

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK – MAY 12, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bolingbrook was called to order at the hour of 8:02 p.m., May 12, 2015, in Bolingbrook, Illinois, by Mayor Roger C. Claar.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Claar requested all Veterans in attendance lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL**

Village Clerk, Carol Penning, called the roll. Present were: Mayor Roger C. Claar, and Trustees Leroy J. Brown, Michael T. Lawler, Ricardo Morales, Joseph B. Morelli, Patricia E. Schanks and Maria A. Zarate

Absent: None

Also present were: Village Clerk – Carol S. Penning, Village Attorney - James Boan, Public Safety Director - Thomas Ross, Finance Director – Rosa Cojulun, Director of Public Services & Development – Lucas Rickelman

Absent: None

Representing the press: Tribune Local - Sarah Marchmont (new Bolingbrook reporter)

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

Motion Brown, second Shanks to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 28, 2015, Village Board meeting submitted by the Village Clerk.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS**

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Motion Morales, second Lawler to approve the agenda as submitted.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS**

None

## **PROCLAMATIONS**

**POPPY DAYS, MAY 22 - 24, 2015:** Mayor Claar proclaimed May 22nd through May 24th, 2015, POPPY DAYS in Bolingbrook and urged citizens to recognize the merits of this cause by contributing generously to its support through the purchase of poppies and to wear a Buddy Poppy to signify gratitude to the men and women of this country who have risked their lives in defense of the freedoms which we continue to enjoy as American citizens. Bob Adame, Commander of Bolingbrook VFW Post 5917, accepted the proclamation.

**NATIONAL POLICE WEEK, MAY 10 - MAY 16, 2015:** Mayor Claar proclaimed May 10th through May 16th, 2015, NATIONAL POLICE WEEK and urged citizens to especially honor and show our sincere appreciation for the Police Officers of Bolingbrook by deed, remark and attitude. The proclamation asked all residents to make every effort to express their thanks to our men and women who make it possible for us to leave our homes and families in safety each day and return knowing they are protected by men and women willing to sacrifice their lives, if necessary, to guard our loved ones, property and government against all who would violate the law. Chief Tom Ross, Director of Public Safety, accepted the proclamation.

**AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY "RELAY FOR LIFE", May 30 - May 31, 2015:** Mayor Claar proclaimed May 30th and May 31st, 2015, AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY "RELAY FOR LIFE" days in Bolingbrook and encouraged all Bolingbrook residents to participate in and support the Relay for Life event. Ingrid Cache, member of the Relay for Life staff, accepted the proclamation.

## **PROMOTIONS/SWEARING IN**

Fire Department: Christopher Robert was sworn in as a new Firefighter (Badge #7219).

Fire and Police Board Members present were Ray Macri and Major Jones.

Mayor Claar talked about two (2) items:

1. The Letter Carrier Food Drive this year produced 29,250 lbs. of food which was 700 lbs. more than in 2014.
2. Bolingbrook's 50th Anniversary Commemorative Coin was available for sale at Village Hall for \$3.00 and will be sold at Village functions throughout the year.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **PUBLIC HEARING RE: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**

Motion Brown, second Zarate to open a Public Hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried and the Public Hearing opened at 8:21 p.m.

The Village was required to have a Public Hearing regarding its proposed Community Development Block Grant expenditures. These programs were contained in the Village's 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Budget. The grant included:

\$36,000.00	Housing and Finance Counseling Foreclosure Prevention
35,000.00	Emergency Home Repair
2,000.00	Emergency Displacement Assistance
<u>214,329.00</u>	Infrastructure Improvements
\$287,329.00	

The Village's CDBG program will be administered by Will County Land Use Department.

**QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS**

There were no questions or comments on the Public Hearing.

Motion Morales, second Schanks to close the Public Hearing.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried and the Public Hearing closed at 8:23 p.m.

**BILL APPROVAL**

Motion Brown, second Morales to approve expenditures submitted as Bill Listing A - Payables in the amount of \$301,049.79 and Bill Listing B - Pre-pays in the amount of \$832,094.74 totaling \$1,133,144.53. (Copies were made available in the Finance Dept. and Clerk's Office.)

