

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'  
REGULAR MEETING  
HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners of the Village of Palos Park, Cook County, Illinois held its regular meeting on Monday, February 13, 2023. Mayor Mahoney called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Answering roll call were Commissioners, Wade, Milovich-Walters, Polk and Mayor Mahoney. Commissioner Reed was absent this evening.

Also in attendance were Marie Arrigoni, Village Clerk; Rick Boehm, Village Manager; Howard Jablecki, Village Attorney; Mark Herman, Community Development Director; Stephen DeFalco, Recreation Director; Kathie May; Community Development Coordinator, and Lisa Boyle, Deputy Village Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 23, 2023:** Commissioner Wade moved, seconded by Commissioner Milovich-Walters, to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 23, 2023, as presented.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

AYES: -4- Commissioners Wade, Milovich-Walters, Polk and Mayor Mahoney

NAYS: -0-

ABSENT: -1- Commissioner Reed

**RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:**

**RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION APPOINTMENT-DAWN PORTUGUES:** Mayor Mahoney introduced Commissioner Milovich-Walters to present the appointment of Dawn Portugues to the Recreation Advisory Commission to fill a vacancy with a term to expire June 1, 2025. Ms. Portugues is a longtime Palos resident and is a registered nurse. She has been involved in the community through district 118 and is excited to get involved in the Recreation Board.

Commissioner Milovich-Walters moved, seconded by Commissioner Wade to approve the appointment of Dawn Portugues to the Recreation Advisory Commission to fill a vacancy with a term to expire June 1, 2025.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

AYES: -4- Commissioners Milovich-Walters, Wade, Polk and Mayor Mahoney

NAYS: -0-

ABSENT: -1- Commissioner Reed

**HEARINGS:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

All items on the consent agenda are routine or have been brought forward at the direction of the Board of Commissioners and will be enacted with one motion. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

Commissioner Wade moved, seconded by Commissioner Milovich-Walters to:

- A. To approve Ordinance 2023-04 – An Ordinance Amending Part Eight, Title Two, Chapter 808, section 808.23(a) Of The Palos Park Village Code In Regard To The Authorized Number of Class A

Liquor Licenses (Carko Holding Company d/b/a/ Tavern On LaGrange, 12900 South LaGrange Road, Palos Park, Illinois). The Ordinance states that effective February 13, 2023 The Village Code is amended to decrease the Class A liquor licenses by one (1) due to the business failing to open.

- B. To approve the Warrant List for February 13, 2023 to include the \$585.90 payment to PATSE Bus Service for 62 rides provided to Palos Park residents.
- C. To approve the Palos Park First Raffle License and Raffle Manager Bond Waiver for a raffle to be held on February 20, 2023 at Palos Park Recreation Center to benefit the Palos Park Police Foundation.
- D. To approve payment of invoices on the Warrant List dated February 13, 2023 in the amount of \$180,856.87
- E. To approve the Supplemental Warrant List dated February 13, 2023 for manual checks, payroll, and recurring wire transfers in the amount of \$1,214,691.37

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

AYES: -4- Commissioners Wade, Milovich-Walters, Polk, and Mayor Mahoney

NAYS: -0-

ABSENT: -1- Commissioner Reed

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**BOARD, COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

CONTINUATION OF PLAN COMMISSION ITEM, PC 2022-02: Commissioner Wade presented the item to continue the Plan Commission item, PC 2022-02 (Wu's House parking lot expansion request) to the Village Council meeting of February 27, 2023. Revised materials were received from Wu's. The Council will use this additional time to review the new plans. The documents are available on the Village website for anyone to review.

Commissioner Wade moved, seconded by Commissioner Polk to continue the item PC2022-02 (Wu's House parking lot expansion request) to the Village Council meeting of February 27, 2023.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

AYES: -4- Commissioners Wade, Polk, Milovich-Walters and Mayor Mahoney

NAYS: -0-

ABSENT: -1- Commissioner Reed

**INFORMATION & UPDATES:**

**COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND STREETS/RECREATION & PARKS, NICOLE MILOVICH-WALTERS:**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Commissioner Milovich-Walters reported that the Village of Palos Park has completed its 2023 update of the Palos Park Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) in conjunction with Cook County Department of Emergency Management and Regional Security (EMRS). The goals are to increase community awareness, reduce vulnerability of people, property and environment to natural hazards, and reduce the impact of natural hazards on our community.

Commissioner Milovich-Walters announced that donations are being accepted for the earthquake victims of Syria and Turkey at the Village Hall and Recreation buildings.

Commissioner Milovich-Walters thanked residents and staff for a successful Chili in The Park cook-off event that took place Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. Cooks came from four different states to compete, and tastings were available to the public.

Commissioner Milovich-Walters updated residents on upcoming events at the Recreation Center along with announcing that the new Spring Recreation Guide is now available on our website.

Commissioner Milovich-Walters presented a new playground design for the Village of Palos Park. Some of the features include a rock wall, balance beam, playhouse, musical instruments, swings and more. The play space will be handicapped accessible. Completion date will be prior to the Autumn in The Park Festival in September. The tennis court and basketball half court will be rebuilt for tennis and pickleball. The next phase will include an adult fitness area using your own body weight.

