

VILLAGE OF
FRANKFORT
EST. 1855

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR FRANKFORT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2017**

Mayor Jim Holland called the regular meeting of the Frankfort Village Board to order on Monday, December 4, 2017, at 7:00 P.M.

Administrator Rob Piscia called the roll. In attendance were Mayor Jim Holland, Trustees John Clavio, Cindy Heath, Bob Kennedy, Keith Ogle, and Mike Stevens. Also in attendance were Attorney George Mahoney, Police Chief John Burica, and Village Administrator Rob Piscia. Trustee Dick Trevarthan and Village Clerk Adam Borrelli were absent.

Scouts from Frankfort Boy Scout Troop #270 posted the Colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL ORDERS – UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA

All items on the Omnibus Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and are 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 Agenda and will be considered separately.

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Meeting (November 20, 2017)

B. Approval of Bills/Payroll - \$524,422.72/\$371,633.00

C. Financial Affairs Committee Report

1. Tax Levy Ordinance

(Waive 1st and 2nd Readings and Adopt)

Accept the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Committee, waive the First and Second Readings and adopt AN ORDINANCE (NO. 3124) PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, A.D. 2017 AND ENDING APRIL 30, A.D. 2018, FOR THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT, WILL & COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, STATE OF ILLINOIS, an Ordinance providing for the annual levy of taxes in the amount of \$2,993,221 for the fiscal year beginning on May 1, 2017 and ending on April 30, 2018.

2. Directions to Will County Clerk in Possible Tax Cap Levy Reduction – Resolution

Accept the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Committee and adopt A RESOLUTION (NO. 17-50) REGARDING DIRECTIONS TO WILL COUNTY CLERK IN POSSIBLE TAX CAP LEVY REDUCTION FOR THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT, WILL AND COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, directing the Will County Clerk on possible tax levy reductions for the 2017 Tax Levy.

Trustee Stevens made a motion (#1), seconded by Trustee Ogle, to approve the Unanimous Consent Agenda.

Following a motion to approve, Trustees Heath provided a brief overview of the consent agenda docket items under consideration for approval.

Mayor Holland invited trustee and audience comment on the consent agenda items prior to a vote being taken. None were forthcoming.

Administrator Piscia called the roll. Ayes: Trustees Clavio, Heath, Kennedy, Ogle, and Stevens. Nays: None. The motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Holland thanked Frankfort Boy Scout Troop 270 for the presentation of colors. He noted the Boy Scouts were working toward their citizenship in the community merit badges.
- Mayor Holland entertained a motion from the floor to appoint Jeffrey Cook as Assistant Village Administrator. Mr. Cook will continue to serve as Director of Community Development, adding the Assistant Village Administrator responsibilities to his duties.

Trustee Clavio made a motion (#2), seconded by Trustee Kennedy, to approve the appointment of Jeffrey Cook as Assistant Village Administrator. A voice vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion carried.

- Mayor Holland presented the Lincoln-Way East Varsity Football Team with a proclamation celebrating their achievement in winning the IHSA Class 8A State Championship in DeKalb, Illinois on November 25. Coach Zvonar expressed his appreciation to the Village Board and Lincoln-Way Board Member Ron Lullo also thanked the Village Board, voicing the board's commitment to keep the academics and athletics strong and good for the community, making this a place where people want to live.
- Mayor Holland reported Illinois will celebrate its 200th year from December 3, 2017 to its official birthday on December 3, 2018. Earlier today, the Village of Frankfort hosted an Illinois Bicentennial Flag Raising Ceremony to kick off the 365-day celebration. To mark this historic occasion, Mayor Holland entertained a motion from the floor to approve a proclamation celebrating Illinois' Bicentennial.

Trustee Heath made a motion (#3), seconded by Trustee Stevens, to approve a Proclamation endorsing the efforts of the Illinois Bicentennial Commission in promoting, planning and executing historic, educational, celebratory and cultural initiatives and further proclaim to recognize and celebrate the bicentennial of the state of Illinois. A voice vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion carried.

- Mayor Holland announced the following upcoming events: Annual FHBA Cookie Walk (December 9, 10), Midnight Madness (December 15), and holiday beautification award nominations (due December 15).
- Mayor Holland welcomed four new businesses to Frankfort.
- Mayor Holland reported sales tax revenue received in November for September collections (August sales) was \$525,642.37, which is \$28,642 over budget and \$11,142 over last year's amount for the same time. This puts the Village \$39,057 over budget for the first five months of the fiscal year and \$49,942 under receipts for the same time last year for sales tax revenue.
- An income tax payment of \$105,318.37 was received in November, which was \$3,682 under budget and \$931 over last year's amount for the same time. We are currently \$74,594 under budget for the first six months of receipts for the Village's fiscal year 2018. This income tax disbursement reflects the 10% reduction.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Burica thanked Boy Scout Troop 270 for posting the colors, congratulated the Lincoln-Way East football team on capturing the state championship title, and extended congratulations to Jeff Cook on his appointment as Assistant Village Administrator. He reminded residents that Village ordinance prohibits on-street parking after a 2-inch snowfall between 8:00 P.M. and 8:00 A.M.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Piscia extended his appreciation to the Boy Scouts. He congratulated Jeff Cook on his appointment as Assistant Village Administrator. He also congratulated Coach Zvonar and the varsity football team for bringing home the state championship. He announced the leaf collection program has officially ended for the season and staff is preparing the equipment for snow plowing. He noted residents can place leaves in yard waste bags and call the Village for pick-up.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Village Attorney George Mahoney had no report.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Village Board thanked Boy Scout Troop 270 for the posting of the colors. They extended congratulations to Jeff Cook on his appointment as Assistant Village Administrator and to the Lincoln-Way East High School State Champions for winning the IHSA Class 8A State Football Championship.

Trustee Clavio commented on the weekly happenings in downtown Frankfort over the weekend, including the tree lighting ceremony, the annual Frankfort Area Historical Society House Walk which sold over 400 tickets, and the Christkindl weekend celebration event.

Trustee Kennedy encouraged residents to shop Frankfort during the holiday season and to participate in the upcoming Winter on the Green events beginning on Saturday, January 13.

Trustee Heath expanded upon the Griffins state title, commenting on the recognition it brings to our school system and to the Village of Frankfort.

Trustee Stevens wished the Boy Scouts great success in their endeavor of becoming Eagle Scouts. He commented on the passing of Doris Sangmeister, wife of late Congressman George Sangmeister.

Trustee Ogle commented on the annual tree lighting and the candlelight house walk events. He also commented on the Griffins statue at the entrance of the school which provides the acronym Effort, Attitude, Spirit and Teamwork for EAST, traits exhibited throughout the community.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Frankfort Park District Board Commissioner Tom Ruvoli reported the Park District currently owns the property located at Laraway and LaGrange Road and the Board of Commissioners has declared the property unneeded for park purposes and plans to place a referendum on the March ballot asking the public to support the sale of the property. He noted two ice rinks at Main Park will open as soon as weather permits and skate rentals will be available. He also reported the Park District will offer the Christmas tree recycling program again this year.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Trustee Ogle made a motion (#4), seconded by Trustee Stevens, to adjourn the regular board meeting of Monday, December 4, 2017. A voice vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Rob Piscia
Village Administrator

As Presented As Amended



Jim Holland, Village President



Robert E. Piscia, Village Administrator