

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
MAIN STREET COMMISSION
THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2011
12:30 P.M.
Ed & Joe's Restaurant
17332 S. Oak Park Avenue; Tinley Park, IL**

In attendance: Mayor Edward J. Zabrocki, Trustee David Seaman, Mike Mertens, Michael Clark, Becky Nichols, Rich Vuillaume, Jack Cochonour, Tom Kane, Rick Butkus, Judy Bruning, Donna Framke, Matt Bruce - Southtown/Star Newspapers

Chairman Clark opened the meeting at 12:40 P.M.

Motion was made by Tom Kane, seconded by Becky Nichols to approve the agenda for this meeting. Vote by voice call: Chairman Clark declared motion carried.

Motion was made by Tom Kane, seconded by Rick Butkus to place the minutes of the previous Main Street Commission on the table until the next regular meeting of the Main Street Commission scheduled for Wednesday, August 10, 2011.

Chairman Clark distributed questions and comments regarding the Main Street Commission's role and responsibility under the current Business District ordinance, Main Street Commission ordinance and the new Legacy Code. He questioned each of the Commission members present to also provide a list of their questions to be discussed with Mayor Zabrocki, Trustee Seaman and Village staff. The group discussed the Commission's role in economic development, business attraction, business retention and marketing of Oak Park Avenue.

Mayor Zabrocki clarified the Village Board's support for the Main Street Commission and Chairman Clark advised the Commission that no formal plan has been submitted for the possible merger of the Main Street Commission and Historic Preservation. Trustee Seaman advised that the Commission is to have a direct authorization role in the Core District from 176th through 171st and an active role in the north and south wings of Oak Park Avenue. Trustee Seaman also discussed creating a bridge plan for the evolution of Oak Park Avenue to conform to the new Legacy Plan adopted in 2009.

Staff presented an overview of the Legacy Code and assured the Commission that there are waiver processes within the code and would be implementing educational sessions for commissions and external groups such as OPAMA, Chamber of Commerce and developers.

The group also discussed a list of past projects and initiatives as well as current special events on how to obtain greater involvement from Commissions, local businesses and staff to ensure successful events.

This special meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.