# MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION 11004 Carpenter Street, Mokena, Illinois 60448

Session #009 May 10, 2021

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Fleischer called the Regular Session of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:01 p.m.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Trustees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ROLL CALL/ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Clerk Martini called the roll and the following Trustees were present:

Joseph Budzyn Debbie Engler Jillian Hersted George Metanias Jim Richmond Joe Siwinski

Also present were: Clerk Melissa Martini (Village Board Room); Village Administrator John Tomasoski (Village Board Room); Assistant Village Administrator Kirk Zoellner (Village Hall); Village Attorney Steve White (Village Board Room); Village Attorney Carl Buck (Village Hall); Community and Economic Development Director Alan Zordan (Village Hall); Finance Director Barb Damron (Village Hall); Building and Planning Director Matt Ziska (Village Hall); Assistant Public Works Director Dan Peloquin (Village Hall); and Chief of Police John Keating (Village Hall)

Trustee Engler made a motion to move Agenda Items 9c and 9d – proclamation for Trustees Hersted and Siwinski to the ceremonial component of the night's meeting. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Engler, Hersted, Metanias, Richmond, Siwinski

NAYS: (0) Absent: (0) Motion carried

## OATH OF OFFICE/INSTALLATION OF MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES

Village Administrator John Tomasoski introduced former Village Attorney Ken Gray and former Village Administrator John Downs to the night's meeting.

Mr. Gray opened the ceremonial component of the night's meeting by highlighting Trustee Hersted and Trustee Siwinski's contributions to public service and their decisions to step down from the Village Board. He thanked them for their service and wished them the best on their future endeavors. Mr. Gray asked Clerk Martini to read the proclamation for Trustee Hersted.

Clerk Martini read a proclamation for Trustee Hersted.

Village Administrator John Tomasoski spoke about Trustee Hersted's public service career with the Village, including her time with the Economic Development Commission, as Village Clerk and as Village Trustee. He highlighted her educational background, financial background, professionalism and how she valued the importance of aesthetics in the community. He thanked Trustee Hersted for her time, effort and commitment to her service, and thanked her family for supporting her and the Village along the way.

Village Administrator Tomasoski presented a pictorial history of Trustee Hersted's service to Mokena.

Trustee Hersted (via video presentation) spoke about her time spent serving the Village of Mokena in her various roles on the Economic Development Commission, as Village Clerk, and as Village Trustee. She discussed the impacts fellow elected officials and Village staff had on her career in public service. She thanked her family for their support and encouragement, and for sharing their time to allow her to fulfill duties with the

Village. She stressed the importance of residents supporting elected officials and discussed the complexities of what is involved in public service. Trustee Hersted highlighted the Village's multiple financial successes and how sound decision-making of current and past Village Boards serve the residents as a strong foundation for vision and growth throughout the Village. She offered her support to the current Village Board and incoming Trustees Dauphinais and Fedora, further stating she looks forward to the next chapter in the Village of Mokena.

Trustee Budzyn wished Trustee Hersted the best in her future endeavors and stated he appreciated her insight and well-thought-out comments.

Trustee Metanias stated that Trustee Hersted exceeded her various roles in public service and that he is proud to have been on the Village Board that appointed her. He thanked her for her service and reminded her of the important role she played in shaping the Village and making it a great place to live.

Trustee Engler expressed her appreciation to Trustee Hersted for the hard work she has done for the community and thanked her family for supporting her endeavors with the Village.

Trustee Richmond commended Trustee Hersted's commitment to public service while raising a family. He stated he appreciated their like-minded business backgrounds and her straight-forward, common sense approach on issues.

Clerk Martini thanked Trustee Hersted for all she has done for the community, as well as her assistance and knowledge in transitioning her into the role as Village Clerk. She wished her good luck in her future endeavors.

Mayor Fleischer thanked Trustee Hersted for her work in public service and her commitment to the Village. He wished her well and did not want to say goodbye, but stated he looks forward to having her involved with the Village in other capacities.

Trustee Hersted echoed her sentiments from her previously recorded video and how she enjoyed her time and opportunity with the Village. She thanked her family for their support.

Mr. Ken Gray asked Clerk Martini to read the proclamation for Trustee Siwinski.

