

**MINUTES of a regular meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Skokie, Cook County, Illinois held in the Council Chambers at 5127 Oakton Street at 8 p.m. on Monday, January 6, 2014**

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Village Clerk Pramod Shah.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the Roll. Those present were Trustees Roberts, Sutker, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen. Trustee Ulrich was not present.

Mayor Van Dusen on behalf of the Board commended and thanked the residents, Public Works, Human Services, and the Police Department on the recent snow in the Village of Skokie.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

**Moved: Trustee Sutker**

**Seconded: Trustee Bromberg**

**Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent: Ulrich.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

\*Approve, as submitted, minutes of regular meeting held Monday, December 16, 2013.

**Omnibus vote.**

\*Approve Voucher List #16-FY14 of January 6, 2014.

**Omnibus vote.**

\*Proclamations and Resolutions.

A. Proclamation:

Martin Luther King Day – January 20, 2014

**Omnibus vote**

Report of the Village Manager.

A. 2014-15 Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing #2.

CDBG Administrator Carrie Haberstich presented the Public Hearing #2

The Village's entitlement grant for 2014-15 is not known yet. We are estimating \$450,000 at this point based on reports that CDBG funding is expected to decrease once again. In addition to the new entitlement, we will reprogram approximately \$25,429 in unallocated funds from FY13/FY14 and \$7,325 in program income from FY14, while accommodating a reserve of unobligated funds that could be used for emergency expenses, resulting in an estimated 2014-15 budget of \$462,754. Proposals from both Village staff and outside agencies total \$596,191, so reductions will be necessary. The program cap of 20% for administrative funding is applied against the new entitlement only, while the 15% for public service funding (non-capital/non-construction expenditures) is applied against the new entitlement plus the program income from the current program year.

Staff recommendations will be presented at the final public hearing on Monday, February 3rd.

The Board will determine at that time the funding award for each project or activity.

Trustee Sutker read a prepared statement:

“I am a social worker for a social service agency that is an applicant for a CDBG grant. I do not believe this creates a conflict, however, I believe it is important to avoid the appearance of partiality. Therefore, I will recuse myself from participating in the discussions relating to the applications and from voting on the grants. My recusal from participating in the discussion should not be construed as indifference to the valuable services that the applicants provide to people in need. I commend and admire all of the agencies for their efforts.”

Overview of CDBG Proposals for FY15  
 Village of Skokie Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

	FY15 Request (\$)
<b>STAFF PROPOSALS</b>	
<b>Program Administration</b>	<b>90,000</b>
<b>Home Improvement Program</b>	<b>85,000</b>
<b>Street and Alley Resurfacing</b>	<b>195,000</b>
<b>Sidewalk Replacement Program</b>	<b>3,000</b>
<b>Social Worker</b>	<b>33,392</b>

**TOTAL VILLAGE PROPOSALS**  
 OVERVIEW OF CDBG PROPOSALS FOR FY15  
 VILLAGE OF SKOKIE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT  
 (CDBG)

Construction/Rehab Projects		
<b>Connections for the Homeless</b>	Connections for the Homeless is seeking funding to make capital improvements to its 4840 Hull Street and 8544 McCormick Boulevard properties, both part of the organization's Family Housing Program.	3,750
<b>Public Facilities</b>		
<b>CJE SeniorLife</b>	CJE SeniorLife is seeking funding to purchase a dishwasher to clean dishes, utensils, glassware, and other items associated with resident meal preparation at the Lieberman Center for Health and Rehabilitation at 9700 Gross Point Road.	27,363
<b>Turning Point</b>	Turning Point is seeking funding to install handicapped accessibility features in 2 client restrooms at its health care center at 8324 Skokie Boulevard.	5,362
<b>SHORE - Regenstein</b>	SHORE is seeking funding to repair and remodel its storeroom in the Regenstein Administration Center at 4232 Dempster Street.	4,815
<b>SHORE - Group Home</b>	SHORE is seeking funding to upgrade a bathroom of a Community Integrated Living Arrangement (CILA) facility at 8900 Central Park Avenue.	8,025
<b>Search</b>	Search is seeking funding to replace the roofing materials, soffits, fascia, gutters, and downspouts of a group home for men with intellectual disabilities located at 9119 Samoset Trail.	18,750
<b>Orchard Village</b>	Orchard Village is seeking funding to remodel the kitchen and 2 bathrooms, replace the sidewalk from the front to the back of the house, and repair the concrete front steps and porch of a group home for men with disabilities at 7908 Babb Avenue.	23,734
<b>New Foundation Center</b>	New Foundation Center is seeking funding to replace an existing 2-story enclosed stairway with code-compliant treads/risers/construction materials and an enclosure system, including windows, doors, and siding at 4840 Wright Terrace.	18,750

