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# PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF CICERO

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The Board of Trustees of the Town of Cicero met Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 10:15 A.M., in the Town Hall Council Chambers, Town of Cicero.

On roll call there were present:

President: Dominick  
Clerk: Punzo-Arias  
Trustees: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.  
Absent: Trustee Cundari - Excused

Thereupon, President Dominick declared a quorum present and the meeting duly convened and requested that all present in attendance stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., were approved, the reading being dispensed with, each member having received a copy.

## ***PRESENTATION***

**(68-22)**

The following seniors received a certificate along with an individual flower for being Super Seniors 90 and Beyond for the following month(s):

JANUARY

Andrew Dancy  
Dorothy Trunda

MARCH

Rose Fico

MAY

Lillian Beason  
Jeannette Fladvid

NOVEMBER

Manuel Lopez

Trustee Reitz reported the Town conducted a caravan celebration next week to each of the seniors.

## ***APPROVAL OF BILLS***

**(69-22)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Garcia, the list of bills itemized in Warrant #10, dated May 19, 2022, in the total amount of \$1,883,787.02, the list of manual checks dated May 6 thru May 18, in the total amount of \$848,646.97, and the list of online payments dated May 6 thru May 19, in the total amount of \$0.00, were accepted, placed on file and approved for payment; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(70-22)**

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Vargas, payroll (*Estimated Corporate \$1,623,845.40 & Library \$26,297.31*) was approved for the active employees listed on the printout dated 05-17-22; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(71-22)**

By Trustee Garcia:

RESOLVED, that the life and accidental death & dismemberment insurance premium for the month of June/2022, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$5,944.68, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Vargas, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(72-22)**

By Trustee Virruso:

RESOLVED, that the list of HMO medical claims insurance policy premium for the month of June/2022, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$40,949.78, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Vargas, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(73-22)**

By Trustee Vargas:

RESOLVED, that the list of medical claims and the stop loss insurance policy premium for the month of April/2022, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$1,497,947.82, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Cava, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

## ***BLOCK PARTY PERMITS***

**(74-22)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Garcia, the request submitted covering a block party for the 1200 block of 60th Court on June 18, was denied per the recommendation of the Cicero Police Department. Their determination was based on the petition not meeting the required 75% signature stipulation and of recent reported gang activity on the block; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(75-22)**

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Garcia, permission was granted the residents in the 3700 block of 54th Avenue to conduct a block party on June 4, contingent upon compliance of all town ordinances; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

## ***PERMIT***

**(76-22)**

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Garcia, permission was granted Our Lady of the Mount to apply for a liquor license for alcoholic beverage sales during their Dance / Tardeada fundraising event on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM; approval is contingent upon that all liquor sales end at 11:00 PM; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(77-22)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Garcia, permission was granted Burnham School to close 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 16<sup>th</sup> Street to 18<sup>th</sup> Street for their annual Burnham Field Day event on Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(78-22)**

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Vargas, permission was granted Warren Park School to close 60<sup>th</sup> Court from 13<sup>th</sup> Street to the alley way for your “End of Year Celebration – Warren Park Field Day” event on Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

## ***RESOLUTIONS***

**(“R” 60-22)**

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Virruso, the Resolution appointing certain individuals to specified positions, boards, commissions and/or committees within the Town of Cicero expiring at 11:59 PM on October 31, 2022, was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

ANIMAL WELFARE BOARD

Alice Couch, Liaqueni Guzman, Kelly Graham, Gerri Owczarek, Frances Nowak, Mary Ellen Jelic, Wendy Jimenez

CULTURAL AFFAIRS / HISTORIC SITES COMMISSION

Francesca Cundari, Malika Manouzi, Nicole Pontillo, Yolanda Bean, Rosemary Konz, Cynthia Salvino, Valia Maniadakis, Gina Prendergast, Tonya Elliot, Nicole Seno Chlada

BOARD OF HEALTH

Laura Bertone, Elvira Hunter, Michele Maniglia, Christopher Banks, William Ostler, Gretchen Aviles, Maria Vargas, Vlasta Mangia, Raymond Prancik

