Village of Homer Glen

14240 W. 151st Street
Homer Glen, Illinois 60491

May 27, 2020

Board of Trustees
Board Meeting

Village Board Room
14240 W. 151st Street
Homer Glen, IL 60491
A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on May 27, 2020 by Mayor Yukich at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Board Room, 14240 W. 151st Street, Homer Glen.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

C. ROLL CALL

Present were Mayor Yukich, Trustees Ruben Pazmino, Beth Rodgers, Sharon Sweas, Keith Gray, and Carlo Caprio. Also present on behalf of the Village were Village Clerk Christina Neitzke-Troike, Village Attorney Eric Hanson, Director of Planning & Zoning Vijay Gadde, Assistant to the Village Manager Matt Walsh, Chief Building Official Joe Baber, Finance Director & Treasurer John Sawyers and Village Manager Karie Friling. A quorum was established.

D. APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA - None

E. APPOINTMENT OF BROQUE BACKAL

Motion to accept Mayor Yukich’s appointment of Broque Backal to the vacant Trustee position until the next regular scheduled Village Trustee Election in April 2021.

Trustee Caprio motioned to appoint Broque Backal, second by Trustee Gray.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:
Ayes: (5) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Gray, Rodgers, and Pazmino
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)

The motion carried.

F. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICERS

1) Mayor’s Report–

2019 STATE OF THE VILLAGE

With the COVID-19 Pandemic we have all been living through, it is easy to forget about all of the positive things that are happening in Homer Glen. Every year I give a State of the Village presentation recapping the events and projects from the previous year. This year this presentation was cancelled but there are many wonderful things that did occur last year. We can’t forget these things. With the help of staff, I did my first virtual State of the Village and would like to share it tonight with the board and community. It’s very important to not forget everything we have accomplished together.
G. PUBLIC COMMENT –

Isein Nermina and Dzaferoski – Spoke regarding Onondaga Trail’s flooding issue. Asked for update on drainage plan and if there is a plan to purchase their land to benefit the Village and the surrounding residents. Mayor Yukich stated he will look into it and let him know.

Kelly Klein – Gun Safety Proclamation

Rebecca Mason and Jeff Peterson – Spoke regarding Evlyn’s Gate Park maintenance. Residents would like to see the Village control the weeds and mow more often. Also asked about the pavilion that needs attention as well. Manager Friling stated the pavilion is in the budget and will be done this year.

Kathy Curtis (via zoom) – Resident lives behind Mugshots. Does not want to see a bar and people smoking behind her house. Resident also stated it was hard to hear via zoom.

Kristal Johnson (via zoom) – Lives near Mugshots and would like to echo everything Kathy had stated. She also sent photos in from her view of her yard.

Cindee S. (via zoom) – Lives directly behind Mugshots, feels things are just too close. She has seen unsightly things and is concerned things like this will continue. Concerned on the location of the patio.

Melissa Prado (via zoom) – Resident lives near Mugshots and feels she understands business needs to happen but concerned for the nearby residents. Concerned about the cigarette smoke. Cindee is hoping Mugshot owners would be good neighbors.

Tracy (via zoom) – Resident lives nearby and concerned about smoking and food droppings. Tracy stated she had issues with the Deli who moved in already. Would like to know how clean up will be handled? Also stated she has a teenager and a pool. Resident was concerned about her daughter and the pool.

Susan Manning (via zoom) – Concerned about the noise from Mugshots and wanted to know what the noise ordinance is.

H. CONSENT AGENDA

3. Pay Estimate No. 10 from Austin Tyler Construction, Inc. for Phase I of the Heritage Park Project, in the Amount of $20,000.

Trustee Gray motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Trustee Rodgers.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:
Ayes: (6) Trustees Sweas, Caprio, Gray, Rodgers, Backal, and Pazmino
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)

The motion carried.

I. LEGISLATION AND ACTION ITEMS

1. Motion to approve the attached proclamation congratulating Yelana Bowes on her retirement.

Trustee Caprio motioned to approve, second by Trustee Sweas.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:
Ayes: (6) Trustees Gray, Sweas, Caprio, Backal, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
The Mayor also voted Aye
The motion carried.

2. Motion to approve the attached proclamation declaring June 5, 2020 as National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the Village of Homer Glen.

Trustee Gray motioned to approve, second by Trustee Rodgers.

Trustee Pazmino suggested to change the name of the proclamation to Violence Awareness Day as the suggested name seems to infringe on residents second amendment rights.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:
Ayes: (5) Trustees Gray, Sweas, Caprio, Backal, and Rodgers
Nays: (1) Trustee Pazmino
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
The motion carried

3. Motion to accept Mayor Yukich’s appointment of Trustee Keith Gray as Mayor Pro Tem.

Trustee Sweas motioned to approve appointment of Trustee Keith Gray as Mayor Pro-Tem, second by Trustee Caprio.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:
Ayes: (6) Trustees Gray, Sweas, Caprio, Backal, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
The Mayor also voted Aye
The motion carried.

