshments are provided.

Our annual **Winter Wonderland** is just around the corner! The event is Friday, December 6 from 6-8pm at Veterans Park. Winter Wonderland has several festivities for families to kick off the Christmas season! The event begins with a tree and park lighting, followed by visits with Santa, an iceless skating rink, trolley rides, train rides on the South Holland Express, and more! Visits with Santa are for South Holland residents and must be registered in advance at the Community Center. More details on Winter Wonderland are available at southholland.org.

The South Holland Business Association (also known as SHBA) is hosting a **"Bizgiving and Networking"** event on November 21 at Home Plate Grill in Veterans Park. The event will feature icebreakers and speed networking sessions, along with a chili cook-off. SHBA members and non-members alike are invited to attend. Visit shba.org for more information and to RSVP.

Finance

Trustee Russell moved for **Approval of payments of vouchers as listed on Registers Nos. 184, 185, 186 and 187 for a total of \$4,902,886.82** covering day-to-day operations, vendor payments and payroll. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, Johnson, De Young, Perkins, Nylen and Reed

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Public Safety

Trustee Johnson had no report this evening.

Public Works

Trustee Reed had no report this evening.

President De Graff thanked everyone for their attendance and participation this evening.

Nylen acknowledged the 30-year anniversary of President De Graff's leadership. President De Graff spoke to how blessed he is to have the opportunity to give back to this community.

There being no additional business to come before the President and Board of Trustees, Trustee De Young moved that this meeting adjourn. Trustee Perkins seconded the motion. Ayes all on the roll. Meeting adjourned. Next regular meeting of the President and the Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2024, at 7:00 PM, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, County of Cook, South Holland, Illinois.

Approved by:
President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Anna G. Huff", written over a horizontal line.A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Sallie D. Penman", written over a horizontal line.

Sallie D. Penman, Clerk