HOUSING BOARD

Maureen Carroll, Lido Manetti, Dominick Buscemi, Isabel Aguilar

HOUSING AND REAL ESTATE BOARD (FORMERLY BUILDING & BLIGHT COMMISSION)

George Owczarek, Alan Neal, Dawn Czarkowski, Brian Dominick, Mary Durkee, Michael Wolff, Anna Benedick, Wolf Iklov, Joe Florio, Christina Reitz, Lisa Musial, Tom Eukovich Sr., Robert Porod, Jr., John Walsh, Wayne Wentz

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

Nicole Chlada, Kelly Giovanelli, Maria Punzo-Arias, Whitney Delong, Joe Virruso, Elizabeth Lopez, Mary Hernandez

BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Dominic Cannova, Rolando Hernandez, Rich Malicki, Lenny Rutka, Jose Luis Arias, Dominick Buscemi (President)

POLICE PENSION BOARD

Nino Scimone, Jerry Chlada

FIRE PENSION BOARD

Mike Piekarski, Greg Fithian

SENIOR COMMISSION (SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD)

Diana Dominick, Larry Dominick, Ryan Chlada, Dennis Raleigh, Fran Reitz, Bob Porod

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Tony Castellano, John Deganutti, Lilly Ayala, Michelle Mastalerz, Gerardo Solis, Sue Banks, Jeanine Thomas, Lesia Yarbrough

YOUTH COMMISSION (YOUTH SERVICES BOARD)

Maria Moreno, Patricia Salerno, Isabel Aguilar, Lisa Gianakopoulos, To Be Determined (vacancy)

ZONING BOARD (ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS)

Jose Alvarez, Lenny Cannata Jr., Jessica Jaramillo (Chair), Jose Orozco, Ruth Ortega, Tom Tomschin, To Be Determined (vacancy)

911 BOARD (EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD)

To Be Determined (vacancy), Eric Pagni, Dennis Raleigh, Dominick Buscemi, Nick Jelic, Rosemarie Esposito (Secretary), Dominic Schullo, Michael Tillman (Chairman)

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE OF LITERACY

Mary Gallegos (Program Liaison), To Be Determined (Chairman/Lead Coordinator - vacancy), Elaine Pesek, Eric Porod, Veronica Moreno, To Be Determined (vacancy)

SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Joseph Virruso, John Kociolko, Antonia Sawyer, Josephine Kraut, Frank Kraut, Jack Petracek, Javier Bonafante, Ismael Chaparro, Socorro Gonzalez, Richard Bielawa, Mary Ann Bielawa, Mary Petracek, Antonia Briseno, Celio Rangel, Joan Devereux

SAFETY COMMITTEE

2 Trustees, Safety Director, Superintendent of Police, Fire Chief

ROOSEVELT ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Barbara Harris – Town Resident, Lucy Schmidt – Business Owner, Louis Guido – Staff Member, Merrie Neal – Staff Member, Craig Pesek – Committee Liaison, Dominic Gatto – Business Owner

GRAFFITI TASK FORCE

Larry Dominick – *Ex officio* member, Ismael Vargas - *Ex officio* member (service without compensation), Derek Dominick – Public Works representative, Tom Tomschin - Community Development Block Grant Program representative, To Be Determined (vacancy) – Police Department representative, Sonia Centeno – Community member, Pam Pila - Community member, Don Mangia – Community member, Lori Pila – Community member, Doris Tenbrock - Community member, Gene Talsma – Community member

VACANT BUILDING APPEALS COMMITTEE

Donna Pawleski, Rich Sova, Julio Aguirre

IDENTITY THEFT COMMITTEE

Amy Bancroft, Randy Felbinger, Danielle Santos

LOCAL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE

Paulie DiMenna, Jim Baker, Ben Borbor, John Papagolos, James Terracino, Sr., Jeff Davis, Dan Seropian, Jeff Pesek (Liaison) Charlie Hernandez (Honorary member)

