

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD
OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK HELD IN
THE POLICE STATION COMMUNITY ROOM AT
9451 BELMONT AVENUE
February 18, 2025**

- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- II. CALL TO ORDER:** Village President Pedersen called to order the Board of Trustees of the Village of Franklin Park in session at 7:00 p.m.
- III. ROLL CALL; ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**
Village Clerk April J Arellano called the roll:
Present at Board Meeting: Barrett F Pedersen (Village President),
April J Arellano (Village Clerk), Joseph Montana (Village Attorney)

Trustees (Present in the Room): Mr. Ruhl, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Special,
Ms. Avitia, Mr. Ybarra, and Mr. Hagerstrom

Department Heads:

Mike Witz (Police Director)
Mark Stewart (Fire Chief)
Lisa Manzo (Deputy Building Director)
Nick Weber (Deputy Utilities Commissioner)
Rudy Repa (Village Planner)
Lisa Anthony (HR and Operations Director)
Dan Corcoran (IT Director)
Tom McCabe (Village Engineer)

The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present.

- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limit to 2 minutes per speaker, Ordinance 1415-G-43)**
 - 1. NONE
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - 1. FINANCE AND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEES, (Mr. Johnson, Chair)**
 - 1. MR. JOHNSON REPORTED THAT HE DID NOT HAVE A REPORT FROM EITHER FINANCE DEPARTMENT OR SPECIAL EVENTS
 - 2. WATER AND SEWER/FLEET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE, (Ms. Avitia, Chair)**
 - 1. MS. AVITIA REPORTED 5 MAIN BREAKS
 - 2. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF REPLACED MANHOLE STRUCTURE AND 10 FEET OF SEWER PIPE AT 3031 CALWAGNER DUE TO STRUCTURE AND LINE FAILURE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD
 - 3. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF SHUT DOWN THE KING STREET PUMPING

STATION FOR 8 HOURS TO PUT A NEW ACTUATOR VALVE IN ON PUMP 3. STAFF WILL SHUT THE STATION DOWN AGAIN FOR 8 HOURS TO PUT A NEW SUCTION VALVE IN ON PUMP 3. THIS WILL COMPLETE ALL THE SCHEDULED SHUTDOWNS. THEN, ESI WILL DO TESTING ON PUMP 3

4. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF REPLACED 56 FEET OF 6 INCHES STORM SEWER TO IMPROVE THE DRAINAGE ISSUES ON SCHUBERT AVENUE OFF OF MANNHEIM
5. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF INSPECTED 95 SANITARY MANHOLES AND FOUND 5 THAT NEED ATTENTION
6. MS. AVITIA REPORTED DURING THE LAST RAIN EVENT STAFF CLEANED 16 STORM DRAINS AND JETTED 250 FEET OF LINES TO FREE UP LINES
7. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF IDENTIFIED 2 LEAD SERVICE LINES THAT NEED TO GET REPLACED IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS DUE TO DISRUPTION DURING MAIN BREAK REPAIRS IN THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS

3. POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE, (Mr. Ruhl, Chair)

1. ON BEHALF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, MR. RUHL STATED HE DID NOT HAVE A REPORT
2. ON BEHALF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, MR. RUHL REPORTED 3,274 CALLS FOR SERVICE, 73 ARRESTS, 366 STATE CITATIONS ISSUED, 15 LOCAL ORDINANCE, 566 PARKING TICKETS ISSUED, 854 PEDESTRIAN STOPS, 1 HIGH GRASS/WEED INVESTIGATION AND 1 HIGH GRASS/ WEED CITATION ISSUED
3. MR. RUHL REPORTED THAT ON FEBRUARY 14, 2025 THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS TACTICAL UNIT EXECUTED A NARCOTIC SEARCH WARRANT IN THE 10400 BLOCK OF DICKENS UNINCORPORATED LEYDEN TOWNSHIP. ONE MALE SUBJECT WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY FOUND IN POSSESSION OF 53 GRAMS OF COCAINE, OVER \$6100 USC, TWO FIREARMS AND SEIZED ONE VEHICLE

4. STREETS, ALLEYS, AND FLEET MAINTENANCE (Mr. Ybarra, Chair)

1. MR. YBARRA REPORTED 2 TRUCKS WERE SENT TO FLEET FOR REPAIRS
2. MR. YBARRA REPORTED 2 TEMPORARY PATCHES WERE DONE FROM WATERMAIN BREAKS AND POTHOLES WERE PATCHED
3. MR. YBARRA REPORTED 7 LOCATIONS WERE CALLED TO JULIE FOR SIGN INSTALLATIONS
4. MR. YBARRA REPORTED BRANCHES WERE PICKED UP ON THE PARKWAYS
5. MR. YBARRA REPORTED 3 TREES WERE TRIMMED, 3 SNOW EVENTS AND DRIVER TRAINING WAS COMPLETED FOR 2 NEW EMPLOYEES

5. PROPERTY, PLANNING, ZONING, BUILDING, AND TREE PRESERVATION COMMISSION, (Ms. Special, Chair)

1. ON BEHALF OF THE TREE PRESERVATION COMMISSION, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED, THE PARK DISTRICT HELD A SUCCESSFUL SEED SWAP ON SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8TH AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. THERE WERE A LOT OF INTERESTED PEOPLE WHO ATTENDED, AND MANY OF THE ATTENDEES STOPPED BY THE TREE BOARD/BEE BOARD TABLE ASKING FOR INFORMATION
2. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED THE TREE BOARD/BEE BOARD WEBPAGE IS GETTING UPDATED WITH NEW INFORMATION. THERE HAS BEEN AN

INCREASE OF PEOPLE CONTACTING US REQUESTING INFORMATION ABOUT DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES OCCURRING IN FRANKLIN PARK

3. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED ON THURSDAY MARCH 6TH THE FRANKLIN PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE HOSTING A NEW PROGRAM ABOUT MUSHROOM HUNTING. MUSHROOM EXPERT HUNTER LEDUC WILL PROVIDE A PRESENTATION ON FOOL PROOF EDIBLE MUSHROOMS THAT ARE EASY TO IDENTIFY AND ABUNDANT IN OUR AREA
4. MS. SPECIAL ANNOUNCED TO PLEASE REQUEST A TREE TO BE PLANTED ON YOUR PARKWAY THIS SPRING. TREE PURCHASE ORDERS WILL GO OUT IN EARLY MARCH FOR TREE PLANTING IN MID-MAY
5. ON BEHALF OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED 64 CONTRACTORS APPLIED FOR LICENSES, 33 BUILDING PERMITS, 5 ELECTRICAL PERMITS 1 SIGN PERMITS, 1 DUMPSTER PERMITS, 1 FIRE PERMITS, AND NO POD PERMIT WERE APPLIED FOR A TOTAL OF 43 PERMITS. SHE ANNOUNCED 5 PROPERTY CLOSINGS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL, 3 NEW BUSINESS APPLIED FOR OCCUPANCY AND 3 NEW BUSINESSES WERE ISSUED AN OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATE
6. ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MET ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH, WHERE STAFF PROVIDED AN OVERVIEW OF THE GRAND AVENUE CORRIDOR PLAN AND UPDATES ON ONGOING PROJECTS. THERE WERE NO ZONING CASES THIS MONTH
7. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED STAFF ATTENDED THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY'S TRANSIT IS THE ANSWER COALITION MEETING ON FEBRUARY 11. THE RTA'S TRANSIT IS THE ANSWER COALITION ADVOCATES FOR SUSTAINABLE TRANSIT FUNDING AND HELPS SHAPE THE FUTURE OF THE REGION'S PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. THE GROUP OF RIDERS, ADVOCATES, AGENCY STAFF, AND COMMUNITY LEADERS HOLD QUARTERLY MEETINGS TO DEVELOP AND PURSUE STRATEGIES FOR STRENGTHENING THE TRANSIT SYSTEM AND MAKING IT MORE USEFUL FOR ALL RESIDENTS

6. HUMAN RESOURCES, SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE, (Mr. Hagerstrom, Chair)

1. MR. HAGERSTROM REPORTED THE ANNUAL SENIOR LUNCHEON WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19 AT 11:30 AM. IT WILL BE HELD AT CENTRE AT NORTH PARK
2. THE VETERAN LIASON FROM THE TOWNSHIP WILL HAVE SATELLITE HOURS EVERY MONTH AT VILLAGE HALL. HE WILL BE HERE ON THE 3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH ALONG LEYDEN FAMILY SERVICES FROM 9 AM TO NOON, STARTING TOMORROW

VI. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS: DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

1. None

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

(Items on the Consent Agenda will be enacted or approved by a single motion or omnibus vote. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless so requested by a member of the Village Board, in which case that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and

considered in the normal sequence of the Agenda.)

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM:
(A) THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON
MONDAY FEBRUARY 03, 2025
2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF:
\$1,302,163.13
3. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 VC
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER SIX OF TITLE SIX OF THE VILLAGE CODE
OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS (HANDICAPPED
RESERVED PARKING SPACE FOR 3025 BRIGHT STREET)
4. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 G
AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROVING AN EASEMENT AGREEMENT
GRANTING A PERMANENT EASEMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE PLACEMENT OF A MURAL ON THE PROPERTY
AT 9611-9613 FRANKLIN AVENUE (PINS: 12-28-209-004-0000 AND 12-28-209-005-0000)
5. MOTION TO WAIVE BID REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM
KCS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, INCORPORATED, FRANKLIN PARK, ILLINOIS,
TO ACQUIRE AND INSTALL THREE COMPUTER SERVERS WITH WARRANTIES IN
AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$39,900.00, TO ENSURE THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND
WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS
OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH
ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME
6. MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR MAINTENANCE UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY
CODE FOR THE USE OF MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$645,000.00
AND A LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY GENERAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH
THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR SNOW REMOVAL,
ELECTRICITY, PATCHING, ENGINEERING, REPAIR OF STREET LIGHTS AND
TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE
VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION
TO EFFECTUATE SAME
7. MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR MAINTENANCE UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY
CODE FOR THE USE OF MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$692,132.99
AND A LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY GENERAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH
THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR SNOW REMOVAL,
PATCHING AND ELECTRICITY FOR STREET AND ALLEY LIGHTS AND AUTHORIZE
THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY
DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

*Motion made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Hagerstrom to approve the Consent
Agenda Roll Call: Ayes - Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ruhl, Ms. Special, Ms. Avitia*

and Mr. Ybarra
Nay - 0. Absent - 0. Abstain - Ms. Irene Avitia

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None

IX. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK:

Clerk Arellano announced that the second passport services fair will take place on February 22, 2025

X. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT:

None

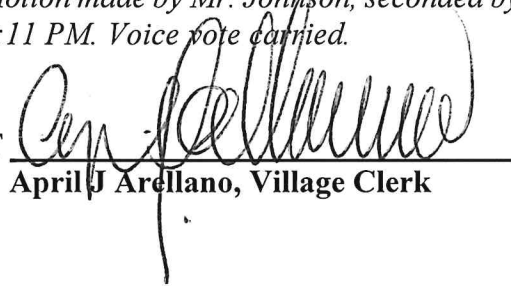
XI. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Hagerstrom to adjourn at 7:11 PM. Voice vote carried.

ATTEST



April J Arellano, Village Clerk