Clerk Martini read a proclamation for Trustee Siwinski.

Mr. Gray thanked Trustee Siwinski, his wife Annette, and three children Cassandra, Matthew, and Madison, for all they have contributed to the community. Mr. Gray recalled Trustee Siwinski's upbringing and business investments in the Village and the positive impacts it had in his time on the Village Board and involvement in the community. Mr. Gray described Trustee Siwinski as a "Village Patriot," for his love of and strong commitment to Mokena. He highlighted his dedication, passion, fearlessness, thoughtful decision-making, and respectful demeanor towards all. He congratulated Trustee Siwinski and his family for all they have done for the community.

A video compilation was presented which included sentiments, congratulations and well wishes to Trustee Siwinski from past and present colleagues and friends. Video participants included former Village Clerk and Village Trustee Jane McGinn, former Police Chief Randy Rajewski, former Village Trustee and Village President Robert Chiszar, former Village Clerk Patricia Patt, former Village Trustee and Village President Joe Werner, Assistant Village Administrator Kirk Zoellner, Finance Director Barb Damron, Community and Economic Development Director Alan Zordan, and former Village Trustee and Village President Mike Everett.

Mr. John Downs thanked Trustee Hersted for her contributions to the community. He further spoke of the honor of working with Trustee Siwinski. Mr. Downs discussed the honor of watching Trustee Siwinski change and grow into his role as Trustee since being elected in 1995. He described his patience, perseverance, and flexibility with his commitment to public service and dedication to the community. Mr. Downs highlighted Trustee Siwinski's many accomplishments, including his focused commitment to ensuring the wellbeing of the residents and his skilled, artful approach to working with

differing individuals in making challenging decisions and providing reasonable outcomes. He thanked Trustee Siwinski and his family for their contributions and impactful commitment to the betterment of the community.

Village Administrator John Tomasoski spoke of his time working with Trustee Siwinski. He recalled Trustee Siwinski's time as Mayor Pro Tem in 2018, succeeding close friend and political ally, Trustee John Mazzorana. Village Administrator Tomasoski commended Trustee Siwinski's core attributes, including his fiscal responsibility and positive relationships with not only himself, but with Village staff. He further expressed his appreciation for Trustee Siwinski's ability to work with him on challenging concerns within the Village. Village Administrator Tomasoski extended thanks to Trustee Siwinski's wife Annette, and three children Cassandra, Matthew and Madison, on behalf of himself as well as Village staff for all of their support over the years. He thanked Trustee Siwinski not only for his service, but for the respectful way he served and for leaving the Village in a stronger and safer position for the future.

Mr. Downs presented a pictorial history of Trustee Siwinski's 24 years of public service and contributions to the Village Mokena.

Trustee Siwinski (via video presentation) discussed his decision to not seek a seventh term after 24 years of public service. He thanked the residents for their support, encouragement, trust and friendships. He thanked his wife Annette and three children Cassandra, Matthew and Madison for their unwavering support throughout his term in public service. He thanked elected officials, volunteers, employees, and staff for their consistent hard work in the community and for making Mokena a great place to live, work and raise a family. He discussed the rapid growth and transformation the Village experienced since he was elected in 1995, as well as the issues that plagued the Village as a result. He described the lessons he learned while navigating the rapid progress of the Village. Trustee Siwinski recalled the exemplary leadership of past elected officials and Village staff who helped navigate and shape the community to what it is today while staying true to the Village motto of "Planned Progress, Pleasant Living." Siwinski highlighted key accomplishments during his time as a Trustee, including bringing Lake Michigan water to residents, the expansion of the Village's road system, the upgrade to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the addition of police personnel from 16 to 33 sworn police officers, the addition of subdivisions from 13 to 30, the issuance of over 3,200 housing permits, the LaPorte Road bike path system, the Village's AA+ bond rating and lowest municipal tax rate of 23 surrounding communities, the tax growth from approximately \$1,000,000 to \$6,500,000 under Mayor Fleischer, and a fully funded police pension fund with no tax increase to the residents. Trustee Siwinski commended current and past members of the Village's management team and staff whose exceptional work, assistance and dedication to the community added to the value of providing core services to residents. He stressed his confidence in the strong leadership Mokena currently has and his optimism for the next chapter.

