

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK – DECEMBER 15, 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 8:00 p.m., December 15, 2015, in Bolingbrook, Illinois, by Mayor Roger C. Claar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Claar requested Gloria Kolbusz, 111 Concord Lane, seven (7) year resident and new Beautification Commissioner, lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

Representing the press: Sarah Marchmont - Local Trib

The Bolingbrook High School Madrigal Singers entertained everyone tonight by performing a few Christmas Carols.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Motion Brown, second Schanks to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 17, 2015, Village Board meeting as submitted by the Village Clerk.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

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

Voice vote. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

Motion Morelli, second Zarate to approve commission appointments as follows:

Historic Preservation Commission New Appointments: Amanda Overeem & Celia Chretien

Beautification Commission New Appointment: Gloria Kolbusz

Voice vote. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

SPIRIT OF HALLOWEEN AWARDS: Mayor Claar, Commission Chair, Phyllis Ann Ruggiero and Commissioners John Ruggiero and Roy Herman presented residents with their awards.

Evilena & George	Luellen	317 Plainview Drive
Steve	Westrom	384 Plainview Drive
Richard & Sonya	Hanley	300 Willoway Drive
Shari	Joly	538 Forest Way
Hazelyn	Garcia	400 Justine Avenue
Monica & Patrick	Konior	432 Rockhurst Road
Jennifer & Jason	Rose	438 Galahad Road
William	Davies	193 Delmar Drive
Suzanne	Cabage	135 Delaware Drive
George & Sharon	Peterson	105 Lee Lane
Ronald & June	Bingham	420 Cardinal Lane
George Nestor &	Bailey Kellien	230 Tiger Street
Larry & Meagan	Dunn	168 Hillside Drive
Jason	Sanders	155 Thackeray Drive
Douglas	Edmunds	227 Beaver Creek
Frank & Sheryl	Von Westernhage	801 Barclay Drive
Nathaniel & Heather	Scalia	784 Lindsey Lane
Peter	Chapman	486 Springwood Lane
Richard	Villarreal	1409 W. Briarcliff Road
Jeff & Debra	Hansen	161 S. Palmer Drive
Tammy	Warden	784 Delacourte Ave.
John & Michelle	Orr	1324 Farmstead Lane
Cynthia & Charles	Uplegger	1336 Wingfield Way
Raymond	Rojek	149 Flagstaff Drive
Norbert & Rosemary	Przybylski	533 Emerson Drive
Lawrence	Watters	565 Emerson Drive
Kristin	Kaminski	486 Degas Circle
Brian	Duncan	527 Boardman Circle
Jody & Tony	Calcagno	559 Boardman Circle
Robert Zabala &	Chris Kuersten	527 Truman Street
John Molina &	Re Gomez	843 Wescott Road
William	Scarola	376 Twin Creeks Drive
Elizabeth	Rochowiak	555 Whitehall Way
Joseph & Jaqueline	Adamski	589 Whitehall Way
Mary	Brennan	928 N. Ashbury Avenue
Richard & Maryellen	Schultz	504 Cambridge Way

John	Trnadel	562 Buckingham Way
Richard & Evelyn	Timpe	608 N. Pinecrest Avenue
Gary & Katherine	Miller	641 N. Pinecrest Avenue
Barb	Martinek	590 Warbler Drive
Michael & Cheryl	Manis	4 Dunmore Court
Patricia	Maldonado	608 Derbyshire Lane
Juanita	Garcia	733 N. Pinecrest Road
Albert	Shubert	804 Tam O'Shanter Circle
Allison & David	Bogash	808 Tam O'Shanter Circle
Lori Sall &	William O'Toole	208 N. Ashbury Avenue
Chris & Susan	Munger	252 Laurie Circle
David	Patek	688 Melissa Drive
Jon & Wendy	Leech	336 Ruth Circle
Pamela & Michael	Lugo	428 Navajo Court
Cheryl	Furmaniak	184 Nottingham Drive
Cindy Ray &	Dennis Galuska	148 Mayfield Drive
Petros	Koutsopanagos	281 Mallard Landing
Dwayne & Carol	Lucero	129 Cedarwood Avenue
Donna & Corrie	Harris	160 Kingston Drive
Larry Kravish &	Jean Kuzma	169 Lawton Lane
Francisco Cuaya &	Flavia Torres	213 Lawton Lane
Jeffrey & Misty	Hankey	121 Mellbrook Road
Louis	Baranowski	293 Butte View Drive

PROCLAMATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS/SWEARING-IN

Historic Preservation Commission: Amanda Overeem and Celia Chretien were sworn-in as new commissioners.

Beautification Commission: Gloria Kolbusz was sworn-in as a new commissioner.

PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK FOR 2015 PURSUANT TO THE TRUTH IN TAXATION ACT (35ILCS 200/18-50)

Motion Morales, second Morelli to open the Public Hearing regarding the proposed Property Tax Levy for the Village of Bolingbrook for 2015.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
 Nay 0 - None
 Absent 0 - None

Motion carried and the Public Hearing opened at 8:34 p.m.

