I. CALL TO ORDER

President Abu-Taleb called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Lueck, Ott and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb

ABSENT: Trustees Barber, Brewer and Tucker

III. CONSIDERATION OF MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS MINUTES, COLLECTIVE BARGAINING, SALE OF PROPERTY, PURCHASE OF PROPERTY, PENDING LITIGATION AND PERSONNEL

It was moved by Trustee Ott and seconded by Trustee Salzman to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) – discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) – collective bargaining, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6) – setting of a price for sale or lease of property, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) – acquisition of property, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) – litigation and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) – personnel, in Room 130.

The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: Trustees Lueck, Ott and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustees Barber, Brewer and Tucker

The motion was approved.

IV. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Trustees Barber, Brewer, Lueck, Ott, and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb

ABSENT: Trustee Tucker

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:48 P.M.

V. AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved by Trustee Salzman and seconded by Trustee Barber to approve the agenda for the meeting. A voice vote was taken and the agenda was approved as presented.

VI. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Non-Agenda Public Comment.
VILLAGE OF OAK PARK

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING DECEMBER 8, 2014

VII. VILLAGE MANAGER REPORTS

Village Manager Cara Pavlicek referred to the calendars for January and February, noting that there are Special Meetings already scheduled. She gave a brief update about valet parking; increased use has been marginal since the last report. Parking Services is preparing a more detailed report that will be sent to the Board for review.

VIII. CITIZEN COMMISSION VACANCIES

President Abu-Taleb referred to the Vacancy Report and urged residents to volunteer.

IX. CITIZEN COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS, REAPPOINTMENTS, REMOVAL, RESIGNATION AND CHAIR APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Trustee Ott and seconded by Trustee Lueck to concur in the following appointments by President Abu-Taleb:

**Board of Health**
Appointment of Florence Miller, as Chair, with a term to expire December 8, 2017

**Citizen Police Oversight Committee**
Appointment of Tanya Ford, as Member, with a term to expire December 8, 2017

**Community Design Commission**
Appointment of Susan Ebner, as Member, with a term to expire December 8, 2017

**Community Relations Commission**
Appointment of Michelle Mbekeani-Wiley, as Member, with a term to expire December 8, 2017

**Farmers Market Commission**
Appointment of Adam Gill, as Member, with a term to expire December 8, 2017

**Transportation Commission**
Reappointment of Craig Chesney, as Member, with a term to expire September 6, 2017

The roll call was as follows:
AYES: Trustees Barber, Brewer, Lueck, Ott and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Trustee Tucker
The motion was approved.

X. PUBLIC HEARING


President Abu-Taleb called to order the Public Hearing on the proposed amended Plan for the Madison Street TIF District. Notice of this Public Hearing was published in the
Wednesday Journal on November 19 and November 26. Notice has been served to all applicable parties as required by law.

Village Manager Pavlicek stated that the established eligible expenditures for the TIF do not include construction of school administrative facilities. What is being presented for consideration is an amendment to the Madison Street Redevelopment Plan that would allow those tax increment financing dollars to be utilized for construction of school related administrative facilities. The amendment does not change the boundaries of the TIF or modify any other areas. The Joint Review Board, which consists of representatives from all Oak Park taxing bodies as well as Cook County and the Triton Community College District, met on November 12. A resolution was approved by the majority of those present in support of this amendment to the Redevelopment Plan.

John Phelan, representing OPRF High School District 200. Mr. Phelan stated that he was distressed when he learned that District 200 cast the lone opposing vote on the amendment. He was personally supportive of the amendment as well as the redevelopment of Madison Street.

Qia Carswell. Ms. Carswell, a parent of children enrolled in District 97 schools, stated that voting in favor of this amendment will support and prioritize buildings for adults over educational services for children.

Sharon Patchak-Layman. Ms. Patchak-Layman discussed the history and purpose of the TIF and urged Board Members to vote against the amendment.

It was moved by Trustee Barber and seconded by Trustee Brewer to adjourn the Public Hearing.

The roll call was as follows:
AYES: Trustees Barber, Brewer, Lueck, Ott and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Trustee Tucker
The motion was approved.

XI. SECOND READING

All Ordinances and Resolutions adopted herein are herewith ordered filed in the Office of the Village Clerk

C. It was moved by Trustee Lueck and seconded by Trustee Ott that a Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 2014-0-94 entitled ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 20-7-2(E) OF THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE RELATING TO GARBAGE AND REFUSE AND RECYCLING MATERIALS be approved.