Trustee Siwinski recognized Trustee Hersted's contributions to the Village while serving in various roles, Trustee Richmond's business background and dedication to veterans, Trustee Budzyn's attention to detail and background in law enforcement, Trustee Engler's generosity and encouragement to staff, residents and businesses, Trustee Metanias's commitment to youth organizations and willingness to work together for the success of the community, and Clerk's Martini's commitment and dedication to the Village. He welcomed incoming Trustees Melissa Fedora and Rob Dauphinais and looks forward to the positive impact they will make. He discussed Mayor Fleischer's undeniable commitment to the Village, highlighting that his knowledge of the past and his commitment to the residents will be key to Mokena's future.

Trustee Siwinski encouraged all residents to get to know their elected officials. He stated he looks forward to his future in Mokena and watching his daughter Madison grow up in Mokena just as he did. He stressed that the residents are Mokena's greatest asset and thanked them once again for their support during his time on the Village Board.

Trustee Siwinski approached the podium and thanked everyone for the opportunity and expressed how proud he was of the community.

Trustee Metanias commented on his time serving on the Village Board with Trustee Siwinski and the respect he showed him and other elected officials. He described Trustee Siwinski as a great asset to the town due to his leadership, hard work, knowledge, and history growing up in Mokena. He recalled former Trustee John Mazzorana's statement that if he were to ever end up in a foxhole, he hoped it would be with Joe Siwinski and George Metanias and echoed his statement. He thanked Trustee Siwinski for his 24 years of public service wished him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

Trustee Engler recalled friendship and time spent with Trustee Siwinski, further stating he was a great listener and mentor. She thanked him for his service to the community and for his friendship. She expressed her appreciation for Trustee Siwinski's family and thanked them for sharing him.

Trustee Richmond commented on the vast amount of life Trustee Siwinski dedicated to public service. He thanked Trustee Siwinski for his service and for inspiring him in his own role as Trustee. He wished Trustee Siwinski and his family the best and he looks forward to seeing him in the community.

Trustee Budzyn thanked Trustee Siwinski for all he has done for the community. He stated Trustee Siwinski's perspectives allowed him to consider things differently and further proving what successful Village Boards can accomplish. He wished Trustee Siwinski and his family the best of luck on behalf of himself and his wife, Pat.

Clerk Martini wished Trustee Siwinski and his family the best in their future endeavors. She complimented his passion for and knowledge of Mokena and stated she learned a lot from listening to him.

Trustee Hersted thanked Trustee Siwinski for his service, commitment, and dedication to the community.

Mayor Fleischer recalled his time as Trustee, when Trustee Siwinski approached him at the soccer field and inquired as to how he could be involved in the community. Mayor Fleischer appreciated that Trustee Siwinski took his advice by getting involved with other boards before obtaining an elected position with the Village. He discussed his evolution as a Trustee over 24 years. He stated Trustee Siwinski was a joy to work with and that he respects his work with the community. He thanked him for his time with the Village on behalf of himself and the residents and wished him and his family good luck in their future.

Mr. Ken Gray, Mr. John Downs, Trustee Siwinski and Trustee Hersted left the Board Room.

Village Attorney Carl Buck and Community and Economic Development Director Alan Zordan entered the Board Room.

Legal Counsel Steve White swore in Mayor Fleischer.

Mayor Fleischer thanked the residents of Mokena for entrusting him with their Village for the next four years, stating this is his eighth time taking an oath of office. He stressed that the community is his greatest concern, and he works on behalf of all residents. He thanked his wife, Laurie, for her support and assistance during his terms as Mayor and thanked his family for supporting and allowing him the opportunity to spend time working with various organizations over the years. He advised residents to contact him with any concerns they may have and assured them they will receive an honest discussion. He stated he will do his absolute best to maintain the Village of Mokena as the best community in the area and State of Illinois.

Legal Counsel Steve White swore in Clerk Martini.

Clerk Martini thanked the residents for re-electing her for another four years. She also thanked her family for allowing her to share her time with the Village.

Legal Counsel Steve White swore in Trustee Metanias.

