

**Minutes**  
**VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**  
**Village Hall – 418 Main Street**  
**September 10, 2018**  
**7:00 p.m.**

The regular meeting of the Lemont Village Board was held on Monday, September 10, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., with Mayor John Egofske presiding.

**A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**B. ROLL CALL:** Stapleton, Kwasneski, Maher, McClafferty, Sniegowski ; present. Blatzer; absent.

**C. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Approval of Minutes

1. August 27, 2018, Village Board Meeting Minutes

B. Approval of Disbursements

Motion by Maher, seconded by Sniegowski, to approve the items on the consent agenda by omnibus vote.

Roll call: Stapleton, Kwasneski, Maher, McClafferty, Sniegowski; 5 ayes. Blatzer; absent.  
Motion passed.

**D. MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. Mayor's Mention

1. The Historical Society will have a Canal/Quarry Tour on September 15 at 9 a.m. and a Downtown Lemont Walking Tour on Saturday, September 29, at 4 p.m.
2. Pollyanna will hold their annual Oktoberfest in the Metra lot on Saturday, September 15, from 3-11 p.m.
3. Franciscan Village is holding a "Tour of Tuscany" on September 15, from 4 – 7 p.m.
4. The Historical Society will hold "A Night of Magic and Mystery" Masquerade Ball on Saturday, September 22, starting at 6 p.m. at the Slovenian Center.
5. Lemont Park District is having a Drive-In Movie night on Saturday, September 22, from 7-9 PM at Centennial Park South Parking Lot.

6. On September 27, the Rotary Club of Lemont-Homer Glen will hold their 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Autumn Craft Beer Tasting at Gelsosomo's Pizzeria & Pub from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.
7. On the November 6, 2018, general election ballot, the residents of the Village of Lemont will have the opportunity to answer a question on home rule. The Village Board and I have come to the conclusion that our residents shall be given the opportunity to consider becoming a home rule municipality through a binding referendum. Currently, the Village is a non-home rule municipality under the Illinois Constitution. This means that the Village can only authorize those powers which are expressly granted by the State of Illinois. Home rule municipalities are allowed greater flexibility and authority to address local issues. Home rule status can only be achieved through voter approval or the certification of a population above 25,000 residents. There are many unique challenges currently facing our great community and the Board and I believe that Village residents should be given the opportunity to decide whether greater local authority should be granted to Lemont officials to address our current and future challenges. More information will become available soon.

- B. Audience Participation – Mr. Rick Lighthart said he currently has no definite position on the Home Rule Referendum at this time. He asked the Board to use caution in this issue and use another solution for this problem.

E. **Clerk's Report**

- A. Correspondence - None

- B. Resolutions

1. Resolution R-43-18 a Resolution Regarding Home Rule Powers. Motion by McClafferty, seconded by Kwasneski to adopt said ordinance. Roll Call: Stapleton, Kwasneski, Maher, McClafferty, Sniegowski ; 5 ayes. Blatzer; absent. Motion passed.

F. **Village Attorney Report** - None

G. **Village Administrator Report**

Spoke about POLCO and concerns over letters about electric services. You do not have to call in if you want to be included. You automatically are in unless otherwise indicated.

H. **Board Reports** - None

I. **Staff Reports**

A. Police

1. Hunting season is about to begin. No hunting is allowed in the Village, but it is allowed in the Township as of Oct 1<sup>st</sup>.

J. **Unfinished Business** - None

K. **New Business** - None

L. **Motion for Executive Session**

Motion by Stapleton, seconded by Sniegowski, to move into Executive Session to discuss under Chapter 5 ILCS 120/ of the Open Meetings Act, the Performance of an Employee under Section 2(c)1, Pending Litigation under Section 2(c)11 and Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 2(c)2.

Roll Call: Stapleton, Kwasneski, Maher, McClafferty, Sniegowski; 5 ayes. Blatzer; absent.  
Motion passed.

XI. **Action on Closed Session Item(s)** - None

XII. **Motion to Adjourn**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Maher, seconded by McClafferty, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Voice vote 5 ayes. Blatzer; absent. Motion passed.