DISABILITY ADVISORY BOARD

Fran Reitz, Rocio Perez, Laura Gonzales, Terry Peterson, Jose Campos, Director of the Office for People with Disabilities, *Ex officio* member

ACCIDENT REVIEW BOARD

Luis Gutierrez (Chairman), Designee of Police Chief, Department Head of Applicable Department

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Town Attorney	Del Galdo Law Group, LLC
Business License Director (License Officer)	Ismael Vargas
Community Development Director	Tom Tomschin
Commissioner (Superintendent) of Public Works	Sam Jelic
Data Processing Manager (Manager of Information Services)	Amanda Wolff
Electrical Foreman	Nick Telitz
Fire Chief	Mike Piekarski
Deputy Fire Marshal	Greg Fithian
<u>911 Coordinator (Emergency Alarm Administrator)</u>	
Interim Director	Dolores Temes
Deputy Director	Brandon Hurd
Administrative Assistant	Steve Ruggiero
Operations Manager	Afton Swistek

Operations Manager	Francesca Kubica
Director of Health (Commissioner of Public Health)	Sue Grazzini
Human Resources Director	Sarah Kusper
Superintendent of Maintenance (Director of Maintenance)	James Wood
Municipal Complex Facilities Manager	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Mental Health Director	Maureen Carroll
Parking Enforcement Supervisor/Officer	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Superintendent of Police	Jerry Chlada, Jr
Sign Department Supervisor/Town Sealer	Nick Jelic
Director of Special Events	Patti Salerno
Director of Senior Services	Ryan Chlada
Deputy Director of Senior Services	Jim Terracino Jr
Director of Senior Activities (Dpty Dir of Senior Srvc)	Diana Dominick
Community Center Director	Patti Salerno
Supervisor of Water Department (Superintendent of Water)	Lido Manetti
Youth Commission Director (Director of Youth Services)	Patti Salerno
Project Director(s)	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Director of People with Disabilities	Ryan Chlada
Deputy Liquor Commissioner	Cindy Dembowski
Building Commissioner	Karyn Prod
Director of the Office of Administrative Hearings	Toni Sweatman
Director of Vehicle Towing and Storage Department	Barrett Marlar
Office Manager of Vehicle Towing and Storage Department	Mary Rita Ryan
Purchasing Agent	Mary Lou Schvach
Safety Director	Jeffry Pesek
Director of Rat Control	Christopher Wasicki
Commissioner of Fleet Maintenance	Dan Wolff
Chief Inspector (Inspections Department)	To Be Determined (vacancy)

#### TOWN APPOINTED POSITIONS

Chief Animal Control Warden	Erika Rosas
Revenue Director	Ismael Vargas
Cellular Telephone Coordinator(s)	Ryan Chlada
	Dominick Buscemi
Director of Delinquent Accounts	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Director of Translation Services	Diana Dominick
Civilian Hearing Officer	Anthony Bertuca
Collection Clerk	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Collection Clerk	Elizabeth Lopez
Collection Clerk	Lori Santana
457 Plan Trustee	Sarah Kusper
Director of Financial Affairs / Chief Financial Officer	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Director of the Special Investigation Division	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Enterprise Zone Administrator	Craig Pesek
Executive Director of PSO Building	Ryan Chlada
(and/or such other persons as designated by the Town President)	
Hearing Officer	Anthony Bertuca
Hearing Officer to Hear Personnel Appeals	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Hearing Officer to Hear Liquor License Matters	Richard Pellegrino
IMRF Agent	Sarah Kusper
Ethics Officer	Michael J. Kasper

