



*VILLAGE OF*  
**SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**



**MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023**

Regular meeting was held on Monday, April 3, 2023, at the Village Hall, 3317 Chicago Road, South Chicago Heights, Illinois. Mayor Matthews called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance followed. Mayor Matthews requested Clerk Linan to call roll. The following were present:

Terry Matthews	Mayor	John Dolasinski	Treasurer
Catherine Linan	Village Clerk	Nick Goncher	Bldg. Director
John Ross	Trustee	William Joyce	Police Chief
Terry Fiorenzo	Trustee	Mark Martin	DPW Director
Rose Ann Diederich	Trustee	William Bianco	Acting Police DC
Sally Marrufo	Trustee	Chad Vlietstra	Fire Chief

Attorney Matt Welch, Trustee Eric Stanton, Trustee Tracy Bosco, Deputy Chief Byrnes, and Administrator Nora Gomez were absent.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** Mayor Matthews presented the minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting for March 20, 2023. Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the Regular Board of Trustees meeting minutes of March 20, 2023, seconded by Trustee Fiorenzo. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Eric Stanton and Tracy Bosco.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** Mayor Matthews presented the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting for March 20, 2023. Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of March 20, 2023, seconded by Trustee Diederich. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Eric Stanton and Tracy Bosco.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**PRESENTATION FROM SAM SHAYOTA:** Mr. Sam Dababneh owner of the Sprint Store explained that Sprint was bought by T-Mobil and that T-Mobil was closing over 60 stores in Illinois. Mr. Dababneh explained that he has been in South Chicago Heights for 18 Years and that he would like to remain in town. Mr. Dababneh stated that he would like to open a smoke shop but that there was that type of store going in next to Cricket. He stated that he would like to open a gaming café at his location 3200 Chicago Road. Mayor Matthews asked the board for their input. Discussion ensued amongst the board regarding the number of gaming café licenses and they all agreed that they didn't want to see another gaming café in town. Trustee Marrufo held her comment until they appear

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before the Zoning and Planning Board. Mayor Matthews explained to Mr. Dababneh that he would like to endure the expense to apply for license even with the board input, he is more than welcome to apply.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**APPROVAL OF THE MANUAL CHECK LIST OF MARCH 31, 2023:** Mayor Matthews presented the manual check list of March 31, 2023. Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the manual check list of March 31, 2023, seconded by Trustee Ross. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Eric Stanton and Tracy Bosco.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST OF APRIL 3, 2023:** Mayor Matthews presented the bill list of April 3, 2023. Trustee Marrufo motioned to approve the bill list of April 3, 2023, seconded by Trustee Diederich. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Eric Stanton and Tracy Bosco.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

### **TRUSTEE/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Trustee Marrufo reminded everyone that Operation Pride will be held on April 18<sup>th</sup> and April 25<sup>th</sup> where residents can put out additional garbage except for excessive construction material and auto parts over 50 lbs. or auto tires on the regular scheduled garbage pick-up.

Clerk Linan announced that the Community Nutrition Network has partnered with Blue Cross & Blue Shield and the Cook County Sheriff's Office to host a Fresh Produce Pop-Up located at the Senior Center and that the first event was April 6<sup>th</sup>. Clerk Linan stated that they extended an invite to Elected Officials to attend at 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Director Goncher stated that in the first quarter of 2023, his department completed 23 for sale inspection and issued 53 permits.

Fire Chief Vlietstra stated that in the month of March his department responded to 127 Calls for service, 45 were fire related and 82 were EMS calls.

Police Chief Joyce announced that Hyundai and Kia have distributed anti-theft devices for their vehicles. Chief Joyce stated that he has secured a shipment from Hyundai for 100 and that Kia's shipment went out today. Police Chief stated that the resident must live in South Chicago Heights and the vehicle register to the South Chicago Heights address.

Director Martin stated that in the month of March our water intake average from Chicago Heights was 383,000 gallons.

Acting Deputy Chief Bianco announced that in the month of March the police responded to 528 calls for police service and that the year-to-date calls for police service are 1,636.

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Acting Deputy Chief Bianco stated that at the closed of the lateral application process, the department received 3 applications; one applicant was disqualified, one was interviewed and one more interview to complete.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RESOLUTION 2023-R-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF THE PROPOSALS FROM RAMBO LAWN CARE INC. FOR LANDSCAPING SERVICES FOR VARIOUS PROPERTIES THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE:**

Mayor Matthews presented the resolution. Trustee Ross motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Trustee Fiorenzo. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Eric Stanton and Tracy Bosco.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**RESOLUTION 2023-R-18: A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A PROPOSAL FROM DESIDERIO LANDSCAPING LLC FOR LANDSCAPING SERVICES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE VILLAGE:**

Mayor Matthews presented the resolution. Trustee Fiorenzo motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Trustee Ross. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Terry Fiorenzo, Sally Marrufo, John Ross & Rose Ann Diederich.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Eric Stanton and Tracy Bosco.

Motion carried 4 to 0.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With nothing further to discuss, Trustee Fiorenzo motioned to adjourn the Regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Diederich. On a voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

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Catherine Linan, Village Clerk

4/19/23  
Dated