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

**MOTIONS**

**MOTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND ACCEPT THE ABSTRACT OF VOTES FOR THE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION HELD APRIL 7, 2015 FROM THE DUPAGE AND WILL COUNTY CLERKS**

Motion Morelli, second Zarate to accept a motion to acknowledge and accept the abstract of votes for the Consolidated Election held April 7, 2015, from the DuPage and Will County Clerks.

This motion accepted and acknowledged the final abstract (vote totals) from the Will and DuPage County Clerk's office from the April 7, 2015 election.

Final vote totals are as follows:

Leroy Brown	2,712	30.51%
Ricardo "Rick" Morales	2,359	26.54%
Patricia Schanks	2,316	26.05%
Robert Jaskiewicz	1,503	16.91%

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

**MOTION TO REJECT ALL MOTOR FUEL TAX BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING MATERIAL GROUPS; SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM, STREET LIGHT LUMINAIRES, PAVEMENT MARKINGS AND CONCRETE AND GRAVEL**

Motion Schanks, second Zarate to accept a motion to reject all Motor Fuel Tax Bids for the following material groups; Sidewalk Replacement Program, Street Light Luminaires, Pavement Markings and Concrete and Gravel.

This motion rejected all of the Motor Fuel Tax Bids that were submitted. These items were bid as a group which was the process that had been followed in the past. IDOT now wanted them bid individually. This motion rejected all bids. The MFT program/items will be rebid.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION 15R-024**

**APPROVING PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH NORTH AMERICAN YOUTH SPORTS RE 2015 NATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

Motion Morales, second Zarate to adopt a resolution approving a Partnership Agreement with North American Youth Sports regarding the 2015 National Basketball Tournament.

This was the 10<sup>th</sup> year that the Village entered into a Partnership Agreement with North American Youth Sports to co-host a National Basketball Tournament. This year's Tournament will be July 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>. The Village agreed to provide gym space at five (5) locations. NAYS waived the \$600 entry fee for eight (8) local teams and allowed youth sports groups to operate concessions at the venue and retain the profits. The gym rental costs were paid for through the hotel/motel tax. This resolution approved this year's agreement.

Trustee Morelli gave details of the event.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 15R-025**

**APPROVING PROPOSALS FROM VARIOUS VENDORS FOR LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE AND TREE REPLACEMENT**

Motion Brown, second Lawler to adopt a resolution approving proposals from various vendors for landscaping maintenance and tree replacement.

This resolution approved the Village's annual Spring Landscape Maintenance Program. The contract included the grounds at Town Center, treatment plants, medians, parkways, retention ponds, fire stations and Meyer Park. Landscape maintenance includes mowing, mulch, weed control and tree planting for replacement ash trees. This year's program cost was as follows:

Rick's Landscaping	\$127,885.00
Hassert Landscaping	283,125.00
Sebert Landscaping	445,206.00
Capital Venture	46,401.00
American Landscaping	<u>94,532.00</u>
	\$997,149.00

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 15R-026**  
**APPROVING PROPOSAL FOR POND AERATORS FROM MARS, LLC (BLACKHAWK POND AND BOLINGBROOK GOLF COURSE)**

Motion Zarate, second Morales to adopt a resolution approving the proposal for pond aerators from Mars, LLC (Blackhawk Pond and Bolingbrook Golf Course).

This resolution accepted a proposal from Mars, LLC to provide pond aerators for retention areas at Blackhawk Pond and the Bolingbrook Golf Course. Aerators help reduce algae growth, control odors and reduce the amount of chemicals used to control mosquitos. Mars will also remove the existing algae growth when the aerators are installed. The cost was \$35,000. The Public Works Committee reviewed the proposal and recommended approval.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 15R-027**  
**AMENDING CHAPTER 5 OF THE PERSONNEL MANUAL (WHISTLE BLOWER POLICY)**

Motion Lawler, second Zarate to adopt a resolution amending Chapter 5 of the Personnel Manual regarding Whistle Blower Policy.

