CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Joyce A. Davis called the Regular Council meeting to order at 7pm.

SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE: Mayor Davis asked all to stand for a moment of silent meditation followed by the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL: The Deputy Village Clerk was asked to read the roll call sheet. The following were noted as present/absent:

Present: Mayor Joyce A. Davis
Vice Mayor Harold E. Mathis, Jr.
Councilperson Linda Marcus
Councilperson Daisy Black
Councilperson Claudia Cubillos

Also Present: Jason Walker, Village Manager
Chief Eugene Morales
Joseph S. Geller, Village Attorney
Jannie Richardson, Deputy Village Clerk

Absent: Albertha W. Patterson, Village Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mayor Davis removed item F1 under Acknowledgment of Visitors and/or Special presentations: Officer David Adlet 20 years of service – Chief Morales. Village Manager Jason Walker added under Acknowledgment of Visitors and/or Special Presentations-F1: Overview Year Ending 2008 Financial Audit. Motion was made by Vice Mayor Mathis, Jr. that the Regular Village Council meeting agenda be approved with the stated amendments. Councilperson Marcus seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETING: Motion was made by Vice Mayor Mathis, Jr. that the minutes for the February 24, 2009 Regular Council Meeting be approved. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Marcus. The motion carried unanimously.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF VISITORS AND/OR SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:
F1. Overview Year Ending 2008 Financial Audit: Nestor Caballero presented the findings of the Audit for 2008 for the Village of El Portal that was summarized in a booklet.
G. **GOOD AND WELFARE:** Dawn Wellman a resident at 203 NE 86th Street stated her concern was to the temporary closure of Northeast Second Avenue and 85 and 86 Street should remain closed. Ms. Wellman stated the closure would add 15,000 to 20,000 to the property value in the area. Ms. Wellman stated the area has enjoyed the pleasure of no speeding traffic due to drivers taking a short cut in the area.

H. **AGENDA ITEMS:**
   H1: Request for Street Closure – Councilperson Marcus

I. **RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:**

J. **REPORTS FROM THE VILLAGE MANAGER, MAYOR & COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

K. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS:**

L. **NEW BUSINESS:**

M. **GOOD AND WELFARE:**

N. **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion was made by Vice Mayor Mathis, Jr. that the Regular Council meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Cubillos. Motion carried unanimously. Regular Council meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

_albertha wilks patterson_

Albertha W. Patterson, Village Clerk

Date Transcribed: March 17, 2009

Date Approved: March 24, 2009