

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES,  
VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK, COOK AND WILL COUNTIES,  
ILLINOIS, HELD OCTOBER 8, 2019**

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees, Village of Tinley Park, Illinois, was held in the Council Chambers located in the Village Hall of Tinley Park, 16250 S. Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, IL on October 8, 2019. President Vandenberg called this meeting to order at 7:26 p.m. and led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present and responding to roll call were the following:

Village President:	Jacob C. Vandenberg
Village Clerk:	Kristin Thirion

Trustees:	Cynthia A. Berg William P. Brady William A. Brennan Diane M. Galante Michael W. Glotz Michael G. Mueller
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Absent:	None
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Also Present:	
Village Manager:	David Niemeyer
Asst. Village Manager:	Patrick Carr
Village Attorney:	Patrick Connelly

Motion was made by Trustee Brennan, seconded by Trustee Berg, to approve the agenda as written or amended for this meeting. Vote by voice call. President Vandenberg declared the motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Brady, seconded by Trustee Mueller, to adopt and place on file **RESOLUTION 2019-R-107 APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN OMAR JABER AND THE VILLAGE OF TINLEY PARK, 15 CH 12754**. This Resolution approves a Settlement Agreement ("The Agreement") in the class action suit Jaber v Village of Tinley Park 15 CH 12754 pertaining to the Village's past water service billing. The Court has preliminarily approved the terms of the Agreement. Pursuant to the Agreement, the Village is agreeing to pay an amount up to \$425,000 directly to the customers of the Tinley Park water system, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs awarded by the Court up to \$265,000, of which \$150,000 will be paid for by the Village's risk pool at the time of suit, the cost of Class Administration, and will pay the class representative an "incentive award" of \$5,000. Each class member will receive payments based upon the number of water bills received that were for water usage in excess of 35,000 gallons as follows:

1. One instance of billing in excess of 35,000 gallons = \$10
2. Two instances of billing in excess of 35,000+ gallons = \$15
3. Three or more instances of billing in excess of 35,000+ gallons = \$20
4. Zero instances of billing in excess of 35,000+ gallons = \$3

Per the terms of the Agreement, the Village must retain First Class as the Class Action Claims Administrator. All necessary information for residents to make claims will be provided by First Class.

Brandon Lemley, Attorney for the Village on this last component in this case, he noted significant dates as follows:

- October 16, 2019 – Issue Postcard Mailing to customers;
- November 20, 2019 – Customer Deadline to file claims, opt out, or objections;
- December 4, 2019 – Fairness Hearing before the Cook County Circuit Court; and
- Payments will go out in January.

Claims will be handled by First Class, claims administration.

Village Manager David Niemeyer noted an outside firm will be handling the processing and information, including publicity of this case. Forms to file claims will be available online and on the Village website. Information will be placed on the Village website regarding this firm in about ten (10) days.

Village President Vandenberg thanked the Attorneys Brandon Lemley, Querrey & Harrow, Ltd. and Dominick Lanzito, Peterson, Johnson, and Murray, for their hard work on this case.

Vote on roll call: Ayes: Berg, Brennan, Galante, Glotz, Mueller. Nays: Brady. Absent: None. President Vandenberg declared the motion carried.

At this time, President Vandenberg asked if anyone from the Staff would care to address the Board.

No one came forward.

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Village Attorney noted that since this is a special meeting comments should be kept to this agendas topics.

No one came forward.

At this time, President Vandenberg asked if anyone from the Public would care to address the Board.

A citizen stated his concerns regarding public comment policies.

Motion was made by Trustee Brennan, seconded by Trustee Mueller, to adjourn the special Board meeting. Vote by voice call. President Vandenberg declared the motion carried and adjourned the regular Board meeting at 7:40 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: Where there is no summary of discussion on any items in the minutes, this reflects that no discussion occurred other than the introduction of the item.

APPROVED:

  
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 Village President

ATTEST:

  
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 Deputy Village Clerk