

VILLAGE OF  
**FRANKFORT**  
EST. 1855

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR FRANKFORT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 4, 2019**

Mayor Jim Holland called the regular meeting of the Frankfort Village Board to order on Monday, November 4, 2019, at 7:00 P.M.

Village Clerk Gene Savaria called the roll. In attendance were Mayor Jim Holland, Village Clerk Gene Savaria, Trustees Adam Borrelli, John Clavio, Margaret Farina, and Keith Ogle. Also in attendance were Attorney George Mahoney, Attorney Hannah Lamore, Police Chief John Burica, Village Administrator Rob Piscia, and Asst. Village Administrator Jeff Cook. Trustees Jessica Petrow and Dick Trevarthan were absent.

**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 (October 21, 2019)

B. Approval of Bills/Payroll - \$962,949.24/\$361,230.05

C. Plan Commission Report Summary

1. Jeep Connection Special Use Permit: 1010 Lambrecht Road – Ordinance  
Accept the Plan Commission recommendation, waive the First and Second Readings, and pass AN ORDINANCE (NO. 3232) GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR AUTOMOBILE SALES TO CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT, WILL AND COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS (JEEP CONNECTION – 1010 LAMBRECHT ROAD), granting a Special Use Permit for automobile sales to permit the operation of Jeep Connection, located at 1010 Lambrecht Road, in accordance with the reviewed plans and public testimony and conditioned upon all vehicles being stored indoors and no vehicle repair being conducted on site.
2. 1.5-Mile Review: United Rentals – 24149 S. LaGrange Road  
Accept the Plan Commission recommendation and vote “no objection” to the proposed Special Use Permit for light/heavy equipment rental to accommodate the operation of United Rentals on the property located at 24149 S. LaGrange Road, in unincorporated Green Garden Township, in accordance with the reviewed plans and conditioned upon screening of the outdoor storage area from the public right-of-way and adjacent properties, equipment stored outdoors not to exceed the height of the provided screening, paving or resurfacing

the parking lot with bituminous asphalt or concrete, and provision of a site lighting plan in accordance with minimum illumination requirements.

3. 1.5-Mile Review: WNB Final Plat of Subdivision – 20929 and 20931 S. 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Accept the Plan Commission recommendation and approve the final plat for the WNB Subdivision, located at 20929 and 20931 S. 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue, in unincorporated Frankfort Township, prepared by Ruettiger, Tonelli & Associates, Inc., latest revision dated 07.26.2019.

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

Trustees Borrelli and Clavio 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.

Clerk Savaria called the roll. Ayes: Trustees Borrelli, Clavio, Farina, and Ogle. Nays: None. Absent: Trustees Petrow and Trevarthan. The motion carried.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

- Mayor Holland welcomed Phil Simmons, Operation Playground Foundation President; Bob Wilson, Frankfort Fire Chief; Chuck Rudy, Boy Scout Troop 270 Committee Chair; and Harry D'Ercole, Chamber of Commerce President, who then described their role in the Frankfort Fall Festival and how funds generated from the event benefit our community.
- Mayor Holland reported the Village's leaf collection program is underway and will continue through the week of November 25. One final branch collection is scheduled for the week of December 2.
- Mayor Holland announced the following upcoming events: Veteran's Day concert at Hickory Creek Middle School on November 7, at 6:00 PM; Small Business Saturday on November 30; and Holiday Beautification Award Nominations accepted through December 17.
- Mayor Holland reported the Village Administration offices will be closed on Monday, November 11, in observance of Veteran's Day.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Chief Burica reminded residents that parking of vehicles upon any street in the Village between 8:00 PM and 8:00 AM after a 2" snowfall is prohibited. He encouraged residents to partner with the Frankfort Police Department and if you "see something, say something" immediately, noting two

recent arrests for car burglaries resulted from citizens reporting suspicious activity. He advised the best way to stop these types of crimes is to always lock your car doors and never leave keys or key fobs in your vehicle.

### **VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Administrator Piscia reported St. Francis Road is slated to reopen to allow two-way traffic the first week of December. He reported any damages to private property as part of the Village's Street Resurfacing Program will be repaired, noting the Village is working with the contractor and subcontractors to perform the work as soon as possible.

### **VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Village Attorney Hannah Lamore had no report.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

The Village Board expressed their appreciation to Phil Simmons, Bob Wilson, Chuck Rudy, and Harry D'Ercole, for explaining how funds generated from Fall Fest are used to benefit the community and for their supportive efforts in making this year's event the success it was. The trustees acknowledged the dedication and cooperation required between key organizations, volunteers, and residents for this successful festival.

Trustee Borrelli announced the annual Student Government Day event with 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from Hickory Middle School is scheduled for Monday, November 18. The day-long event concludes with a mock board meeting at 5:45 PM, prior to the Village Board meeting. All interested students and community members are invited to attend.

Trustee Ogle perceives the Frankfort Fall Festival as a great marketing tool for the Village and a key component in branding of our community.

Trustee Farina acknowledged November 11, Veteran's Day, and thanked U.S. military veterans for their service.

Trustee Clavio extended his congratulations to Officer Riff and his wife on the birth of their baby boy. He voiced his appreciation to those who have served in the Armed Forces and he encouraged residents to participate in the Honor Flight program as a way to show gratitude to America's veterans for their sacrifices. He encouraged residents to contact the Public Works Department at the Village Administration office to report a concern, including street light issues or stop light outages.

Clerk Savaria recognized the Suburban Service League, an all women volunteer organization, in celebration of 56 years of service and he extended his appreciation to Veterans for their service.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Frankfort resident Adam Widger spoke out against the location of the casino proposed at the corner of Lincoln Highway and Harlem Avenue and requested Village Board support to fight the development of this facility. He voiced concerns about the impact on our community, property values, and schools. He shared that several residents formed a group called Families Against Casinos in the Southland (FACTS) who launched a Facebook page to raise awareness on the issue.

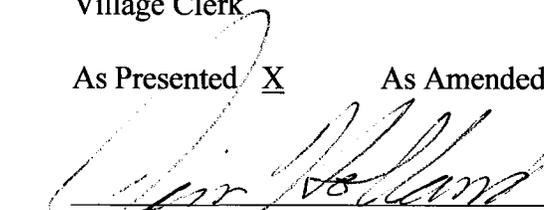
Frankfort resident Joe Carlasare also spoke out against the location of the proposed casino and called into question the potential economic impact of the casino on home prices and whether it would adversely affect our community in other areas as well, citing a 2013 study conducted by the National Association of Realtors. He thanked the Village Board for establishing an email system to provide accurate information and future updates to residents about the proposed casino and requested the Board to consider a nonbinding resolution opposing the southland casino facility being placed at this particular location.

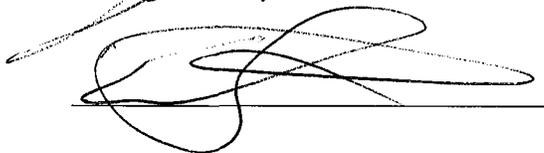
**ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further business, Trustee Clavio made a motion (#2), seconded by Trustee Ogle, to adjourn the regular board meeting of Monday, November 4, 2019. A voice vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

Eugene Savaria  
Village Clerk

As Presented  As Amended

  
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Jim Holland, Village President

  
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Eugene Savaria, Village Clerk