State Statute required a Public Hearing before the Village could adopt its' 2015 Property Tax Levy. The hearing allowed the public to comment before the levy was adopted later in the agenda.

Questions or comments: None

Motion Morelli, second Lawler 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 8:36 p.m.

BILL APPROVAL

Motion Brown, second Zarate to approve expenditures submitted as Bill Listing A - Payables in the amount of \$1,921,892.82 and Bill Listing B - Pre-pays in the amount of \$2,179,291.64 totaling \$4,101,184.46. (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.

TAX RECEIPTS

1. August, 2015 State Income Tax - \$748,570.81 (August, 2014 State Income Tax - \$695,788.83) – a 7.6% Increase
2. September, 2015 Sales Tax - \$2,750,718.21 (September, 2014 Sales Tax - \$3,191,439.82) – a 13.8% decrease
3. September, 2015 Motor Fuel Tax - \$-0- (September, 2014 Motor Fuel Tax – (\$159,053.98)

Note: The State has stopped distributing MFT funds.

MOTIONS

MOTION TO REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT PREPARED BY BKD LLP

Motion Zarate, second Schanks to accept a motion to review and accept the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Audit prepared by BKD LLP.

This motion accepted the Village's 2014-2015 Fiscal Audit prepared by BKD LLP. The Finance Committee reviewed the audit and recommended acceptance. Upon acceptance by the Board, the audit will be placed on display, including the Village's website and submitted to the State.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
Nay 0 - None
Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPOINT ROBBINS SCHWARTZ AS CORPORATE COUNSEL FOR THE VILLAGE

Motion Brown, second Morales to accept a motion to appoint Robbins Schwartz as Corporate Counsel for the Village of Bolingbrook.

This motion appointed Robbins Schwartz as the Village’s Corporate Counsel.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
 Nay 0 - None
 Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 15R-076
APPROVING AIRY’S, INC. CHANGE ORDER (CHICK EVANS STORM SEWER AND LIFT STATION IMPROVEMENTS)

Motion Lawler, second Schanks to adopt a resolution approving Airy's, Inc., change order (Chick Evans Storm Sewer and Lift Station Improvements).

The Village has been working with the homeowners on Chick Evans Drive and Trevino Circle for several years to alleviate flooding of their basements. The problem stemmed from seasonally high ground water. The Village retained Airy’s, Inc., to install a lift station and piping to divert the water. The original contract amount was \$219,330.

This resolution approved a final balancing Change Order in the amount of \$37,356.86, for design changes, bringing the project cost to \$256,686.86. The budgeted amount was included in the engineering projects budget.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
 Nay 0 - None
 Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 15-069
AMENDING CHAPTER 25, ARTICLE 3 – PLUMBING REGULATIONS OF THE BOLINGBROOK MUNICIPAL CODE (WATER CONSERVATION)

Motion Schanks, second Morales to pass an ordinance amending Chapter 25, Article 3 - Plumbing Regulations of the Bolingbrook Municipal Code regarding water conservation.

This was a housekeeping measure. The State of Illinois, Department of Natural Resources, required (17 Ill. Admin. Code 3730.307(c) (4)) all municipalities that use Lake Michigan water to adopt rules requiring the use of plumbing fixtures that conserve water.

This ordinance amended Chapter 25, Article 3, Section 25-303, of the Municipal Code to require all new plumbing fixtures and irrigation controllers to bear the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency "Water Sense" label.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
 Nay 0 - None
 Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 15-070
APPROVING WAIVER OF ELECTRICAL FENCE PROHIBITION – 679 E. SOUTH FRONTAGE ROAD (DD LOGISTICS)

Motion Morelli, second Zarate to pass an ordinance approving a waiver of the electrical fence prohibition for 679 E. South Frontage Rd. - DD Logistics.

DD Logistics, located at 679 E. South Frontage Road, operated a storage facility and would like to install an electrical fence in order to protect their property. The Municipal Code banned the installation of electrical fences. The business requested an exemption from Chapter 29, Article 5 Section 5-105.c.2.b. This ordinance allowed an electric fence to be installed.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
 Nay 0 - None
 Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 15-071
AMENDING CHAPTER 14 – “OTHER BUSINESSES” OF THE BOLINGBROOK MUNICIPAL CODE (NEW ARTICLE 5 – IMMOBILIZATION OF VEHICLES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY)

Motion Brown, second Zarate to pass an ordinance amending Chapter 14 "Other Businesses" of the Bolingbrook Municipal Code (new Article 5 - Immobilization of Vehicles on Private Property).

This ordinance was a Police Department initiative. There have been ongoing issues between the commercial property owners and truckers that park their trucks and trailers in their parking lots for extended periods of time. Beaconridge Subdivision has also had problems with cars parking illegally.

The Beaconridge Improvement Association (B.I.A.) and Shopping Center owners have resorted to hiring companies to utilize a "Denver Boot" to disable vehicles and then "fine" them to get their vehicle back. All of the lots are posted "No Truck Parking". The use of the "boot" has created disputes which required the Police Department to mediate between vehicle owners, the Towing Companies and land owners.

