

VILLAGE COUNCIL
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APPROVED MINUTES

PUBLIC SESSION

FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS VILLAGE COUNCIL

Conducted via Livestream Monday,

September 9, 2024

ATTENDEES:

Melanie Rose White, Mayor
Bobby Pestronk, Chairman
Daniel Ahr, Vice Chairman
Martha Solt, Secretary
Roy Schaeffer, Treasurer
Michael Mezey
Cheryl Tyler
Julian Mansfield, Village Manager
Jason Goldstein, Assistant Village Manager/Chief Innovation Officer

RECORDING OF MEETING

Recording of this meeting may be found at:
<https://www.regionalwebtv.com/village-of-friendship-heights>; the reference time on the recording time is noted for each topic.

CALL TO ORDER (00:05)

- Presentation by Joshua Hutton on the Village staff compensation study (00:02:23)
- Chair's announcements (00:26:46)
- Comments from the public to the Council (00:37:29)
 - **Alfred Muller (00:37:29)**
 - **Kathleen Kester (00:44:02)**
 - **Patricia Canessa (00:44:02)**

- **Roger Cochetti (00:46:30)**
- **Michael Dorsey (00:49:46)**
- **Cameron Moody (00:52:32)**
- **Patricia Canessa (00:56:18)**
- Comments from the Council (00:56:54)
- Mayor's announcements (00:57:07)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (00:58:48)

- Public session minutes of the July 8 Council meeting
 - **Secretary Solt moved, Councilman Tyler seconded, to adopt the minutes from the Council meeting of July 8, 2024, as amended. The motion carried (For: Ahr, Mezey, Schaeffer, Solt, Tyler, White; Abstain: Pestronk).**

TREASURER'S REPORT (00:59:30)

VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT (01:18:00)

COMMITTEE REPORTS (01:25:11)

- Report of Ad Hoc Committee on Development meeting of July 10 (01:30:54)
- Report on Communications Committee of July 23 and August 1 (01:31:54)
- Report on the Personnel Committee meeting of August 12 (01:36:05)
- Report on the Parks and Grounds Committee meeting of August 29 (01:36:32)
- Report on the Ad Hoc Shuttle Bus Committee meeting of September 5 (01:39:18)
- Report from the Climate Change and Environment Committee (01:40:23)
- Report from the Red House Working Group (01:50:39)

OLD BUSINESS (01:53:29)

- Discussion/vote on Page Park stormwater management concept proposals (01:53:29)
 - **Councilmember Mezey moved, and Councilmember White seconded, to accept the proposal from Clark Azar & Associates for the development of a stormwater concept and to authorize the Village Manager to work with the Parks and Grounds Committee and other experts as necessary to finalize a contract agreement. The motion passed. For: Ahr, Mezey, Schaeffer, Solt, Tyler, White; Abstain: Pestronk.**
- Discussion of Public Safety Committee's off-duty policy report (02:12:34)

NEW BUSINESS (02:28:05)

- Appointment of new member of Chair of the Parks and Grounds Committee (02:28:16)
 - **Mayor White moved, Councilmember Tyler seconded, to nominate Robert Pestronk to the Parks and Grounds Committee. The motion passed. For: Ahr, Mezey, Schaeffer, Solt, Tyler, White; Abstain: Pestronk.**

- Appointment of Chair of the Parks and Grounds Committee (02:30:06)
 - **Mayor White moved, Councilmember Tyler seconded, to nominate Robert Pestronk as chairman of the Parks and Grounds Committee. The motion passed. For: Mezey, Tyler, White, Pestronk; Against: Schaeffer, Solt; Abstain: Ahr.**

- Nomination of Tom Brody to the Ad Hoc Committee on Climate Change and Environment (02:35:22)
 - **Mayor White moved, Councilmember Solt seconded, to nominate Tom Brody as a member of the Ad Hoc Committee on Climate Change and the Environment Committee. The motion passed. For: Ahr, Mezey, Schaeffer, Solt, Tyler, White; Abstain: Pestronk.**

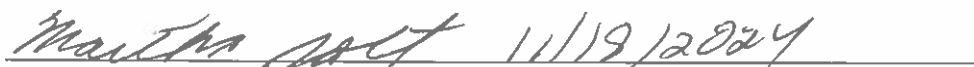
- Discussion/vote on approving Page Park invoice from GreenSweep for \$4,000 (02:36:51)
 - **Councilmember Mezey moved, Mayor White seconded, to pay GreenSweep Invoice # 37788 for \$4,000.**
 - **Councilmember Ahr moved, Councilmember Schaeffer seconded to table the motion pending discussion with the Parks and Grounds Committee. The motion to table failed. For: Ahr, Schaeffer; Against: Mezey, Solt, White; Abstain: Pestronk, Tyler**
 - **On the original motion: The motion passed. For: Mezey, Pestronk, Tyler, White; Against: Ahr, Solt, Schaeffer.**

- Discussion of recent public comment at Public Safety Committee meeting (02:54:39)
 - **Councilmember Solt moved, Councilmember Schaeffer seconded for the Chairman to develop guidelines on the roles and responsibilities of council committee members and chairs and any other individuals purporting to speak for the Village. The motion failed. For: Schaeffer, Solt; Against: Ahr, Mezey, Tyler, White; Abstain: Pestronk**

ADJOURNMENT (3:02:08)

- The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Martha Solt", followed by the date "11/19/2024". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Martha Solt, Council Secretary