

RESOLUTION 2016-132

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING AND DEFINING MEETING AND ADOPTING
PROCEDURES FOR ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2007, Public Act 94-1058, amending the Open Meetings Act, takes effect and amends the definition of a "meeting" to mean "Any gathering, whether in person or by video or audio conference, telephone call, electronic means (such as, without limitation, electronic mail, electronic chat and instant messaging), or other means of contemporaneous interactive communication, of a majority of a quorum of the members of a public body held for the purpose of discussing public business," and it permits attendance of members of the public body at public meetings by a means other than physical presence;

WHEREAS, to permit attendance by a means other than physical presence, the Village of Vernon Hills must adopt rules that conform to the requirements and restrictions of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/7;

WHEREAS, the Village of Vernon Hills previously adopted Resolution 2007-176 which allowed attendance by members of the public body by means other than physical presence in compliance with the Open Meetings Act once per calendar year;

WHEREAS, the Village of Vernon Hills believes that expanding the limitation to four times per year is in the public interest;

Whereas, the corporate authorities of the Village of Vernon Hills find that it is necessary that any existing ordinances, resolutions or policies be amended to conform with the term "meeting" to include electronic gatherings as defined in Section 120/1.02 of the Open Meetings Act.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

A member of the corporate authorities may attend the meeting by other means in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/7 if the member is prevented from physically attending because of: (1) personal illness or disability; (2) employment purposes or the business of the public body; or (3) a family or other emergency. This is available four times per member of the corporate authorities per calendar year.

Dated the 18th day of October 2016

Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4 - Hebda, Schultz, Koch, Grieb

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 - Marquardt, Williams

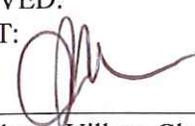


Roger L. Byrne, Village President

PASSED:

APPROVED:

ATTEST:



John Kalmar, Village Clerk