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**Public Services**

<b>Metropolitan Family Services</b>	Metropolitan Family Services (MFS) is seeking funding to cover a portion of a counselor and intake worker/program supervisor who provides information and referral services, including grief, trauma, family/couple and/or parent/child relationships, child and adolescent school performance and behavior problems, work performance, substance abuse, individual and family development, and family violence.	6,000
<b>JCFS</b>	Jewish Child and Family Services (JCFS) is seeking funding to support a Financial Assistance Case Manager position. The overall goal of the financial assistance program is to empower low-income Skokie residents to create more stable environments.	10,000
<b>Center for Enriched Living</b>	The Center for Enriched Living (CEL) is seeking funding to provide scholarships to enable low-income Skokie residents with developmental disabilities to enroll in programs & to be fully included in the community, achieve personal success, and enjoy a good quality of life.	3,500
<b>Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation (MNASR)</b>	M-NASR is seeking funding to provide financial aid to enable extremely low- to low-income children and adult Skokie residents with developmental disabilities the opportunity to participate in therapeutic recreation activities and providing their caregivers much needed respite.	3,000
<b>Access to Care</b>	The Access to Care Program, sponsored by the Suburban Primary Health Care Council located in Westchester, Illinois, is seeking funding to provide primary medical services to low-income residents of suburban Cook County and northwest Chicago. This program serves low-income, suburban Cook County residents who are uninsured but not eligible for Medicare or Medicaid.	6,000
<b>PEER Services</b>	PEER Services is seeking funding to offset the costs associated with employing a half-time treatment engagement and retention specialist to provide outreach, clinical assessments, drug education, early intervention, treatment, and recovery services to Skokie teens, families, and single adults who are experiencing problems related to substance abuse.	12,000
<b>Children's Advocacy Center</b>	The Children's Advocacy Center is seeking funding to support child victims of abuse, and their non-offending family members, through expert child interviews, medical evaluations and crisis intervention services during the investigation of the alleged abuse.	2,750
<b>The Harbour</b>	The Harbour, Inc. is seeking funding to serve the needs of homeless youth (including locked-out, runaway, and abandoned) ages 12-21 in the north and northwest Chicago suburbs. Agency programs include a Safe Harbour Emergency Shelter, Transitional Living Program (TLP), Independent Living Program (ILP), and Successful Teens/Effective Parents (STEPs).	8,000
<b>North Shore Senior Center (NSSC)</b>	The NSSC is seeking funding to offset the staffing costs associated with providing long-term case management and counseling services to Skokie's homebound, low-income elderly and their families.	10,000
<b>Youth Organizations Umbrella (YOU)</b>	Youth Organizations Umbrella is seeking funding to offset the staffing costs for a youth development specialist for after school and summer learning programs at Lincoln Junior High School.	8,000
<b>Northside Community Development Corporation (CDC)</b>	Northside CDC is seeking funding to offset staffing and operating costs associated with providing homeownership education programs and foreclosure prevention counseling programs to Village of Skokie residents.	10,000

**FY15**  
Total  
Request  
596,191

12780

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Representatives from each of the organizations explained their request and answered questions from the Board and thanked the Village for the past support. Mayor Van Dusen thanked the applicants for coming to explain their requests. The final public hearing will be on Monday February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Report of the Corporation Counsel.