In the course of the 2013-2014 Audit, Wolfe and Company recommended that the Village adopt a "Whistle Blower" policy to protect any employee or board member from retaliation if they disclose wrongdoing. This resolution was based on State Statute 105 ILCS 5/34-2.4c.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 15R-028**  
**APPROVING APPLICATION AND AGREEMENTS WITH WILL COUNTY FOR A 2015 CDBG**

Motion Morales, second Zarate to adopt a resolution approving an application and agreements with Will County for a 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

This resolution approved the 2015 Community Development Block Grant Programs that were outlined during the Public Hearing. The resolution was forwarded to Will County Land Use Department that administers the grant for the Village.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

## **ORDINANCES**

### **ORDINANCE 15-025**

#### **AMENDING CHAPTER 17 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE, ARTICLE 15, REGARDING DIESEL TRUCK PARKING AND STANDING**

Motion Morelli, second Morales to pass an ordinance amending Chapter 17 of the Municipal Code, Article 15, regarding diesel truck parking and standing.

The Village had been seeing an increase in the number of semi-trucks and trailers parking illegally in shopping center parking lots. The current \$30 fine was not a strong enough deterrent to stop the trucks from violating the ordinance. This ordinance increased the fine to \$250 and allowed the Police Department to issue a ticket every sixty (60) minutes for a maximum of \$2,000 within a 24-hour period.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate

Nay 0 - None

Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

## **OATH OF OFFICE**

Will County 12th Judicial Circuit Court (Subcircuit No. 4) Judge Paula Gomora administered the Oath of Office to the newly re-elected Trustees, Leroy Brown, Ricardo "Rick" Morales, and Patricia Schanks, for an additional four-year term. It was noted that Judge Gomora was assigned by the Court to work with juveniles.

Will County 12th Judicial Circuit Court Judge Paula Gomora administered the Oath of Office to the newly re-elected Trustee Leroy Brown for a four-year term.

Will County 12th Judicial Circuit Court Judge Paula Gomora administered the Oath of Office to the newly re-elected Trustee Ricardo "Rick" Morales for a four-year term.

Will County 12th Judicial Circuit Court Judge Paula Gomora administered the Oath of Office to the newly re-elected Trustee Patricia Schanks for a four-year term.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

## **TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

Trustee Lawler congratulated Trustees Brown, Schanks and Morales on their re-election. He also mentioned that his son, Brendan, graduated from Illinois State last Friday.

Trustee Morales told residents to go to the Village website and scroll down to the "Village of Bolingbrook News Feed" section and click on "Protect My Town". This will give you the link that would enable you to email your State Representative, Senator and Governor Rauner to let them know not to reduce municipal funding because you do not want your services cut that the Village provides.

Mayor Claar added that the State legislature and Governor Rauner were talking about cutting the municipalities' portion of the State Income Tax fund by 50%. This cut would result in Bolingbrook losing \$3.5 million. This would devastate the Village budget and he felt that since Springfield caused the problem by overspending on programs they couldn't afford that they should find a way to solve their own problem. He talked more in depth about the fiscal problems of the State.

Trustee Schanks gave revised details about the "Early Pioneer Brunch" that was originally scheduled for Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, at the Levy Center was changed to Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, at the Bolingbrook Golf Club and will be hosted by DuPage Township, Village of Bolingbrook and the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee. An early settler/pioneer was considered anyone that moved into Bolingbrook between 1960 and 1970. Those who would like to see a list of 50th Anniversary events planned can go on and look it over. Mayor Claar thanked the hosts of the event for changing the date of the brunch so that he was able to attend. Right before the Early Pioneer Brunch on June 27<sup>th</sup>, the Bolingbrook Museum Dedication will take place at 10:00 a.m. at the site on East Briarcliff Road.

Trustee Brown gave details on the Bolingbrook Police Department Donation Drive, Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, named "Fill a Bag & Make a Difference". They accepted donations of clothing and other personal items between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at Village Hall. Proceeds help fund the Special Olympics.

Trustee Morelli commented on how well the campaign for the re-elected Trustees was run and in such a positive manner.

Trustee Zarate announced that Mariachi Matters Band in Bolingbrook had the pleasure of performing for Governor Rauner in Springfield. She noted that the Multicultural Fair at Tibbot Elementary last Friday was a great time. She announced that artists were needed to display their art at the Village Picnic in June and gave a contact number. She informed everyone that the 50th Anniversary Gold Coin was now available at Village Hall for \$3. Lastly, she congratulated all of the newly re-elected Trustees.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Brown, second Morales to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Roger C. Claar  
MAYOR

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Carol S. Penning, CMC  
VILLAGE CLERK