

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Gregory J. Bielawski Municipal Center, 500 N. Gary Avenue, Carol Stream, DuPage County, IL 60188**

**July 9, 2012**

Mayor Saverino, Sr., called the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 p.m. and directed Village Clerk Beth Melody to call the roll.

Present: Mayor Saverino, Sr. & Trustees Mary Frusolone, Tony Manzzullo, Don Weiss, Greg Schwarze and Matt McCarthy

Absent: Trustees Pam Fenner

Also Present: Village Manager Joe Breinig, Assistant Village Manager Bob Mellor, Assistant to the Village Manager Christopher Oakley, Police Chief Kevin Orr, Finance Director Jon Batek, Community Development Director Bob Glees, Village Attorney Jim Rhodes and Village Clerk Beth Melody

Mayor Saverino convened the meeting to discuss video gaming options for the Village and asked those in attendance to introduce themselves to the group. Manager Breinig provided a brief recap of the Video Gaming Act and discussions from the June 18, 2012 special board meeting on this topic. Although the State of Illinois currently lists the Village of Carol Stream as allowing video gaming Village Code prohibits video gaming at establishments that serve alcohol. This conflict will be addressed after the Village Board clarifies its position on video gaming in Carol Stream.

Subsequent to the June 18, 2012 special board meeting on this topic the Village Board directed staff to:

- Draft an ordinance allowing video gaming
- Develop a fee structure for video gaming devices
- Invite the 17 prospective video gaming licensees to this meeting to solicit feedback on video gaming if the Village were to allow it in Carol Stream.

The Village Board, staff and business attendees discussed possible video gaming licensing fees. Flip Flops Tiki Bar & Grill owners applauded the Village for acting quickly on video gaming and stated they have been approached by many gaming vendors. The Owner of Playoffs Sports Bar & Grill stated they need video gaming as they are losing business to Glendale Heights and will pay whatever it takes to get a video gaming license. The owner of Bulldog Ale House stated he does not like the concept of linking the video gaming license to the liquor license as he does not want to jeopardize his liquor license for a video gaming violation.

Trustee Weiss stated he would eventually like to discuss how video gaming revenues will be used. Trustee McCarthy stated he is not a big fan of video gaming but he is even a lessor fan of putting Carol Stream businesses at a competitive disadvantage. Trustee Schwarze stated he was excited about moving forward. Manager Breinig stated staff could have an ordinance authorizing video gaming on the August 6, 2012 Village Board agenda. Trustee Frusolone stated her biggest concern was enforcement with humans versus mechanical means or video surveillance. It was clarified that video gaming establishments are required to diagram the layout of video gaming areas within their establishments to the State and that all money collected from the payout kiosks are handled by the vending operator and not the business establishment. Trustee Manzzullo concurred with statements made by the other Trustees regarding competitive advantage and video gaming enforcement.

Staff was directed to prepare an ordinance amending the Village Code to allow video gaming in Carol Stream for the August 6, 2012 Village Board meeting.

There being no further discussions, Trustee McCarthy moved and Trustee Schwarze seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. The motion was approved unanimously.

FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Frank Saverino, Sr. Mayor

  
Beth Melody, Village Clerk

Minutes approved by the President and Board of Trustees on this

16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2012.

  
Village Clerk