



## MINUTES

President and Board of Trustees  
Village of Arlington Heights  
Committee-of-the-Whole  
Community Room  
Arlington Heights Village Hall  
33 S. Arlington Heights Road  
Arlington Heights, IL 60005  
July 20, 2015  
7:15 PM

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Tom Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:18 PM.

### **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **III. ROLL CALL**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Hayes; Trustees Blackwood (arrived 7:25 PM), Farwell, Glasgow, LaBedz, Sidor

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Trustees Rosenberg, Scaletta, Tinaglia

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Village Manager Randy Recklaus; Assistant Village Manager Diana Mikula

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Kusum Patel, Mr. Dhruv Patel, Ms. Reshma Patel and Ms. Binita Patel representing R-K Group Enterprises, Inc., dba Foremost Liquors; Denise Beihoffer, Dori Bonder, Kathy Grossman, and Monica McCarthy of the Metropolis Board

### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Consideration of recommending to the Liquor Commissioner the issuance of a Class "B" & "T" Liquor License to R-K Group Enterprises, Inc., dba Foremost Liquors, located at 1776 W. Algonquin Road

Mayor Hayes swore in Mr. Dhruv Patel.

Ms. Mikula reported to the Board that at the July 6, 2015 Committee-of-the-Whole meeting, the Village Board deferred action on the liquor license

application of R-K Group Enterprises, Inc., dba Foremost Liquors who are seeking a Class "B" & "T" liquor license. At that meeting, questions were raised of the liquor license applicant regarding the Liquor Application and Additional Liquor Applicant Information Forms. Since the July 6 meeting, she has had a chance to review those questions with applicant Mr. Dhruv Patel and with the Arlington Heights Police Department.

Ms. Mikula stated that the liquor license application disclosed that one of the owners has a liquor license with Amador Liquor in Chicago. Ms. Kusum Patel has ownership interest in Amador and she disclosed this in her Additional Applicant Information form. The AHPD confirmed that Chicago PD reported that they did not have any record of violations at Amador Liquors in Chicago.

On Ms. Reshma Patel's Additional Liquor Applicant Information form, she disclosed she had ownership interest in two Alfredo's Pizza locations. It was discovered that the Lake in the Hills Alfredo's does have a liquor license, which should have been disclosed on page 6 of the Liquor License Application. The AHPD indicated they checked with Lake in the Hills Police Department and no issues were reported with Reshma Patel or Alfredo's Pizza, 4560 W. Algonquin Road, Lake in the Hills.

On July 14, Mr. Dhruv Patel provided the response on page 2 of this packet as to why the Lake in the Hills Alfredo's Pizza was not listed on the Liquor License application. He said it was a mistake not listing Alfredo's on the application. He is familiar with the Hoffman Estates location because he frequents there and because they don't have a liquor license he assumed the Lake in the Hills location did not as well. He has since amended page 6 of the Liquor License Application to reflect this change which is included in the packet.

Mayor Hayes just wanted to confirm for the record that Mr. Patel had no intent to deceive the Board in any way. Mr. Patel stated that was correct.

Trustee Glasgow asked Mr. Patel if he understood why he asked if Mr. Patel wanted to amend his answer at the last meeting. Mr. Patel confirmed he did. Trustee Glasgow further stated that it's important that the Board have all the information of these applications because we can't tell if you intentionally did try to deceive the Board or if you did make an honest mistake. The Board can't make a fair decision if you are in good character to hold a liquor license unless we have all the necessary information.

**TRUSTEE GLASGOW MOVED, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE LABEDZ TO RECOMMEND THAT THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECOMMEND TO THE LIQUOR COMMISSIONER THE ISSUANCE OF A CLASS "B" AND CLASS "T" LIQUOR LICENSE TO R-K GROUP ENTERPRISES, INC. DBA FOREMOST LIQUORS, LOCATED AT 1776 WEST ALGONQUIN ROAD.**

**LIQUOR LICENSE WILL BE ISSUED AFTER CURRENT LIQUOR LICENSE IS SURRENDERED.** The motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Hayes informed Mr. Patel and his partners that the Village of Arlington Heights takes the liquor laws very seriously. The Village requires your compliance of all of those laws and we will make periodic checks to ensure the laws are being followed.

B. Interview of Steve Daday for Appointment as President of the PAM Board of Directors for a three-year term

Mayor Hayes introduced Steve Daday and discussed his qualifications for serving as President of the Performing Arts at Metropolis Board. Steve fulfills a number of qualifications for the job as President and leader of the Metropolis Board including his leadership, his professionalism, his knowledge and expertise of the history of Metropolis, and he was on the Board when it was created. He has been a public servant in the community and has volunteered his time for many years in many different capacities.