4. Motion to approve the Mayor’s appointments to the Village Committees, as outlined on the Agenda Supplement Sheet.
Trustee Caprio motioned to approve the Mayor’s appointments to the Village Committees, second by Trustee Sweas.

_The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:_
Ayes: (6) Trustees Gray, Sweas, Caprio, Backal, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
_The motion carried._

5. **Motion to accept Mayor Yukich’s appointment of Bryan Kozor as Chair of the Plan Commission and Beth Verdun as Vice Chair of the Plan Commission.**

Trustee Rodgers motioned to approve Mayor Yukich’s appointment of Brian Kozor, second by Trustee Backal.

_The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:_
Ayes: (6) Trustees Gray, Backal, Sweas, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
_The motion carried._

6. **Motion to approve Ordinance No. 20-014, an ordinance approving a Special Use Permit for outdoor seating associated with a permitted restaurant with an exception to reduce the required unobstructed adjacent sidewalk from five (5) feet to zero (0) feet, as required in Section 220.835 of the Village of Homer Glen Zoning Ordinance, for Mugshots Bar & Grill located at 13031 W 143rd Street, Homer Glen, Illinois in the C-1 Neighborhood Commercial Zoning District. [Mugshots Outdoor Seating, Case No. HG-2003-S] subject to the following conditions:**

1. **An eight (8) foot by eight (8) foot clear sound barrier be constructed at the southern end of the outdoor seating area; and**
2. **Closing hours of operation for only the outdoor seating area will be restricted to 10pm on weekdays from Sunday through Thursday and 12am on Fridays and Saturdays.**

Trustee Caprio motioned to approve Ordinance No. 20-014, second by Trustee Gray.

Mayor Yukich stated he drove past Mugshots and it was a bit nerve racking at first as it looked as if the patio continued to the back of the building, but realized it only goes half the length. Mayor Yukich opened the floor for Trustees to discuss. Trustee Rodgers stated she appreciated the residents bringing forward the maintenance issues but the issues do not fall on Mugshots or any of the tenants. The issues fall on the landlord. Trustee Rodgers stated she could not support the purposed patio at this time. Trustee Sweas agreed with Trustee Rodgers. Trustee Sweas does not agree with the outdoor seating brought forward at this time. Trustee Rodgers stated these residents have lived there for a long time and the patio is too close to the resident’s homes. Trustee Gray stated he had drove out there as well, and asked one of the owners why they wanted the side of the building and not in the front. The owner
stated there is a ramp he was not able to block and was encouraged to look at the side of the building for a patio. Trustee Gray asked staff if there was any way Mugshots could look at using the front of the building for the patio as the curb is basically one full ramp. Trustee Gray stated we can not stop any business from moving forward to open, the restaurant/bar is going to be there, it is a matter of the outside patio and the placement of it. Trustee Gray encourages staff and the owners to take a look at using the front of the building for a patio. Trustee Backal would like to see Mugshots move the patio to the front of the building. Caprio and Trustee Gray withdrew their motions and motioned to remand back to planning commission. The board agreed to have Senior Planner Melissa King as the point person for Mugshots.

Trustee Caprio motioned to remand Mug Shots back to the Planning Commission. Second by Trustee Backal.

*The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:*
Ayes: (6) Trustees Gray, Backal, Sweas, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
The motion carried

7. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 20-015 an ordinance approving (i) a Special Use Permit for an existing single-family home (approximately 4,100 sf) on a lot of less than five acres of land area, but at least one acre in size when topographic or other geographic considerations make the active farm use of the property impractical; to permit an addition with an attached garage to the existing single-family home (approximately 7,900 sf); and (ii) an exception to decrease the minimum side yard setback, on the west side of the property along the proposed addition, from 50' to 14', for certain real property located in the A-1 Agricultural District at 17045 S. Parker Rd., Homer Glen, Illinois, subject to the following conditions. [Case No. HG-2001-S]

Trustee Caprio motioned to approve Ordinance No. 20-015, second by Trustee Rodgers.

*The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:*
Ayes: (5) Trustees Gray, Backal, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
Present: (1) Trustee Sweas
The motion carried.

8. Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 20-016, an Ordinance Granting a Variance to permit Brazilian Walnut Hardwood siding on the first floor of the dwelling, in lieu of the Exterior Construction Standards requiring that stone or brick material cover one hundred (100) percent of the aggregate total area of all first floor or story exterior walls, exclusive of doors, windows and associated trim [§75-67A (Applicability and scope: type of building or structure) of Chapter 75 (Buildings) of the Code of the Village of Homer Glen], for certain real property located in the A-1 Agricultural Zoning at 17045 S. Parker Rd., Homer Glen, Illinois.
Trustee Caprio motioned to approve Ordinance No. 20-016, second by Trustee Pazmino.