Village Manager Pavlicek noted that the First Reading was heard by the Board last Monday, December 1. This ordinance will codify yard waste and bulk item stickers as well
as increase monthly fees for the 64 gallon carts by $1.50 and by $2.50 for the 96 gallon carts. The revenue generated will be directed towards debt service for alley improvements. During the First Reading discussion, there was a request regarding sun-setting the fee increases. In the introductory language, it has been noted that it is the intent of the Board that those fees are in effect for the 20-year bond issuance that is anticipated and will be removed at the end of the debt retirement.

Trustee Barber stated that the language is not reflective of what was discussed last week. He had the understanding that the fees would increase for only five years; there was no discussion regarding the 20-year bond period.

Village Manager Pavlicek commented that perhaps the detail from discussions of the Finance Committee wasn’t articulated well at last week’s meeting. She clarified that the expenditure is over a five-year period. The funds will be obtained through issuance of a general obligation bond that will be paid off over a 20-year period. The fee will need to be in place for the 20-year principle and interest payments for the bond.

Trustee Salzman stated that residents are increasingly starting to believe that basic services that should be provided by their local government, such as passable streets and alleys, are not being delivered at the level that their high taxes would suggest. This is an effort to address those concerns. However, residents should be aware that if they want to increase the repair rate significantly, it will come at a cost.

Trustee Barber requested that the language be amended to clarify that the increased rates are expected to sunset at 20 years.

President Abu-Taleb disagreed, noting that sun-setting something in 20 years is too difficult; no one can predict what will happen by that time.

Trustee Lueck agreed with President Abu-Taleb. The likelihood of inflation will have increased the rates between now and 20 years from now and the economy may look very different. She also commented that the community does not want to pay as much as they’re paying for services but want a level of service that’s higher than what they are currently getting. Those two conflicting needs must be balanced and this fee increase is a better method than increasing the tax bill.

The roll call was as follows:
AYES: Trustees Barber, Brewer, Lueck, Ott and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Trustee Tucker
The ordinance was adopted.

XII. REGULAR AGENDA

E. It was moved by Trustee Lueck and seconded by Trustee Brewer that Ordinance 2014-O-95 entitled ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2014 BUDGET be adopted.
Village Manager Pavlicek stated that the yearend amendment to the current year’s budget has been a practice for the last couple of years based upon the annual financial audit. As part of the Management Letter, the auditors ask that at yearend, the Village ensures that they are accurately reporting sources of revenues and expenditures to the extent that estimates made 12 months prior had been modified. They are consistent with all of the budget documents that have been presented for review during October, November and December.

Chief Financial Officer Craig Lesner gave details regarding what adjustments have been made and for what purpose.

The roll call was as follows:
AYES: Trustees Barber, Brewer, Lueck, Ott and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Trustee Tucker
The ordinance was adopted.

It was moved by Trustee Brewer and seconded by Trustee Lueck that Ordinance 2014-O-96 entitled ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN LIEU OF THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 2015 AND ENDING ON THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, 2015 be adopted.

Trustee Salzman thanked Village Manager Pavlicek, Mr. Lesner and his colleagues for all the work that they put in on this budget. This is a unique budget in his tenure on the Board in terms of making substantial investments in long-term infrastructural improvements that have been needed for some time. Instead of increasing taxes, some fee increases are being put in place. He anticipates that these kinds of investments will not be an annual occurrence and are being addressed now to avoid increases on an annual basis.

Trustee Brewer commented that a lot of the Village’s expenditures were looked at in a more critical light, especially as they relate to partner agencies and internal departments. A good foundation was laid for future budget discussions that will allow the Village to move in a direction where they will see real cost savings.

Trustee Lueck thanked staff and the Finance Committee. She noted that the reserve fund balance has not increased. However, she did not see an unproblematic way to accomplish that this year; perhaps next year.

President Abu-Taleb stated that the Board has consciously made a decision to invest in the Village’s aging infrastructure. He also thanked staff and the Finance Committee as well as the full Board for entrusting the Finance Committee to help move decisions forward.

Trustee Barber thanked staff and the Finance Committee. Although property taxes did not increase, he expressed concern regarding fee increases that will be implemented. In the future, he would like to look more aggressively in areas where spending can be limited to freeing up existing dollars rather than establishing higher usage fees. The Village needs to use dollars from lesser priorities to help fund the bigger priorities.
Trustee Ott encouraged residents to access the online list detailing capital improvement projects scheduled for next year. She also thanked Village Manager Pavlicek and Mr. Lesner not only for their work but for being so accessible to answer questions that she had throughout the process.

