Administrative Staff Present: Mr. Shawn Staples, Police Chief; Lt. Ron Kalkowski, representing Mr. Brian Kolosh, Fire Chief; 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; Mr. John Watson, Director of Economic Development; Ms. Beth Herman, Village Treasurer

Absent: Mr. Frank Knittle, Director Community Development; Mr. Brian Kolosh, Fire Chief

President De Graff called the meeting to order and Clerk Penman called the roll.

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

Absent with Notice: Trustee Prince Reed

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

Minutes

Trustee Nylen moved that the reading of the Minutes of the June 17, 2019 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

Ms. Olsen, 247 East 171st, asked for clarity regarding who she should give her Proof of Waterproofing Certificate. Her property is scheduled for closing and she needs the proof of waterproofing on file. Ms. Mahon will take her contact information and follow up.

A resident from 168th and Greenwood expressed concern regarding garbage being tossed out of the windows of passing cars. She also expressed concern with drivers who leave their cars blocking her driveway when they go into Greenwood Elementary School. Chief Staples shared that this had been a problem, particularly at the beginning of the school year which is why an SRO was placed at the school. If the problem continues, please let us know. He also encouraged her to share her concerns with the school administration. In regards to the littering, President De Graff addressed the challenge in identifying those in the passing cars. If we could get a license plate, we could follow up. In the meantime, we will continue to do what we can to identify who we are as a community and what we believe in, here in South Holland.

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Resident expressed concerns with the problems at the gas station on the South Holland Dolton border. She asked whether we can shut down the gas station. Acknowledging the problems at this gas station, Chief Staples shared that we have had a good working relationship with the Dolton Police Department and we will continue to work with them. He encouraged her to also share her concerns at a Dolton Village Board meeting.

Judy Clark, 165th and State, stated that she was aware of our Good Neighbors Program, but wondered if we held mandatory meetings with landlords regarding their responsibilities for rental properties. Ms. Mahon
explained that we have a registration process and regular inspections. President De Graff voiced concerns with how we would enforce mandatory meetings. Ms. Clark shared that she had rental property in another municipality and if a landlord does not attend the mandatory meeting, they are faced with a heavy fine. President De Graff thanked everyone for their input and shared that this was the purpose of the moratorium on rental properties. We need this time to collect as much information as possible and determine what will work best for South Holland. We are all on the same page.

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 Authorizing the Village to enter into a Municipal Legal Services Agreement with Break Point Law, LLC. Trustee Russell moved to adopt the Resolution as presented. Trustee DeYoung seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, De Young, Perkins, Nylen and Johnson
Nays: None
Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

The second item was a Resolution Providing for Security for Village Deposits with Fifth Third Bank. Trustee Russell moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Russell, Johnson, De Young, Perkins and Nylen
Nays: None
Motion carried, approved and so ordered by President Don A. De Graff

Community Development

Among these permits, Trustee De Young highlighted the following: $70,000 – asphalt lot for Midwest Freight; $66,000 – parking lot & dock for Gurtler Industries; $71,000 – roof for Happy Days; $130,000 – roof for Pebblewood Plaza; and $10,000 – $13,000 – solar panels for 3 homes.

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 had no report this evening.

Community Coordination
Trustee Nylen shared details on upcoming events. The Independence Day Celebration, Thursday, July 4th at Veterans Memorial Park. This is the 85th year of our annual Independence Day Celebration. All day long we will have activities in the park, such as rides and games for kids, live music from local bands and the South Holland Municipal Band, rib fest contest and more. Stay for the fireworks show at 9:00 p.m. A full schedule of the 4th of July festivities can be found at southholland.org.

Garden Walk, July 13, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., at Veterans Memorial Park. This is the 21st annual Garden Walk put on by the South Holland Garden Club. Visit the beautiful gardens throughout South Holland and surrounding communities. Tickets are just $5 and are available at the Customer Service Center at Village Hall.

Town Center Social & Cruise Night, July 27 and August 24, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Town Center Commons. Our Town Center social is back this summer. Enjoy live music, food, games, and face painting. This year we are adding a Cruise Night. Car enthusiasts are welcome to bring a unique car or simply enjoy looking at others. There will be numerous cars from antiques to newer models.

Our next Movies in the Park will take place on July 27 with Incredibles 2. Bring a blanket or chair and watch a family-friendly movie in Veterans Memorial Park. Concessions are available and movie start at dusk.
Please visit the South Holland Public Library website to review the fun summer events being held at the library.

**Finance**
Trustee Russell had no report this evening.

**Public Safety**
Trustee Johnson had no report this evening.

**Public Works**
No report was given in Trustee Reed’s absence.

President De Graff took a moment to acknowledge the passing of Pastor Mel De Vries. Pastor Mel was a pastor in the Reform Church of America and a cherished member of our community. He was loved by many and he will be missed.

President De Graff asked if there were any additional business.

There being no additional business to come before the President and Board of Trustees, Trustee De Young 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, July 15, 2019, at 8:00 PM, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, County of Cook, South Holland, Illinois.

Approved by:

President