Plan Review Specialist	SAFEbuilt Illinois, LLC
Plumbing Inspector	Tony Caruso
TIF Administrator	Craig Pesek
TIF Administrator	David Gonzalez
First Deputy Superintendent of Police	Luis Gutierrez
Deputy Superintendent of Police - Detectives	Francisco Diaz
Deputy Superintendent of Police – Traffic	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Deputy Superintendent of Police - Administration	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Assistant Deputy Superintendent of Gang Crimes Unit	Francisco Diaz
Assistant Deputy Superintendent of Administration	Dominic Schullo
Deputy Superintendent of Patrol	Nino Scimone
Assistant Deputy Superintendent of Patrol	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Watch Commanders	Rhonda Kosenesky
Watch Commanders	Matt Ramirez
Watch Commanders	Chris Wojtowicz
Watch Commanders	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Watch Commanders	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Water Commanders	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Captains	Dave Leuzzi – 1 <sup>st</sup> Shift
Captains	Eddy Lopez – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Shift
Captains	Mike Skrabazz – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Shift
Director of the Community Service Officers	Serge Rocher
First Deputy Superintendent of Community Service Officers	Oscar Clay
Deputy Superintendent of Community Service Officers	Christopher Tomascino
Deputy Superintendent of Community Service Officers	Ricardo Pina
Deputy Superintendent of Community Service Officers (Nights)	Armando Grajeda
Executive Community Service Officer	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Corporal of Community Service Officers	Bob Smith
Corporal of Community Service Officers	Eduardo Munoz
Corporal of Community Service Officers	Benny Raya
Corporal of Community Service Officers	Marcos Andrade
Corporal of Community Service Officers	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Corporal of Community Service Officers	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Director of the TIF Task Force	To Be Determined (vacancy)
First Deputy Superintendent of the TIF Task Force	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Corporal of the TIF Task Force	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Building Maintenance Supervisor of the Cicero Senior Center	James Terracino, Jr.
Community Center Deputy Director	Lisa Gianakopoulos
Ambassadors for Senior Citizens	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Immigration Supervisor	Arcadio Z. Delgado
Assistant Fire Chief	Tim Rolewicz
Assistant Fire Chief	Paul Lyttek
Assistant Fire Chief	Tom Santoro
Assistant Fire Chief	Jeffrey Penzkoffer
Director of Police Records	Rose Marie Esposito
Assistant Fire Chief of EMS	Steve Schwar
Assistant Fire Chief of Administration	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Assistant Fire Chief of Fire Prevention	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Assistant Fire Chief of Maintenance	John Miller
Elevator Inspector	Urban Elevator Services LLC
Fire Inspector	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Director of Programs and Recreation	Jeffry Pesek



Director of Training and Education	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Crime Victims Assistance Director	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Emergency Response Coordinator	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Inspector (Inspections Department)	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Inspector (Inspections Department)	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Chaplaincy Program Coordinator	Ismael Vargas
Shelter Supervisor	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Community Outreach Coordinator	To Be Determined (vacancy)
Office of Professional Standards - Chief Administrator	Paul Dembowski
Office of Professional Standards - Investigator	Tom Boyle
Director of the Health Management Department	Vanessa Parrish

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**(“R” 61-22)**

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Garcia, the Resolution extending the term of certain appointed officers, employees, officials and certain members of the Board of Trustees appointed to specific committees for the Town (*Shall remain in full force and effect until 11:59 PM on October 31, 2022*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(“R” 62-22)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Porod, the Resolution authorizing and approving an application for grant funding from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for the Town (*In connection with the street lighting and pavement improvement of the L Strip located immediately north of and adjacent to the first alley north of Cermak Rd and bounded by Central Avenue on the east and Lombard Avenue on the west*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(“R” 63-22)**

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Cava, the Resolution authorizing the Town President to enter into service agreements with Fountain Pros LLC for the Town (*Provides maintenance and winterization services of the fountains located at the Laramie Park Splash Pad and the Cicero Municipal Center*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(“R” 64-22)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Garcia, the Resolution authorizing and approving the settlement of litigation and the execution of a settlement agreement in the case Christopher Quelette V. Town of Cicero (*Case No 2020 WC 008814*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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President Dominick opened the meeting to the public for their comments.

No public comments.

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Garcia, the board then stood adjourned at 10:11 A.M. to meet on Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 10:00 A.M., in the Town Hall, Town of Cicero.

MARIA A. PUNZO-ARIAS, TOWN CLERK