The roll call was as follows:
AYES: Trustees Barber, Brewer, Lueck, Ott and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Trustee Tucker
The ordinance was adopted.

It was moved by Trustee Lueck and seconded by Trustee Brewer that Ordinance 2014-O-97 entitled VILLAGE OF OAK PARK’S 2014 PROPERTY TAX LEVY ORDINANCE be adopted.

Village Manager Pavlicek stated that the property tax levy is in accordance with the adopted budget. In addition, a number of those taxes to be levied subject to the Board’s affirmative vote will be abated via several ordinances on the Consent Agenda, also in accordance with the adopted budget.

The roll call was as follows:
AYES: Trustees Barber, Brewer, Lueck, Ott and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Trustee Tucker
The ordinance was adopted.

XIII. REGULAR AGENDA FOR ITEMS PURSUANT TO VILLAGE CODE CHAPTER 3
ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR DEALERS OR RELATED

President Abu-Taleb recused himself from the meeting and President Pro Tem Ott presided over consideration of the following item.

H. It was moved by Trustee Lueck and seconded by Trustee Barber to concur in the following appointment by Trustee and Local Liquor Control Commissioner Salzman:

**Liquor Control Review Board**

Ronald Orzel, as Member, with a term to expire December 8, 2017

Trustee Salzman stated that Mr. Orzel is a member of IMPACT and was highly recommended by the Chair of the Liquor Control Review Board. IMPACT is a group of concerned citizens in Oak Park and River Forest who are working to address the issue of teen substance abuse.

The roll call was as follows:
AYES: Trustees Barber, Brewer, Lueck and Salzman; President Pro Tem Ott
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Trustee Tucker
ABSTAIN: President Abu-Taleb
The motion was approved.

President Abu-Taleb rejoined the meeting.
XIV. CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Trustee Barber and seconded by Trustee Brewer to waive the reading of the Consent Agenda. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

It was moved by Trustee Salzman and seconded by Trustee Ott to approve the items under the Consent Agenda:


I3. Ordinance 2014-0-100 entitled ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ABATEMENT OF $1,630,930 OF THE 2014 TAX LEVY 2010B GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BONDS.


I7. Ordinance 2014-0-104 entitled ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR PARTIAL ABATEMENT OF $90,750 OF THE 2014 TAX LEVY GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2006B.


K. Motion to Accept the 2015 Village Board Regular Meeting Calendar.
L. Resolution 2014-R-222 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SIX-MONTH EXTENSION FOR THE EMPLOYEE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR A TEMPORARY ASSISTANT VILLAGE ENGINEER/CIVIL ENGINEER WITH GOVHR.

M. Motion to Receive the Fair Housing Task Force Report and Set a Date for a Future Study Session.

N. Resolution 2014-R-223 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE SUCCESS OF ALL YOUTH (SAY) PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT STATEMENT OF INTENT.

O. Resolution 2014-R-224 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE O’HARE NOISE COMPATIBILITY COMMISSION.

P. Resolution 2014-R-225 entitled RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH FORWARD SPACE, LLC, D/B/A OFFICE CONCEPTS, FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF CARPET, CERTAIN NEW FURNITURE AND RELATED COORDINATION AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR VILLAGE HALL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $325,000.

Q. Resolution 2014-R-226 entitled RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT AND SOFTWARE LICENSE AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITYVIEW, A DIVISION OF N. HARRIS COMPUTER CORPORATION, AND THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK TO PROVIDE A NEW SOFTWARE SOLUTION FOR THE VILLAGE’S PERMITTING, LICENSING AND INSPECTION SERVICES.

R. Ordinance 2014-O-107 entitled ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2015 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015 IN AND FOR VILLAGE OF OAK PARK SPECIAL SERVICE AREA NUMBER ONE.

S. Ordinance 2014-O-108 entitled ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2015 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015 IN AND FOR VILLAGE OF OAK PARK SPECIAL SERVICE AREA NUMBER SEVEN.

T. Resolution 2014-R-227 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF EXCESS PUBLIC ENTITY LIABILITY INSURANCE, EXCESS WORKERS’ COMPENSATION INSURANCE, PROPERTY INSURANCE AND CRIME COVERAGE FOR THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $289,558.