**COMMISSIONER OF BUILDING & PUBLIC PROPERTY, MIKE WADE:**

**PERMITS:** Commissioner Wade reminded residents that per the Village Code, all work being done within the Village of Palos Park requires a permit. A permit is good for one year. A property owner is allowed to pull a permit and act as a general contractor for work performed on their home provided that all work is compliant with Village Codes, ordinances and regulations.

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Commissioner Wade reported that the Building Department processed seven (7) permits from January 17, 2023 to February 7, 2023 resulting in \$17,833.75 in permit fees. Sixteen (16) inspections were completed during this time period. Commissioner Wade also gave an update on the Request For Qualification (RFQ) pertaining to the Palos Park Development Code update project. We are getting through all of the interviews and the matter should be brought to the Village Council in the near future.

**ZONING MAP:** Commissioner Wade presented Ordinance 2023-05 An Ordinance Approving and Accepting the Publication of a Revised Official Zoning Map for the Village of Palos Park, Illinois.

Commissioner Wade moved, seconded by Commissioner Polk to approve Ordinance 2023-05 an Ordinance Approving and Accepting the Publication of a Revised Official Zoning Map for the Village of Palos Park, Illinois

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

AYES: -4- Commissioners Wade, Polk, Milovich-Walters and Mayor Mahoney

NAYS: -0-

ABSENT: -1- Commissioner Reed

**PUD EXTENSION:** Commissioner Wade presented Ordinance 2023-06 An Ordinance Providing for the Further Extension of the Time Period for Compliance With Section 1274.05(G)(4) of the Palos Park Village Code by an Additional Twelve (12) Months, With Respect to the Commercial Planned Development Approved Pursuant to Ordinance No. 2017-33, Adopted December 11, 2017, Entitled "An Ordinance Approving a Commercial Planned Development in the B-2 General Retail and Wholesale Business District, Granting Commercial Development Construction and Landscaping Criteria Approval and Granting Certain Landscaping Variations in Relation Thereto (9520 West 131st Street)" A timely request was received and the owner has requested an additional twelve month extension and has shown good cause for the approval of the Fifth Extension Request.

Commissioner Wade moved, seconded by Commissioner Polk to approve Ordinance 2023-06 An Ordinance Providing for the Further Extension of the Time Period for Compliance With Section 1274.05(G)(4) of the Palos Park Village Code by an Additional Twelve (12) Months, With Respect to the Commercial Planned Development Approved Pursuant to Ordinance No. 2017-33, Adopted December 11, 2017, Entitled “An Ordinance Approving a Commercial Planned Development in the B-2 General Retail and Wholesale Business District, Granting Commercial Development Construction and Landscaping Criteria Approval and Granting Certain Landscaping Variations in Relation Thereto (9520 West 131st Street)”

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ABSENT: -1- Commissioner Reed

**COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY, DANIEL POLK:**

**POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT:** Commissioner Polk reported the Police Department received 1949 calls for service/CAD Events from January 30, 2023, through February 12, 2023. Palos Park Police also issued 75 traffic stops, 34 moving violations, 8 adjudication tickets, 36 speeding tickets, 13 case reports, 10 accident reports, 0 adult arrests, 0 juvenile, 0 impounds, and 11 citizen assists.

**SIREN MAINTENANCE:** Commissioner Polk informed residents that maintenance inspections and testing will begin in March throughout Palos Park. There will be audible testing after each siren is tested. The techs will “blurb” the siren quickly.

**COMMISSIONER OF ACCOUNTS AND FINANCES, G. DARRYL REED:** Commissioner Reed had no formal report as he was absent this evening.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:** Mayor Mahoney had no formal report this evening.

**CLERK’S REPORT:**

**MOBILE DRIVER SERVICES FACILITY:** Clerk Arrigoni informed residents that the Village will host a Mobile Driver Services Facility on March 30<sup>th</sup> in the Village Hall from 10am to 2pm.

**MANAGER’S REPORT:**

**BIG TENT EVENTS CONTRACT:** Manager Boehm presented an agreement for tents, flooring, lights and staging for the Autumn In The Park Festival in September for the amount of \$18,750. Big Tent Events was our vendor last year as the previous vendor, Ultimate Rental Services, no longer stocked large tents.

Commissioner Polk moved, seconded by Commissioner Wade, to approve the contract with Big Tent Events of Carol Stream, IL in the amount of \$18,750 to provide tents, flooring, lights, and staging at the 2023 Autumn In The Park Festival

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ABSENT: -1- Commissioner Reed

**CITIZENS AND VISITORS COMMENT PERIOD:** Resident Ronette McCarthy addressed the Council to inquire about the new Playground area in the Village. Resident, Ronette McCarthy also voiced

her concern and asked questions regarding the continued item of the Wu's parking lot expansion. Mayor Mahoney stated that the item will be discussed at the next Council meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup>.

Pat O'Malley spoke and congratulated Mayor Mahoney on his 20 years of service and that Mayor Mahoney served the Village well.

**ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:** There being no further business, Commissioner Milovich-Walters moved, seconded by Commissioner Wade, to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

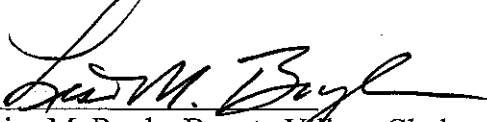
On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

AYES: -4- Commissioners Polk, Wade, Milovich-Walters, and Mayor Mahoney

NAYS: -0-

ABSENT: -1- Commissioner Reed

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa M. Boyle, Deputy Village Clerk