Trustee Metanias thanked the residents for supporting him during the election process and for their votes on election day. He stated he is honored to be given the opportunity to serve and be re-elected to the Village Board and looks forward to working together to ensure communication, transparency, and accountability are delivered to the community. He congratulated Mayor Fleischer for being elected to a record third term as Mayor, as well as Clerk Martini on her re-election, and Melissa Fedora and Rob Dauphinais to their newly elected positions as Trustees. He thanked his wife, Denise, for being there for him during this campaign, his daughter Vicky and grandsons Logan and Brayden for being involved with his campaign. He thanked the Friends of Mokena slate for their hard work and support. He thanked the residents of Mokena for trusting him for a fifth term as Trustee.

Legal Counsel Steve White swore in Trustee Dauphinais.

Trustee Dauphinais stated it was an honor to be elected as Trustee and thanked the residents for their confidence in him to share his voice on behalf of the community. He expressed his commitment to the Village Board and staff to effectively collaborate on the foundation of the community provided by past and current Village Boards. He thanked Trustee Hersted and Trustee Siwinski for their service. He thanked the Friends of Mokena slate as well as friends, family and supporters for their hard work and assistance in his campaign. He thanked all individuals who campaigned for various elected positions and boards within the community. Trustee Dauphinais thanked his wife, Lisa, and children Robby and John, for their love and support. He thanked his parents and spoke on the recent loss of his father, offering his sincere appreciation for their support during this time. He recalled his family's move to Mokena from Calumet Park in 1977 and how they debated moving due to his parents experiencing long commute times from cow crossings. He discussed his family's decision to stay in Mokena and that he is ready to get to work.

Legal Counsel Steve White swore in Trustee Fedora.

Trustee Fedora thanked the residents for their trust in electing her. She thanked former Trustee Siwinski for his assistance, knowledge and support and acknowledged former Trustee Hersted's ability to be calm under pressure. She discussed her decision to move to Mokena to raise her son and how she looks forward to serving the Village alongside the Village Board. She thanked her family, friends, colleagues, and residents for their support.

Mayor Fleischer advised that the Village Board will be taking a five-minute recess.

### **DISCOVER MOKENA**

Clerk Martini presented the Community Calendar.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Fleischer informed those wishing to speak at Public Comment that they were encouraged to call (708) 478-2148.

Mayor Fleischer closed public comment.

# CONSENT AGENDA

Village Administrator John Tomasoski presented four (4) items on the Consent Agenda for Board approval. These items are strictly administrative in nature.

- a. Motion to grant approval to Mokena Festa Italiana to conduct its Annual Festa Italiana Sunday, July 18, 2021, utilizing the Front Street commuter lot, and to authorize the use of municipal/Village resources for event set-up and coordination.
- b. Motion to accept and approve the addendum to June 30, 2021 audit engagement letter dated March 26, 2021 between the Village of Mokena and Wipfli LLP to perform the single audit required under Uniform Guidance pursuant to the terms of said addendum for Fiscal 2021 and to authorize the Village President and Village Clerk to execute same.
- c. Motion to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2021 Work Session
- d. Motion to approve the minutes from the April 26, 2021 Board Meeting and Work Session.

Trustee Engler made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 7 (a), (b), (c), and (d) as depicted in the May 10, 2021 Request for Board Action prepared by the Village Administrator. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond

NAYS: (0) Absent: (0) Motion carried

#### ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Finance Director Barb Damron entered the Board Room.

Finance Director Barb Damron entered the Board Room and presented the accounts payable list for April totaling \$794,518.68. She highlighted the following invoice to be paid:

• \$30,409.38 to the Bank of New York Mellon for Interest Transportation Bonds.

Trustee Engler made a motion to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$794,518.68. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond

NAYS: (0) Absent: (0) Motion carried

Finance Director Barb Damron left the Board Room.

#### APPOINTMENTS/PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

## **Motorcycle Awareness Month Proclamation**

Clerk Martini proclaimed May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in the Village of Mokena.

# Appointment of Trustee George J. Metanias to Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor Fleischer stated that as former Trustee Siwinski (and current Mayor Pro-Tem) steps down from his position as Village Trustee on May 10, 2021, it is advisable to name a new Mayor Pro-Tem from amongst the members of the Board of Trustees. The Mayor Pro-Tem slot has traditionally been filled by the most senior and/or longest tenured sitting member of the Board. In keeping with this tradition, Mayor Fleischer recommended that Trustee George J. Metanias be appointed as Mayor Pro Tem.

