MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK
HELD ON November 5, 2018 8:00 P.M.

Administrative Staff Present: Mr. Shawn Staples, Police Chief; Mr. Brian Kolosh, Fire Chief; Mr. Frank Knittle, Director Community Development; Mr. Ed Stewart, Director Recreational Services; Mr. George Gunkel, Director Public Works; Mr. Tim Lapp, Village Attorney; Mr. John Hilsen, Village Engineer; Mr. J Wynsma, Village Administrator; Ms. Pat Mahon, Deputy Village Administrator; Ms. Beth Herman, Village Treasurer; Mr. John Watson, Director of Economic

Present: Trustees Larry De Young, Vickie Perkins, Cindy Nylen, John Russell and Andrew Johnson

Absent with Notice: Trustee Prince Reed

Pastor Phil Tarver of United Faith Center Ministries International opened our meeting with prayer. President De Graff thanked Pastor Tarver.

Minutes
Trustee Nylen moved that the reading of the Minutes of the October 15, 2018 meeting be dispensed with, copies thereof having been distributed to each trustee, and the Minutes as presented be approved. Trustee Perkins seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Nylen, Perkins, De Young, Russell and Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Resident Comments
Mr. Marcus Lyles of Volbrecht Estates, expressed concerns regarding kids who were witnessed walking down their street checking cars with the intent to break in. Chief Staples shared that activity such as this has been reported across the south suburbs and the local police departments have been working together to address the problem. Chief Staples assured Mr. Lyles that patrol officers will be on the watch for such activities.

Engineer’s Report
Mr. Hilsen had no report this evening.

Attorney’s Report
Mr. Lapp had two items this evening. The first item was a Resolution to update the MB Financial Signatory for Chief of Police Shawn Staples and Takiya Yarbrough for the Police Department’s Special Events Fund. Trustee Johnson moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Trustee Russell seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Johnson, Russell, De Young, Perkins and Nylen

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

The second item was a Resolution authorizing submittal of a No-Cash Bid to Cook County Board for property at 745 W. 172nd St. Trustee De Young moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Trustee Perkins seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees De Young, Perkins, Nylen, Russell and Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Community Development
Trustee De Young moved for approval of Building Permits Nos. 18-0881, 18-0956, 18-0982, 18-0985, 18-1008 and 18-1010 through 18-1115 as presented, representing a value of approximately $1,000,000 in community investments. Trustee Perkins seconded the motion.

Among these permits, Trustee DeYoung highlighted the following: $16,000 – fire alarm and signage for Glazier Corp (Chipotle); $80,000 – site work with concrete & plumbing for Gurtler Industries; $3,600 – fence for Meekhof Tire; $50,000 – storage building and paving for Gilbralter Chemicals; $43,000 – paving for Calumet Lift Truck; $70,000 – asphalt parking lot for Midwest Freight Express.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees De Young, Perkins, Nylen, Russell and Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff
Parks and Recreation
Trustee Perkins reported that our fall youth basketball league is scheduled to begin on Saturday, Nov. 10, for boys and girls in 3rd thru 6th grades. The league features 10 weeks of fundamentals and training sessions followed by an 8-week basketball game schedule. Pre-registration is required and spaces are limited.

Community Coordination
Trustee Nylen shared that the South Holland Library has a variety of programs and events for all ages. Please review the library’s newsletter and website for details.

The Annual Military Tribute event to honor our local veterans, will be held on November 7, 10:30am, Community Center. Lunch begins at 10:30am; tickets are $12 (free for veterans). The program begins at 11:30am and is free. To register, contact the Community Center at 708 331-2940.

The Annual Chili Supper for the South Holland Lions Club will be held on November 6, 4:30-7pm, Community Center. It is an all-you-can-eat event. The cost is $10 for anyone ages 8 and over.

Our Winter Wonderland will take place on December 7, 6-8 pm, Veterans Memorial Park. Please note that the event is only one night this year. The family-friendly event includes Visits with Santa, Kids Train Rides, Face Painting, Reindeer and Elves, An amazing display of holiday light, Refreshments and more.

We are now accepting nominations for the Mayor’s Leadership Awards. These awards are presented to South Holland residents who reflect our values of Faith, Family and Future. Nomination forms are available at Village Hall and southholland.org. Winners will be announced at the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner in February. Everyone who submits a complete nomination will be entered into a drawing for a basket of goods and gift cards for South Holland shops and restaurants.

Finance
Trustee Russell moved for Approval of payments of vouchers as listed on Registers No. 964 for $1,854,648.30 covering day-to-day operations, vendor payments and salaries. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, Johnson, DeYoung, Perkins and Nylen
Nays: None

Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Public Safety
Trustee Johnson shared that the South Holland Police Department is again conducting its annual Christmas Holiday Event. The event is called “A Time for Sharing and Caring”. The department will be working with the elementary schools in the village to identify families that could use a little extra help this holiday season. Please consider making a donation in the form of cash, check or Wal-Mart gift cards. This money will be used to purchase toys for all of the children in the selected families, along with a large amount of food. The South Holland Police Department thanks you in advance for any help you are willing to provide to these families. To donate, please contact Officer Kirk Kremski or Officer Kim Abogunrin at the South Holland Police Department by December 7, 2018.

Trustee Johnson shared a letter from the South Cook County EMS Medical Director commending the Fire Department for an Outstanding EMS call. On September 19, 2018, the South Holland Fire Department responded to a forty-two-year-old female in cardiopulmonary arrest. As a result of the ability and professionalism of the South Holland Fire Department, the patient was successfully resuscitated and eventually discharged home. The letter was send to Chief Kolosh with a gold seal to honor this event.

Trustee Johnson also shared that he received a phone call from Ike and Betty Williams on 173rd and Volbrecht, commending the fire department for the quick response and professionalism shown when their clothes dryer caught fire.

Public Works
In Trustee Reed’s absence, Trustee Perkins reported that over the past 2 weeks, Public Works crews were busy installing new swing sets at 5 different parks; Pacesetter, Lamplighter, Pioneer, Terrace View, and Wigwam. Ten Spins (merry-go-rounds) were installed at Thorndale and Terrace View Parks along with a new slide at Wigwam Park. Playground mulch was then added to all areas creating a safer environment for both children and adults.

President De Graff encouraged everyone to get out and vote tomorrow.

There being no additional business to come before the President and Board of Trustees, Trustee Johnson moved that this meeting adjourn. Trustee Nylen seconded the motion. Ayes all on the roll. Meeting adjourned. Next regular meeting of the President and the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, November 19, 2018, at 8:00 PM, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, County of Cook, South Holland, Illinois.

Sallie D. Penman, Clerk
Approved by:
President