Trustee Sidor asked Mr. Daday his thoughts on the direction of Metropolis and where he wants to see it go. Mr. Daday said he was on the Board when Metropolis was developed and it was a much different entity at that point. There was the Youth Symphony which was world-renowned, and was very well accepted in the Arts community. The programming at that time was well thought out and Metropolis was a very popular place to be. He said it seems to have dissipated in some ways over the last several years and he feels it needs to get re-invigorated. Metropolis is an asset to the community and it draws thousands of people into the community. He said some of the reports show 75% of the attendees are non-residents of Arlington Heights and that is a good thing, but he would like to make sure the community is also invested in this asset. He wants to see the residents of the community as subscribers, as donors, as sponsors and he will work very hard to improve that.

Mr. Daday further stated he feels his role is to lead the PAM Board. The PAM Board should provide oversight in all aspects going on at Metropolis such as financially, programmatically, staff, and development. He wants to make sure the recommendations identified in reports by Johnson Consulting are looked at and evaluated. He said Metropolis is experiencing a turnaround and wants it to continue. Trustee Sidor asked Mr. Daday if he feels the responsibility of Metropolis should be on the PAM Board and not on Administration. Mr. Daday agreed.

Trustee Glasgow asked Mr. Daday how the discipline and structure of running his law firm translates with his job as President of Metropolis. Mr. Daday said he intends to establish procedures and processes and setting direction. Trustee Glasgow asked Mr. Daday with that kind of structure and discipline, what kind of format did he see for the PAM Board vis-à-vis the

Administration. Mr. Daday said the Board has to set the ground rules and establish the policies and procedures. The fiscal and financial oversight is at the top and, therefore, the PAM Board, not the Executive Director, has to provide financial reports in a meaningful manner because of the relationship with the Village and the relationship with the Community. Trustee Glasgow said he was appreciative of Mr. Daday again serving the community and said his knowledge of the Village Board along with Metropolis makes him the perfect candidate.

Trustee LaBedz asked Mr. Daday if he had any thoughts about the schools. He said it would be a tremendous asset to partner with the schools to utilize the facilities.

Trustee Blackwood asked Mr. Daday how he would make Metropolis work. Mr. Daday said Metropolis will work because the passion of the current Board members, the new Board members, the current staff, the Village Board, and the 75,000 residents of the community will make it work.

Trustee Blackwood asked Mr. Daday how he would reach the residents. Mr. Daday said he would promote, work to increase the subscriber base, the corporate sponsorship base, the donor base, and make Metropolis their theater.

**TRUSTEE GLASGOW MOVED TO CONCUR IN THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF STEVE DADAY AS PRESIDENT OF THE PAM BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM. TRUSTEE FARWELL SECONDED THE MOTION.**

The motion passed 6-0.

- C. Interview of Colleen Ungurean for Appointment to the PAM Board of Directors for a one-year term

Mayor Hayes introduced Colleen Ungurean and discussed her qualifications for serving on the Metropolis Board. The Mayor said Colleen has been very active in the community. She devotes a lot of time to volunteerism and philanthropy and has a willingness to serve.

Trustee Glasgow asked Ms. Ungurean how her background in education would translate to Metropolis and what she thought the benefits would be to both her and Metropolis by being on the Board. Ms. Ungurean said she is a very enthusiastic team worker and works very hard and well with other team members. She has been on all of the fundraising committees at Metropolis. She wants to promote the children's programs at Metropolis to the community. She wants Metropolis to be a destination that people go to.

Trustee Blackwood asked Ms. Ungurean what two things she would do to make Metropolis a success financially. She said she will be the loudest cheerleader for Metropolis and said she is a problem solver.

Trustee Blackwood asked Ms. Ungurean what has worked in fundraising this year at Metropolis. She said the Soiree is a huge success at Metropolis. The wine tasting is a new event and has promising numbers too.

**TRUSTEE FARWELL MOVED TO CONCUR IN THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF COLLEEN UNGUREAN TO THE PAM BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM. TRUSTEE GLASGOW SECONDED THE MOTION.** The motion passed 6-0.

The Mayor thanked the current members of the Metropolis Board who were present at the meeting for their years of service on the PAM Board.

## **V. OTHER BUSINESS**

## **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

**TRUSTEE LABEDZ MOVED, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SIDOR TO ADJOURN.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Recorded By: Diane Staggs, Admin. Asst. II