This ordinance regulated the use of “booting” on private property. Booting companies will be required to obtain a Village license (\$100.00/yr.), have insurance, install warning signs, provide notice prior to installing a “boot”, and will have a limited amount that can be charged. The Bolingbrook Police Department will handle the licensing.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
 Nay 0 - None
 Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 15-072
APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF 125 AVONDALE COURT – EASTSIDE STORMWATER PROJECT

Motion Brown, second Schanks to pass an ordinance approving the purchase of 125 Avondale Ct. - Eastside Stormwater Project.

In the early 2000’s, the Village acquired thirteen (13) properties on Avondale Court. They were demolished and the properties were regraded to provide stormwater detention. This part of the Village was built prior to incorporation and without stormwater detention requirements. The homes were subject to frequent flooding.

In conjunction with this project, the Village created the Freedom Fountain. The property at 125 Avondale had been foreclosed and was vacant. It connected the stormwater detention area and the park sites. Acquiring the house and demolishing it provided additional detention and expanded the park site. The purchase price was \$127,500. This ordinance approved the purchase.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
 Nay 0 - None
 Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 15-073
ABATING TAXES HERETOFORE LEVIED TO PAY INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL ON \$52,670,000 SPECIAL SERVICE AREAS NUMBERS 2001-1, 2001-2, 2001-3, AND 2002-1 SPECIAL TAXES REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2007

Motion Morelli, second Zarate to pass an ordinance abating taxes heretofore levied to pay interest and principal on \$52,670,000 Special Service Areas numbers 2001-1, 2001-2, 2001-3 and 2002-1 Special Taxes Refunding Bonds, Series 2007.

This ordinance abated principal and interest on \$52,670,000 from the 2007 (refinancing of 2001-1, 2001-2, 2001-3, and 2002-1) Special Services Area bonds. The amount being abated was \$929,517.92, leaving a net levy amount of \$3,532,593.08.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
Nay 0 - None
Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 15-074

LEVYING TAXES FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES OF THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON MAY 1, 2015 AND ENDING ON APRIL 30, 2016

Motion Brown, second Zarate to pass an ordinance levying taxes for Corporate purposed of the Village of Bolingbrook for the current fiscal year commencing on May 1, 2015 and ending on April 30, 2016.

This ordinance approved the Village's 2015 Property Tax Levy. The total Levy will be \$23,891,155. The Village will only be levying for three (3) purposes: pensions (police and fire), debt service and refuse pick-up. There were no operational monies included in the levy. The amounts levied were:

Police Pension	\$ 4,485,772
Fire Pension	3,522,475
Debt Service	10,183,964
Refuse Pick-Up	<u>5,698,944</u>
Total	\$23,891,155

For a comparison to last year and to see what the typical Tax Bill would look like, a handout was available. Local governments continue to struggle to balance the service needs of their residents with the taxes being paid. The Village accounts for approximately 8.7% of the real estate tax bill.

Recently, Naperville announced a \$250 increase to a typical homeowner's bill and Joliet was closing a fire station and cutting back on capital improvements.

The staff will be investigating alternative sources of revenue and will have until March to make final adjustments to the Levy. The Finance Committee reviewed the Tax Levy and recommended adoption.

ROLL CALL: Yea 6 - Brown, Lawler, Morales, Morelli, Schanks, Zarate
Nay 0 - None
Absent 0 - None

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

TRUSTEES' COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

Trustee Lawler reminded residents that judging for outdoor Christmas decorations would be done this weekend. Anyone who wanted to be included in the judging should have their outdoor lights on from dusk to 10 p.m. He wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Trustee Morales thanked the Madrigal Singers for performing at the meeting. He also gave details about the State of the Village Address luncheon being held at the Bolingbrook Golf Club on Thursday, January 14th. He wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and urged everyone to remember the troops.

Trustee Schanks gave information on how to donate items or monetary gifts to Operation Christmas. Operation Christmas holds a Garage Sale after Christmas that is open to the public. It will be held on Friday, January 15th and Saturday, January 16th, on the Performing Arts Stage behind Village Hall, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Proceeds help fund next year's Operation Christmas. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Trustee Brown asked that people remember families that are in need of food and clothing this year. There were 240 homeless kids in the District this year. He urged people to be aware of the situation and to help them out. He then wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy and Safe New Year.

Trustee Morelli wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Trustee Zarate expressed condolences to the family of Rachel Cordero who recently passed at age 84. She was a long-time Bolingbrook resident along with her husband Paul. She was the president of the Hispanic Heritage Organization which she formed in 1984. The organization enhanced the education and awareness of both Hispanics and non-Hispanics. Rachel organized and participated in many events and organizations in support of the Hispanic community both locally and in Chicago. She then wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy 2016. Happy New Year...be safe and kind to one another.

Mayor Claar also wished everyone Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Brown, second Schanks to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

ATTEST:

Roger C. Claar
MAYOR

Carol S. Penning, CMC
VILLAGE CLERK