

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, May 4, 2020

President Alice F. Gallagher, Presiding
Call to Order, 7:00 p.m.
James Horvath, Acting Village Clerk

Board Members Present

Nicole Chen*
Alan Fink*
James John*
Trustee Appointee Scott Lewis*
Heidi Rudolph*
James Tyrrell*

Others Present

Ingrid Velkme, Village Manager
Aleks Breidis, Director of Recreation*
Grace Turi, Director of Finance*
Pat Schramm, Director of IT*
Elaine Haeske, Deputy Clerk*
Michael Jurusik, Village Attorney

*Electronic Attendance - Due to the Stay-at-Home Order Through May 31, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting opened at 7:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Gallagher said that in response to Covid-19, Governor Pritzker issued Executive Order 2020-07, which suspends Open Meeting Act provisions requiring in-person attendance of the public body and expands conditions when remote participation is permitted. In accordance with this Executive Order, we are conducting this meeting, and all public meetings of the Village Board for the duration of the Governor's stay-at-home order, via teleconference. A conference ID number has been posted on the Village's website and we invite members of the public to remotely attend the meeting. We are making a concerted effort to conduct these special meetings as similar to our regular board meeting format as possible. In an effort to comply with Gov. Pritzker's stay-at-home order and public health guidance, the Board's normal schedule of two

meetings per month will be consolidated into one meeting (absent extraordinary circumstances requiring an emergency meeting) for the duration of the stay-at-home order.

President Gallagher led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL (Acting Clerk Horvath)

As noted above.

READING OF AGENDA - ADDITIONS – DELETIONS

There were no changes.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments. The Board received no public comments by e-mail or in the drop box at Village Hall.

1) Village President: Appointment of Scott Lewis to fill vacancy in the elected office of Village Trustee.

- a. MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF SCOTT LEWIS AS VILLAGE TRUSTEE TO FILL THE VACANT, UNEXPIRED TERM OF WILLIAM SIFFERMANN UNTIL MAY 2021

MOTION:

Trustee Tyrrell moved, seconded by Rudolph, to approve The Appointment Of Scott Lewis As Village Trustee To Fill The Vacant, Unexpired Term Of William Siffermann Until May 2021

President Gallagher stated that at the last Board meeting on April 27, 2020, Scott Lewis was sworn into the position of Village Trustee, however, proper procedure was not followed so the Board is convening tonight for the sole purpose of confirming that appointment. With no further questions, discussions or concerns, the matter proceeds to a roll call vote.

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Voting aye: Trustees John, Fink, Chen, Tyrrell, Rudolph and President Gallagher.

Voting nay: None.

SWEARING-IN OF NEW TRUSTEE SCOTT LEWIS

Acting Village Clerk Horvath swore in new Village Trustee Scott Lewis.

President Gallagher thanked the Board for their participation in this selection process. President Gallagher also thanked new Village Trustee Scott Lewis for agreeing to serve.

President Gallagher announced that the Village of Western Springs Fire Department is collaborating with the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation which invites communities to celebrate firefighters by lighting their homes in red this evening. President Gallagher asked everyone to change their porch lights to red and share on social media at #shineyourlightforfirefighterstory as a thank you to all the firefighters who are on the front line each day, 24/7, to protect us.

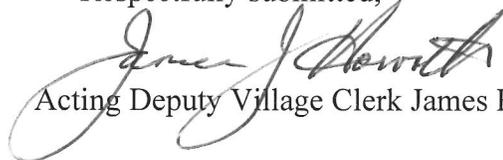
ADJOURN

With no further business to address, President Gallagher asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION:

Trustee Chen moved, seconded by Tyrrell, to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Acting Deputy Village Clerk James Horvath