

**Village of Indian Head Park
201 Acacia Drive
Indian Head Park, IL 60525**

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

“Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2.06 (3) minutes of public meetings shall include, but need not be limited to: a general description of all matters proposed, discussed, or decided, and a record of votes taken.”

Thursday November 8, 2007

7:30 P.M.

★ CALL TO ORDER - MAYOR RICHARD ANDREWS

The regular scheduled meeting of the Village of Indian Head Park Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, November 8, 2007, at the Municipal Facility, 201 Acacia Drive, and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Richard Andrews. Deputy Clerk Kathy Leach called the roll as follows:

★ ROLL CALL: KATHY LEACH, DEPUTY CLERK

PRESENT (AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM):

Mayor Richard Andrews
Trustee Debbie Anselmo
Trustee Anne Bermier
Trustee Carol Coleman
Trustee Norman L. Schnauffer
Trustee Matthew P. Walsh II

ALSO PRESENT:

Frank Alonzo, Administrator
Steve Busa, Treasurer
Edward Santen, Water/Public Works Superintendent

NOT PRESENT:

Trustee Brian T. Bailey
Joseph Consolo, Village Clerk
Richard J. Ramello, Counsel, Storino, Ramello & Durkin

★ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Richard Andrews and the Board of Trustees led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: *“I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God indivisible with liberty and justice for all”*.

Mayor Andrews stated that Sunday, November 11th will be Veteran's Day and it is certainly a day that is fitting to commemorate. He noted that the first Veteran's Day was first proclaimed in November 1919 by President Wilson. That date was called Armistice Day commemorating the end of World War I which happened on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in the year 1918. Mayor Andrews further noted that at the time the first anniversary date was commemorated at the end of World War I and President Wilson said *"in America the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the Country's service and with gratitude for the victory both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice and the council of the nation."* Mayor Andrews pointed out that the day was commemorated for years as Armistice Day until in 1954 when President Eisenhower changed the name of the date from Armistice Day to Veteran's Day and requested that all citizens observe Thursday, November 11, 1954, and every November 11th thereafter, as Veteran's Day. Mayor Andrews stated on Veteran's Day let all of us remember the sacrifices of those who fought so valiantly on the sea, in the air and on foreign shores to preserve our heritage of freedom and let us reconsecrate ourselves to the task of promoting peace.

Mayor Andrews mentioned a proclamation that is before the U.S. Congress designating the week of November 11th through November 17th as National Veteran's Awareness Week. He noted that Veteran's Awareness Week emphasizes the need to develop educational programs for citizens regarding the contributions of Veteran's to the Country. Mayor Andrews stated that there also was an earlier reference regarding veterans stated by President Abraham Lincoln in his second Inaugural Address in 1865 which ended as follows: *"with malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right let us strive on to finish the work we are in to bind up the nation's wounds and to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphans to do all which may achieve and cherish through lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations"*. Mayor Andrews asked everyone to fly the flag on Veteran's Day and to thank veterans for their service to the Country.

★ **QUESTIONS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM INDIAN HEAD PARK RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS**

None

★ **CONSENT AGENDA**

- *Approval of Resolution to Determine the Estimated Amount of the Levy for the Village of Indian Head Park (Resolution #R11-07-1)*
- *Approval of Ordinance Amending Certain Fees and Costs Imposed Under the Village of Indian Head Park Municipal Code (Ordinance #07-19)*
- *Approval of an Ordinance to Authorize a Fence Variation for the Property Located at 6472 Apache Drive, Indian Head Park (Ordinance #07-20)*

Mayor Richard Andrews entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented.

Trustee Walsh moved, seconded by Trustee Coleman, to approve the Consent Agenda items, as presented to the Board for approval. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (5/0/1).

Aye: Anselmo, Bermier, Coleman, Schnauffer, Walsh

Nay: None

Absent: Bailey

Mayor Andrews noted that an Exhibit A attachment was provided as part of Ordinance #07-19 regarding certain fees and costs imposed by the Village. He noted that demolition fees have been amended at this time and the remaining schedule of fees imposed for building, zoning and various other fees will be reviewed by the Board at a later date. Mayor Andrews stated that the last time the Board reviewed various costs was five years ago and he asked the Board to review the list and to provide comments if there is a need to adjust other fees and charges.

- **APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting - October 11, 2007*

After review of Board meeting minutes, Trustee Schnauffer moved, seconded by Trustee Anselmo, to approve the October 11, 2007 regular Board meeting minutes, as presented. Carried by unanimous voice vote (5/0/1).

Trustee Bermier reported that the Village sponsored Halloween Party was a huge success. She thanked Frank Alonzo and the police department, Superintendent Ed Santen and public works staff, John Murray for donating decorations and games, all Administration staff, Matt, Cathy and Hope Walsh, Mayor Andrews, Diane Andrews, Jonathan Andrews, Erica Andrews and her friend Mike Hearn and Trustee Carol Coleman. A special thanks to Mary Crowley who coordinated the event from ordering the candy and prizes, decorating the room and arranging the games. Trustee Walsh suggested that possibly next year the event could be hosted at the Heritage Center, an outside tent could be rented to place in the yard and there might be greater participation and more people might stop by if they see the signs on Wolf Road.

Trustee Bermier stated that the additional signs posted throughout the Village as well as the lighted sign at the Heritage Center helped to announce the event. Trustee Coleman stated that each year the Indian Head Park Woman's Club decorates a tree for Indian Head Park at the Brookfield Zoo festival of trees which will begin this year on November 17th and November 18th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Walsh moved, seconded by Trustee Anselmo, to adjourn the regular Board meeting at 7:45 p.m. Carried by unanimous voice vote (5/0/1).

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Leach, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary