



VILLAGE OF  
**SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS**  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES



**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022**

Regular meeting was held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at the Village Hall, 3317 Chicago Road, South Chicago Heights, Illinois. Mayor Matthews called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance followed. Mayor Matthews requested Clerk Linan to call roll. The following were present:

Terry Matthews	Mayor	Nora Gomez	Administrator
John Wise	Attorney	Chad Vlietstra	Fire Chief
Catherine Linan	Village Clerk	John Dolasinski	Treasurer
John Ross	Trustee	Bill Joyce	Asst. Public Works Nick
Sally Marrufo	Trustee	Nick Goncher	Bldg. Director
Terry Fiorenzo	Trustee	William Joyce	Police Chief
Rose Ann Diederich	Trustee		

Trustee Bosco, Trustee Stanton, Police Deputy Byrnes, and DPW Director Martin were absent.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the Regular Board of Trustee meeting minutes of August 15, 2022, seconded by Trustee Fiorenzo. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of August 15, 2022, seconded by Trustee Ross. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the Special meeting minutes of August 25, 2022, seconded by Trustee Ross. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Sally Marrufo, John Ross & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: Trustee Fiorenzo.

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

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Motion carried 3 to 0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**APPROVAL OF THE MANUAL CHECK LIST OF AUGUST 31, 2022:** Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the manual check list of August 31, 2022, seconded by Trustee Fiorenzo. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2022:** Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the bill list of September 6, 2022, seconded by Trustee Diederich. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

### **TRUSTEE/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Trustee Marrufo stated that the village was hosting a shredding event on September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Center from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm for residents and no businesses. Trustee Marrufo stated that the last summer concert will be held on September 17<sup>th</sup> with the featured band Bernie Glim & Country Roads. Mayor Matthews stated that the annual fire department car show will also be held on September 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 11:00 am.

Administrator Gomez stated that September 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am will be the first meeting with Teska and that 2 board members, 2 directors, and one resident is needed for the committee. Mayor Matthews asked for volunteers and if none he will appoint the committee.

Clerk Linan announced that a solicitation application was received from Girl Scouts for their annual cookie sale and that everything was in order. Clerk Linan stated that she received a call from South Chicago Heights resident Mrs. Teske thanking Mayor Matthews, village staff, and DPW Director Martin for replacing her broken garbage can.

Fire Chief Vlietstra stated that there were 148 calls for fire service last month and that 98 were EMS and 50 were fire related. Chief Vlietstra stated that his department lost Engineer/ Paramedic Dan Price and that we are down one full-time contract employee and Metro does not have a replacement.

Police Chief Joyce stated in the month of August, there were 824 calls for Police service. The total calls for police service year to date is 5,282. Chief Joyce stated that 29 guns have been seized so far this year 2022 and taken off the streets.

Asst. DPW Director Joyce stated that the department had 5 main breaks in the month of August and three of which were on 27<sup>th</sup> street caused by a landscaping company illegally tapped into village fire hydrant causing a water loss of approximately 300,000 gallons of water. Director Joyce stated that

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approximately 10.9 million gallons of water were pumped last month averaging 353,00 gallons per day.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES FOR THE 2022 IML CONFERENCE PER THE VILLAGE'S TRAVEL POLICY (ORDINANCE 2016-ORD-16):** Mayor Matthews stated that this approval was needed for attendance to the 2022 IML Conference. Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve expenditures for the 2022 IML Conference, seconded by Trustee Fiorenzo. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**MOTION TO APPROVE 2022 HALLOWEEN TRICK-R-TREAT HOURS:** Mayor Matthews stated that in previous years the hours were 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm and asked the board about this year's hours. Discussion ensued amongst the board regarding the hours and the Mayor and the board agreed to the same hours. Trustee Diederich motioned to approve trick-r-treat from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm, seconded by Trustee Ross. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**2022-R-31: A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND THE COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION OF COOK COUNTY FOR SERVICES RELATED TO THE LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:**

Mayor Matthews presented the resolution. Administrator Gomez explained that this is a program CEDA offers to assist residents who qualify with funds to help pay their water bill 3 times a year or a maximum of \$1,500.00. Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Trustee Ross. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**2022-R-32: A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A PROPOSAL FROM COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION RESOURCES INC. RELATED TO THE SENIOR CENTER PAVILION:**

Mayor Matthews presented the resolution. Trustee Ross motioned to approve the resolution for the proposal to repair all the pavilion pillars, seconded by Trustee Diederich. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

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Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**2022-ORD-24: AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING THE DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY (1972 AMERICAN LAFRANCE FIRE TRUCK VIN 14-1-2921):**

Mayor Matthews presented the ordinance and asked Fire Chief to explain. Fire Chief stated that they have a potential private buyer for the old fire truck. Trustee Ross motioned to approve the ordinance, seconded by Trustee Fiorenzo. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**2022-ORD-25: AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, GRANTING APPROVAL OF A DESIGN REVIEW PERMIT FOR A PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICES ANTENNA ON VILLAGE PROPERTY (120 EAST SAUK TRAIL):**

Mayor Matthews presented the ordinance and explained that this is for the cell tower approved for water tower on Sauk Trail. Trustee Ross motioned to approve the ordinance, seconded by Trustee Diederich. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross, & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None

Absent: Trustee Bosco & Eric Stanton.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Matthews stated that he received a proposal to repair the roof at 2728 Chicago Road from CCR for \$230,000 and asked the board if they wanted to repair the roof or demolish the building. Mayor Matthews stated a proposal from Chem Check to demolish the building was for \$25,900.00. Discussion ensued amongst the board regarding fixing or demolishing the building. The board agreed to waive the bid process and demolish the building.

Mayor Matthews stated that an offer was received on 3244 Butler for \$100,000 and that the potential buyers want to take possession in one month. Discussion ensued amongst the board regarding cleaning out equipment in building and the price.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With nothing further to discuss, Trustee Fiorenzo motioned to adjourn the Regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Diederich. On a voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Catherine Linan, Village Clerk



Dated