Trustee Engler made a motion to appoint Trustee George J. Metanias as Mayor Pro-Tem for the Village of Mokena, effective May 11, 2021. Trustee Richmond seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond

NAYS: (0) Absent: (0) Motion carried

Trustee Metanias thanked the Village Board for allowing him the opportunity to serve as Mayor Pro Tem.

### PRE-SCHEDULED PROPOSALS/PRESENTATIONS AND VISITORS

N/A

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** 

N/A

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## Traffic Signal Maintenance Bid Recommendation

Assistant Public Works Director Dan Peloquin entered the Board Room.

Assistant Public Works Director Peloquin advised the Village Board that a bid opening was recently held for the Traffic Signal Maintenance Program, further stating that the project consists of routine maintenance of traffic signals under the Village of Mokena

jurisdiction at twelve (12) locations throughout the Village. Routine maintenance includes replacement of burned-out lamps, lenses, and batteries; cleaning of reflectors; alignment of all heads; and checking of all connections as well as monthly checks of all timings, detectors, electrical components and controllers, and relays, to ascertain that they are functioning properly. Any extra work not included in the contract such as emergency callouts, damage due to accidents, vandalism, or acts of God is paid for on a time and material basis. He advised of the locations to be maintained by the proposed contract.

Assistant Public Works Director Peloquin advised there were three bids received for the project, with H and H Electric being the lowest bidder and under the Village's budgeted amount. Based on this, Village staff recommended awarding the contract for the Traffic Signal Maintenance Program to H and H Electric, noting that H and H Electric has worked for the Village in the past and are the Village's traffic signal maintenance contractor having performed all necessary work at a satisfactory level.

Trustee Engler made a motion to award a contract for the Traffic Signal Maintenance Program MFT Section Number 22-00000-01-GM to the lowest bidder, H and H Electric Company, 2830 Commerce Street, Franklin Park, Illinois, in the total annual amount of \$13,944.00 and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk to execute same. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond

NAYS: (0) Absent: (0) Motion carried

Assistant Public Works Director Dan Peloquin left the Board Room.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Wastewater Treatment Plant Contract Amendment**

Village Administrator John Tomasoski advised the Village Board that the Village has been aggressively pursuing DCEO grant funds totaling \$760,000. After the February 26, 2021 Board approval of the contract with Williams Brothers Construction, the Village was informed by DCEO that additional conditions would be required for grant approval. One of those conditions was the submission of a Business Enterprise Program (BEP) Utilization Plan that would total 25% of the total grant funds, where 20% of the funds would be expended on minority owned sub-contractors and 5% expended on women owned sub-contractors. Staff has worked with Williams Brothers to develop a plan that meets the required goals. The increased cost for implementing the BEP utilization plan is estimated to be \$75,000 and was developed by Williams Brothers based on its communications with qualifying sub-contractors. The contract amendment outlines the requirement for Williams Brothers to complete the BEP Utilization Plan, comply with its terms, and sets the cost increase for such implementation.

Village Administrator Tomasoski further advised the Village Board that the second component of the contract amendment addresses the substantial completion and final completion dates of the contract by an additional 75 days and was requested by Williams Brothers based on the need to obtain sub-contractors for the BEP Utilization Plan, ComEd's response time in approving the final contract for relocation work on the site, and the coordination/scheduling of that work. Staff has evaluated the request and expects that there may be cost increases associated with the extension for engineering services by Strand estimated to be \$10,000.

Village Administrator Tomasoski advised that Village staff has worked with Attorney Buck to prepare a Contract Amendment encompassing both issues and recommended Village Board approval.

Trustee Engler made a motion to approve the Contract Amendment with Williams Brothers Construction, Inc. for the wastewater plant improvement contract and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk to execute the same. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond

NAYS: (0) Absent: (0) Motion carried

## **Local Government Distributive Fund Resolution**

Assistant Village Administrator Kirk Zoellner entered the Board Room and presented this item.



