

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION
11004 Carpenter Street, Mokena, Illinois 60448**

Session #001

January 14, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fleischer called the Regular Session of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Trustees and members of the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor wished everyone a happy new year.

ROLL CALL/ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Clerk Martini called the roll and the following Trustees were present:

Joseph E. Budzyn
Debbie Engler
Jillian Hersted
George Metanias
Jim Richmond
Joe Siwinski

Also present were: Clerk Melissa Martini; Village Administrator John Tomasoski; Finance Director Barb Damron; Public Works Director Lou Tiberi; Assistant Village Administrator Kirk Zoellner; Police Chief Steve Vaccaro; Community/Economic Development Director Alan Zordan; Staff Engineer Dan Peloquin; and Village Attorneys Carl Buck and Lorien Schoenstedt.

DISCOVER MOKENA

Kim Juracek, President of the Lincolnway Foundation for Educational Excellence, spoke about the foundation and their upcoming fundraiser on February 9th at Odyssey Country Club.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Clerk Martini presented the Community Calendar.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Schlegel spoke about respect for the flag. He also commented on public comments at meetings. He recently attended an Economic Development meeting and was not allowed to speak following discussion and action by the Commission on an agenda item. He spoke about Downers Grove and their policy allowing public comments at all meetings. He would like to see the Village of Mokena adopt a similar policy.

CONSENT AGENDA

Village Administrator John Tomasoski presented (2) items on the Consent Agenda for Board approval. These items are strictly administrative in nature.

- a. Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-O-001, an Ordinance pertaining to the classification and number of Liquor Licenses issued in the Village of Mokena; and to authorize the Village President and Village Clerk to execute same.
- b. Motion to approve minutes from the December 10, 2018 Board meeting and work session.

Trustee Engler made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 6 (a) and (b) as depicted in the January 10, 2019 Request for Board Action prepared by the Village Administrator. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Richmond, Budzyn, Metanias, Engler, Hersted, Siwinski
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

FINANCE REPORT

Finance Director Barb Damron presented the accounts payable list for January totaling \$952,475.81. She highlighted the following invoices to be paid.

- \$ 116,675.00 Bank of New York Mellon – P & I on Downtown Bonds
- 4,771.40 Via Limo Worldwide Inc. – Safe Ride Home Program

Trustee Engler made a motion to approve the monthly accounts payable in the amount of \$952,475.81. Trustee Metanias seconded.

Trustee Budzyn asked if Ms. Damron knew how many rides were provided on New Years Eve with the Safe Ride Home Program.

Ms. Damron stated that ten rides were provided. Mokena, New Lenox and Tinley Park each had two and Palos Heights had four.

Chief Vaccaro stated he would receive a report shortly with additional details.

AYES: (6) Richmond, Budzyn, Metanias, Engler, Hersted, Siwinski

NAYS: (0)

Absent: (0)

Motion carried

PRESENTATIONS/APPOINTMENTS/PROCLAMATIONS

N/A

PUBLIC HEARINGS

N/A

OLD BUSINESS

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

N/A

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATORS COMMENTS

Village Administrator Tomasoski requested Community/Economic Development Director Alan Zordan update the Board on development and business activities. Mr. Zordan provided an update on pending development projects, announced new businesses, and highlighted gyms and health clubs.

Administrator Tomasoski spoke about utilizing the Village Hall as a warming center and exercising caution during the winter season.

Mayor Fleischer stated that he did not ask for other comments after Mr. Schlegel spoke and wanted to know if there were any additional public comments. There were no additional comments.

TRUSTEE'S COMMENTS

Trustee Metanias hoped everyone had a great Christmas and that 2019 is better than 2018. He said hello to Daniel Potter.

Trustee Engler hoped everyone had a good holiday. She congratulated Officer McVicker and Officer Stanglewicz for their part in successfully locating a missing child. She also congratulated four employees having perfect attendance in 2018.

Trustee Richmond also congratulated Officers McVicker and Stanglewicz. He spoke about holiday wishes he received from two children delivering cards on Therese Lane.

CLERK'S COMMENTS

N/A

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Fleischer spoke about the Safe Ride Home Program and thanked local businesses for participating and funding the program.

He spoke about the Metra incident and that it was being looked into. Once it is determined what the problem was, an explanation will be provided to residents.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Siwinski made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session at 7:21 p.m. Trustee Richmond seconded.

AYES: (6) Richmond, Budzyn, Metanias, Engler, Hersted, Siwinski

NAYS: (0)

Absent: (0)

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Frank A. Fleischer, Village President

ATTEST:

Melissa Martini, Village Clerk