**CONSENT:**

\*A. Ordinance 14-1-C-4025

Motion to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 10 of the Skokie Village Code pertaining to the retail sale and regulation of alcoholic liquor in the Village of Skokie. This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

**Omnibus vote.**

\*B. Ordinance 14-1-F-4026

Motion to adopt an ordinance establishing the compensation of the Village Manager for the Village of Skokie. This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

**Omnibus vote.**

\*C Ordinance 14-1-Z-4027

Motion to adopt an ordinance amending the zoning map with regard to the property located at 8138 and 8146 Floral Avenue, Skokie, Illinois from a B3 Business district to an R3 Combined Housing district (2013-29P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

**Omnibus vote.**

\*D. Ordinance 14-1-Z-4028

Motion to adopt an ordinance approving and accepting a plat of subdivision for the property located at 8138 and 8146 Floral Avenue, Skokie, Illinois in an R3 Combined Housing district, and granting relief from Sections 94-6(a)(2), 94-6(a)(5)a. and 118-113(2)a. of the Skokie Village Code (2013-30P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

**Omnibus vote.**

\*E. Ordinance 14-1-Z-4029

Motion to adopt an ordinance granting site plan approval for the construction and establishment of a planned development at 8126-8160 Floral Avenue, 8063-8115 Floral Avenue and 5135-5145 Cleveland Street, Skokie, Illinois in both R3 Combined Housing and CX Core Mixed-use districts, with a special use permit for an exception to use and relief from certain sections of Chapter 118 of the Skokie Village Code (2013-32P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

**Omnibus vote.**

FIRST READING:

F. Resolution 14-1-R-1243

Motion to adopt a resolution approving and authorizing an agreement with Commonwealth Edison Company for use of its property for a segment of the Skokie Valley Recreational Path from Oakton Street to Jarvis Avenue. This item is on the agenda for first reading and adoption.

**Moved: Trustee Bromberg**

**Seconded: Trustee Gray-Keeler**

**Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent: Ulrich.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

G. An ordinance authorizing the sale of 8350 Laramie Avenue and 5231 Lincoln Avenue, Skokie, Illinois. This item is on the agenda for first reading and will be on the January 21, 2014 agenda for second reading and adoption.

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SECOND READING:

H. Ordinance 14-1-C-4030

Motion to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 22 by adding Article IX pertaining to residential rental unit standards and neighborhood integrity and Chapter 42, Section 42-43 of the Skokie Village Code pertaining to Crime Free Lease provisions and Chapter 46, Article IV pertaining to fees. This item is on the agenda for second reading and adoption.

These residents spoke in support of the Neighborhood Integrity Ordinance: Seymour Schwartz, Ami Koenig, Marda Dunsky, Larry Williams, Jeff Burman, Jerry Kohn, Mark Penning, Gail Schechter, Brian Novak and Howard Frank.

These residents spoke in opposition to the Neighborhood Integrity Ordinance: Paula Jacobson, Waleed Rehani, Dror Kopernik, Rafael Masok, George Sweet, Floyd Bednarz, Richard Toth, Ephrem Rabin, Marirose Malec and Howard Handler.

**Moved: Trustee Klein**

**Seconded: Trustee Bromberg**

**Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent: Ulrich.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Citizen Comments.

Richard Toth, congratulated John Lockerby on his new position and spoke about the great job of the Public Works Department with snow removal.

Floyd Bednarz spoke about problems with a water main and buffalo box on his property.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn 10:30 p.m.

**Moved: Trustee Roberts**

**Seconded: Trustee Bromberg**

**Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent: Ulrich.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Pramod C. Shah, Village Clerk

Approved:

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George Van Dusen, Mayor