# What is LGDF?

- Proceeds from State Income Tax distributed to local units of government to help provide basic services such as public safety and street maintenance
- Has been in place for over 50 years
- Traditionally set at 10%
- In recent years, State has pared back amount to help fill its own budget holes
- Doing so puts more pressure on local governments to raise property taxes to help provide basic local services

# **Current Status**

- Governor has proposed further reduction in LGDF to local municipalities from current 6.06% by another increment of 10%
- For Mokena, this would mean a reduction in revenues from the State of approximately \$225,000
- Since Mokena has no local income tax, this would increase pressure to raise property taxes in order to provide the level of core public services residents and businesses have come to expect

# **Tonight's Resolution**

Calls on the General
Assembly and the
Governor to restore LGDF
payments to the original
10% agreed to when the
State implemented the
State Income Tax





Assistant Village Administrator Zoellner presented information regarding the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) and the Governor's current proposal that includes in the Fiscal Year 2022 State budget a further ten percent reduction in current levels of LGDF funding being redistributed back to local governments. He stated that this would equate to an estimated reduction of \$225,000 in State funding being redistributed back to the Village of Mokena. Reductions in LGDF funding increase pressure on municipalities to raise property taxes, further burdening residents. Assistant Village Administrator Zoellner advised that the proposed resolution is part of a united campaign being coordinated by the Illinois Municipal League and the Will County Governmental League to fight the Governor's budget proposal.

Assistant Village Administrator Zoellner suggested residents write their State representatives in support of restoring LGDF payments to the promised, original ten percent rate so that the Village of Mokena can continue to provide basic levels of service residents have come to know and expect. He noted that contact information for legislators and a sample letter has been posted on the Village's website at <a href="https://www.mokena.org">www.mokena.org</a>.

Mayor Fleischer stressed the importance of residents sending letters to State representatives to express their opposition to the Governor's proposed reduction of LGDF funding to local governments.

Trustee Engler made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-O-005, a resolution supporting restoration of Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) revenue, and to authorize the Village President and Village Clerk to execute same. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond

NAYS: (0) Absent: (0) Motion carried

Assistant Village Administrator Kirk Zoellner left the Board Room.

## VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

Village Administrator John Tomasoski requested Director of Economic and Community Development Alan Zordan present the Schedule of Development.

Director of Economic and Community Development Zordan presented the Schedule of Development.

Village Administrator John Tomasoski provided a COVID-19 update. He thanked Administrative Assistant Katie Pyznarski for her hard work and assistance in coordinating the night's presentations.

### TRUSTEES' COMMENTS

Trustee Budzyn congratulated Trustee Fedora and Trustee Dauphinais and welcomed them to the Village Board. He also thanked and expressed his best wishes to former Trustee Siwinski and former Trustee Hersted.

Trustee Metanias welcomed Trustee Fedora and Trustee Dauphinais to the Village Board and gave his best to former Trustee Hersted and former Trustee Siwinski. He congratulated Mayor Fleischer on his re-election.

Trustee Engler congratulated the newly elected officials on all community boards. She advised residents to be careful and alert as more kids are outside enjoying the warmer weather.

Trustee Richmond echoed all previous comments and gave his best to former Trustee Siwinski and former Trustee Hersted on their retirements from the Village Board. He welcomed Trustee Fedora and Trustee Dauphinais to the Village Board. He advised that the VFW will not be having their annual Memorial Day procession but will still hold an event on Memorial Day. He requested residents participate and support tour veterans while maintaining COVID-19 protocols.

Trustee Dauphinais expressed his thanks and congratulated all re-elected and newly elected officials to the Village Board.

Trustee Fedora thanked Administrative Assistant Katie Pyznarski for compiling the night's video and picture presentations, stating it was nice to see the dedication and effort of individuals past and present include their sentiments in the night's meeting. She stated she looks forward to her next four years as Village Trustee.

### **CLERK'S COMMENTS**

Clerk Martini passed on the opportunity to make comments.

## MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Fleischer congratulated all elected member of the Village Board. He advised Village Administrator John Tomasoski that he would like to reach out to all local taxing bodies in an effort to work together to ensure the best future for the Village.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Engler made a motion to adjourn the regular session and enter into the scheduled work session at 9:42 p.m. Trustee Richmond seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,	
	Frank A. Fleischer, Village President
ATTEST:	

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Melissa Martini, Village Clerk