U1. Resolution 2014-R-228 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF A PAWNBROKER BUSINESS LICENSE FOR HOLLYWOOD PAWN.

U2. Resolution 2014-R-229 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF A PAWNBROKER BUSINESS LICENSE FOR OAK PARK PAWN SHOP D/B/A A-1 AMERICAN JEWELRY & PAWN.

U3. Resolution 2014-R-230 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF A PAWNBROKER BUSINESS LICENSE FOR CASH AMERICA, INC. D/B/A CASH OF CHICAGO
V. Ordinance 2014-0-109 entitled ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-9-8F OF THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE TO DESIGNATE 1010 FAIR OAKS AVENUE AS AN OAK PARK HISTORIC LANDMARK.

W1. Resolution 2014-R-231 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK AND VISIT OAK PARK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THE TOTAL SUM OF REVENUES COLLECTED IN THE HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUND UP TO A MAXIMUM OF $155,000.


X. A Resolution 2014-R-236 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER FOR PROJECT 13-1, WATER AND SEWER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $147,957.


Z. Resolution 2014-R-238 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH DAVIS TREE CARE AND LANDSCAPE, INCORPORATED FOR PARKWAY TREE PRUNING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $160,000.00.

AA. Resolution 2014-R-239 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE PRICE AGREEMENT WITH H.J. MOHR AND SONS OF OAK PARK, ILLINOIS, FOR CONCRETE, STONE AND SAND IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $75,000.00 IN FISCAL YEAR 2014.

BB. Motion to Accept the Transportation Commission Recommendation to Upgrade from Two-Way STOP signs to All-Way STOP Signs at the Intersection of Randolph Street and Grove Avenue and Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Ordinance.
CC. Motion to Approve New Members to the working group “Downtown Districts Streetscape Committee” Whose Charge it is to Review and Make Recommendations on Enhancements to Lake Street between Harlem Avenue and Euclid Avenue.

DD. Resolution 2014-R-240 entitled RESOLUTION REQUESTING VILLAGE OF OAK PARK GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM DATA FROM THE COOK COUNTY ASSESSOR’S OFFICE.

EE. Motion to Receive the 2015 Citizen Advisory Boards and Commissions Work Plans.

FF. Resolution 2014-R-241 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK TO ENTER INTO A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION LOCAL 73 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.

GG. Ordinance 2014-O-110 entitled ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING Y7 OVERNIGHT PERMIT PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE 500 BLOCK OF SOUTH RIDGELAND AVENUE.

HH. Approval of Monthly Treasurer’s Report for All Funds.

II. Motion to Approve Bills in the Amount of $7,966,207.11 for the Weeks Beginning October 30th through December 4th.

JJ. Resolution 2014-R-242 entitled RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FIRST ADDENDUM TO THE MUTUAL AID BOX ALARM SYSTEM (MABAS) MASTER AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION.

KK. Resolution 2014-R-243 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SIX-MONTH EXTENSION FOR THE EMPLOYEE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR A TEMPORARY PLAN REVIEWER WITH GOVHR.

The roll call was as follows:
AYES: Trustees Barber, Brewer, Lueck, Ott and Salzman; President Abu-Taleb
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Trustee Tucker
The motion was approved.

CALL TO THE BOARD AND CLERK

Village Clerk Powell stated that candidates for Village Trustee, Park Commissioner or Library Trustee may submit their petitions for the April 7 election between 8:30 A.M. December 15 and 5:00 P.M. December 22. A lottery will be held for first and last positions on the ballot should more than one candidate arrive before 8:30 on the first day and after 4:00 on the last day. School Board candidates must file their petitions at the county. Call the Clerk’s Office with any questions.

Trustee Lueck commented that the supporting language for Item T, regarding changing insurance brokers, should be specific about the process by which that firm was selected.

Trustee Barber asked if the Personnel Committee was meeting next week. Village Manager Pavlicek was waiting for confirmation from Trustee Salzman.
Trustee Brewer thanked the Board for receiving the Fair Housing Task Force’s report on tonight’s Consent Agenda and looked forward to discussing that in January. President Abu-Taleb thanked Trustees Brewer and Ott for their participation on the Fair Housing Task Force.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Trustee Lueck and seconded by Trustee Salzman to adjourn. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:48 P.M. Monday, December 8, 2014.

SUBMITTED AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF:

By: MaryAnn Schoenneman
    Deputy Village Clerk

____________________________
Teresa Powell, Village Clerk