_The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:_
Ayes: (5) Trustees Gray, Backal, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (1) Trustee Sweas
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
_The motion carried._

9. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 20-017, an Ordinance Granting a Variance to permit fiber cement siding on the first floor of the dwelling, in lieu of the Exterior Construction Standards requiring that stone or brick material cover one hundred (100) percent of the aggregate total area of all first floor or story exterior walls, exclusive of doors, windows and associated trim [§75-67A (Applicability and scope: type of building or structure) of Chapter 75 (Buildings) of the Code of the Village of Homer Glen], for certain real property located in the R-2 Single Family Residential District at 12807 W. Taelevale Ct., Homer Glen, Illinois.

Trustee Gray motioned to approve Ordinance No. 20-017, second by Trustee Rodgers.

_The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:_
Ayes: (5) Trustees Gray, Backal, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (1) Trustee Sweas
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
_The motion carried._

10. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 20-018, an Ordinance Granting a Variance to permit fiber cement siding on the first floor of the dwelling, in lieu of the Exterior Construction Standards requiring that stone or brick material cover one hundred (100) percent of the aggregate total area of all first floor or story exterior walls, exclusive of doors, windows and associated trim [§75-67A (Applicability and scope: type of building or structure) of Chapter 75 (Buildings) of the Code of the Village of Homer Glen], for certain real property located in the R-2A Single Family Residential District 17437 S. McCarron Rd., Homer Glen, Illinois.

Trustee Backal motioned to approve Ordinance No. 20-018, second by Trustee Rodgers.

_The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:_
Ayes: (5) Trustees Gray, Backal, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (1) Trustee Sweas
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
_The motion carried._

11. Motion to approve Resolution No. 20-004, a Resolution Authorizing the Reduction of the Speed Limit on 151st Street, from Bell Road to Cedar Road, to 40 miles per hour or less, as part of the 151st Street Roadway Widening project and Direct Staff to prepare a Resolution for Village Board consideration to reduce the speed limit to 35 miles per hour from Bell Road to Cedar Road effective August 1, 2020.
Trustee Caprio motioned to approve Resolution No. 20-004, second by Trustee Backal.

_The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:_
Ayes: (6) Trustees Gray, Sweas, Backal, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
_The motion carried._

12. Motion to approve Inter-Governmental Agreement between the Village of Homer Glen and the Homer Township Road District for Street Light Maintenance in Unincorporated Homer Township? It is understood that the street lights currently maintained by the Homer Township Road District, within unincorporated Homer Township, will be added to the Village’s street light maintenance contract with Lyons Pinner Electric Companies, or any future lighting maintenance contract, and that the Homer Township Road District will reimburse the Village for the monthly maintenance fee, which is currently $4.25 per street light.

Trustee Sweas motioned to approve the Inter-Governmental Agreement between the Village of Homer Glen and the Homer Township Road District, second by Trustee Caprio.

_The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:_
Ayes: (6) Trustees Gray, Sweas, Backal, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
_The motion carried._

13. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 20-019, an Ordinance Amending Addendum B-Drug Free Work Place of the Village’s Personnel Policy Statement.

Trustee Gray motioned to approve Ordinance No. 20-019, second by Trustee Caprio.

_The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:_
Ayes: (6) Trustees Gray, Sweas, Backal, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)
_The motion carried._

14. Motion to approve rules & regulations for outdoor dining for restaurants.

Trustee Caprio motioned to approve rules & regulations for outdoor dining for restaurants, second by Trustee Rodgers.

_The Mayor asked the Clerk to call the Roll:_
Ayes: (6) Trustees Gray, Sweas, Backal, Caprio, Pazmino, and Rodgers
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)

The motion carried.

J. WORKSHOP –


The Village Board discussed the impact of COVID-19 on Village revenues, local businesses and residents. The Board expressed a desire to temporarily loosen restrictions on signage and consider ways to assist restaurants with liquor licenses. The Board will take formal action on items at the June 10 Board Meeting.

K. OLD BUSINESS - None

L. NEW BUSINESS – None

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION -

1. Purchase or Sale of Real Property 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5)
2. Executive Session Minutes 5ILCS 120/2(c)(21)
3. Pending Litigation (5ILCS 120/2(c)(11)

Trustee Caprio motioned to enter Executive Session, second by Trustee Backal. Time 10:23pm.

Voice Vote:
Ayes: (6) Trustees Sweas, Burian, Holtz, Gray, Rodgers, and Pazmino
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)

The motion carried

The Village Board, Attorney Eric Hanson and Village Manager Karie Friling reconvened to the Regular board meeting at 10:52 pm. No action was taken.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Rodgers motioned to adjourn, second by Trustee Backal.

Voice Vote:
Ayes: (6) Trustees Sweas, Gray, Caprio, Backal, Rodgers, and Pazmino
Nays: (0)
Abstained: (0)
Absent: (0)

The motion carried.
The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 p.m.

Christina Neitzke-Troike, Village Clerk

Approved at the Board of Trustees Meeting dated August 12, 2020