

**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
APRIL 21, 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: 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

Trustee John Johnson lead the meeting on behalf of President Barrett F Pedersen

Department Heads:

Mike Witz (Director of Police)
Chris Ciolino (Fire Department Battalion Chief)
David Gonzalez (Village Comptroller)
Frank Grieashamer (Treasurer)
Lisa Manzo (Deputy Building Director)
Joe Thomas (Utilities Commissioner)
Nick Weber (Deputy Utilities Commissioner)
Nick Walny (Director of Community Development and Zoning)
Lisa Anthony (HR and Operations Director)
Dan Corcoran (IT Director)
Tom McCabe (Village Engineer)

Special Guests:

María G. Velázquez, Director of Outreach for Congressman Jesus “Chuy” Garcia
Ingrid Alvarenga, Constituency Services Liaison, for Congressman Jesus “Chuy” Garcia

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 STATED COMPTROLLER DAVID GONZALEZ WILL BE PRESENTING ON THE FEBRUARY 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT DURING STAFF REPORTS

2. WATER AND SEWER/FLEET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE, (Ms. Avitia, Chair)

1. MS. AVITIA REPORTED 6 MAIN BREAKS AND 1 SEWER REPLACEMENT
2. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF TAGGED 116 ACCOUNTS FOR SHUT OFF. FOR A SCHEDULED SHUT OFF DATE OF 05/13
3. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THE WATER AND SEWER STAFF PERFORMED 18 RESTORATION DIRT STOPS
4. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF REBUILT 2 FIRE HYDRANTS AT 3120 RUBY AND BELMONT AVENUE AND ROSE STREET
5. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THE STAFF CLEANED UP THE GARBAGE AND TRIMMED BACK SMALL BRUSH ON THE 11000-11100 BLOCK OF KING STREET ALONG THE 294 TOLLWAY. DURING THIS PROJECT THEY PICKED UP 28 BAGS OF GARBAGE
6. MS. AVITIA REPORTED VACTOR STAFF JETTED AND CLEANED THE SEWERS ON THE 3100 BLOCK OF GEORGE JETTING A TOTAL OF 920 FEET AND THEY CLEANED OUT 10 MANHOLE/STREET DRAINS.
7. MS. AVITIA REPORTED RMV ROOFING WILL BE STARTING THE ROOF REPLACEMENT AT THE KING STREET PUMPING STATION ON APRIL 22ND WEATHER PENDING
8. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF FILLED 69 BAGS OF GARAGE CLEANING UP AROUND TOWN SINCE THE LAST BOARD MEETING
9. MS. AVITIA REPORTED A LEAD SERVICE LINE NEEDS TO BE REPLACED BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH DUE TO DISRUPTION FROM A SERVICE LEAK AT 3021 SCOTT

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

1. ON BEHALF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, MR. RUHL STATED HE DID NOT HAVE A REPORT FOR EITHER DEPARTMENT

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

1. MR. YBARRA REPORTED 2 VEHICLES WERE TAKEN TO FLEET MAINTENANCE FOR REPAIR
2. MR. YBARRA REPORTED 2 PATCHES WERE DONE FOR WATER MAIN BREAKS
3. MR. YBARRA REPORTED 3 SIGNS WERE INSTALLED
4. MR. YBARRA REPORTED BRANCH COLLECTION WAS COMPLETED, 2 DEAD TREES WERE REMOVED AND 2 TREES WERE TRIMMED, AND ALL ROUTES WERE SWEEPED, TVS AND TIRES WERE PICKED UP IN THE ALLEY AS SPRING CLEAN UP

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

1. ON BEHALF OF THE TREE PRESERVATION COMMISSION, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED MORTON ARBORETUM IS DONATING 90 TREES TO THE VILLAGE THIS SPRING. PLANTING LOCATIONS WILL BE THE KING

STREET PUMPING STATION AND WILLIAMS RETENTION POND.

2. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED THE 16 RAISED BED GARDEN BOXES LOCATED WEST OF VILLAGE HALL HAVE ALL BEEN ASSIGNED AND THERE IS A WAITING LIST FOR RAISED BED GARDEN BOXES
3. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED FRANKLIN PARK ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY MAY 17, 2025. THERE WILL BE A WALK STARTING FROM THE NEW PLAZA AT FRANKLIN AVENUE AND ROSE STREET AND ENDING AT THE MAZUR ARBORETUM. STAFF WILL PLANT TWO TURKISH FILBERT TREES. THIS WALK WILL ALSO STOP AT TWO BUSINESSES ON GRAND AVENUE FOR REFRESHMENTS. A SPECIAL THANKS GO TO VILLAGE CLERK APRIL ARELLANO FOR ORGANIZING THIS FUN EVENT
4. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED FRANKLIN PARK RECEIVED THE FIRST REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE IRA GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,577.35. STAFF WILL BE REVISING THE GRANT BUDGE AND WILL BE FREEING APPROXIMATELY \$25,000.00 IN FUNDING FOR TREE PLANTING. THE TREE BOARD WILL BE DEVELOPING DOOR HANGERS TO PROMOTE TREE PLANTING IN THE VILLAGE AND WALKING THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE AND ASKING RESIDENTS TO PLANT TREES ON THEIR PARKWAYS
5. ON BEHALF OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED 177 CONTRACTORS APPLIED FOR LICENSES, 102 BUILDING PERMITS, 19 ELECTRICAL PERMITS 2 SIGN PERMITS, 3 DUMPSTER PERMITS, 14 FIRE PERMITS, 1 POD PERMIT AND 1 OUTDOOR PERMIT WERE APPLIED FOR A TOTAL OF 140 PERMITS. SHE ANNOUNCED 10 PROPERTY CLOSINGS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL, 3 NEW BUSINESSES APPLIED FOR OCCUPANCY AND 1 NEW BUSINESSES WERE ISSUED AN OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATE
6. ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED ON THE AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION IS AN APPROVAL OF A MAP AMENDMENT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 9621 PACIFIC AVENUE. THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK IS REQUESTING A MAP AMENDMENT TO ZONE AND INCLUDE THE PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 9621 PACIFIC AVENUE WITHIN THE BOUNDARY LINES OF THE P PUBLIC DISTRICT. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, WHICH IS OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, IS CURRENTLY ZONED DT-3 DOWNTOWN EDGE. THE TOTAL SITE AREA IS 16,720 SF AND CONSISTS OF A GRASS AREA WITH TREES. THE FUTURE USE OF THIS SPACE WILL BE A DOG PARK, WHICH WILL BE CONSTRUCTED AND OPERATED BY THE PARK DISTRICT OF FRANKLIN PARK

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

1. MR. HAGERSTROM REPORTED THE PARK DISTRICT WILL BE HOSTING EARTH DAY ON SATURDAY, APRIL 26 FROM NOON TO 2PM AT NORTH PARK. IN ADDITION TO ALL OF THE EARTH FRIENDLY VENDOR BOOTHS, RESIDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO DROP OFF THEIR UNUSED/EXPIRED MEDICATION, OLD ELECTRONICS FOR RECYCLING AND SHRED ANY OLD OR PERTINENT DOCUMENTS

2. MR. HAGERSTROM ANNOUNCED LEYDEN TOWNSHIP IS CELEBRATING THEIR 175TH ANNIVERSARY ON SATURDAY MAY 03, 2025 FROM NOON TO 11:00 PM. FESTIVITIES WILL BE HELD AT WESTDALE PARK. THEY HAVE ASKED EACH MUNICIPALITY TO HAVE A BOOTH AT THE EVENT AND WE WILL BE REPRESENTED THERE
3. MR. HAGERSTROM ANNOUNCED THE PARK DISTRICT IS HOSTING THEIR 2ND ANNUAL COLOR RUN ON MAY 4, 2025. THE VILLAGE IS A SPONSOR OF THE EVENT AND WE WILL BE HAVING A TABLE THERE AS WELL. PLEASE PLAN TO PARTICIPATE OR COME OUT AND ENCOURAGE THE ATHLETES

VI. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS: DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

1. VILLAGE COMPTROLLER DAVID GONZALEZ BRIEFLY REPORTED ON THE FEBRUARY 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH

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 APRIL 07, 2025
2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$1,537,792.52
3. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 VC
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-2-7 OF CHAPTER TWO OF TITLE THREE OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS DECREASING THE CLASS B LIQUOR LICENSE HELD BY GOAL LINE LLC D/B/A THE GOAL LINE IN ORDER TO ISSUE A CLASS B-1 LIQUOR LICENSE TO GOAL LINE LLC D/B/A THE GOAL LINE
4. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 VC
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK ZONING MAP TO ZONE AND INCLUDE WITHIN THE BOUNDARY LINES OF THE P PUBLIC ZONING DISTRICT THE PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 9621 PACIFIC AVENUE (ZBA: 25-06)
5. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 VC
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AMENDING SECTION 9-11-7 OF THE ZONING CODE REGARDING ELECTRIC VEHICLE PARKING REQUIREMENTS (ZBA: 25-07)

6. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 G
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE UNDERPASS RESTAURANT AND LOUNGE AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS (FRANKLIN PARK FEST BEER GARDEN VENDOR AGREEMENT)
7. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 G
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN LAS ISLAS VIP AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS (FRANKLIN PARK FEST BEER GARDEN VENDOR AGREEMENT)
8. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 G
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AUTHORIZING THE CLOSURE OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAYS FOR THE FRANKLIN PARK FEST
9. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM STANDARD FENCING COMPANY, INCORPORATED, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, TO SUPPLY AND INSTALL A SIX FOOT FENCE AT 9763 FRANKLIN AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,725.00, 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
10. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT TO EXERCISE THE OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK AND THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 974 FRANKLIN PARK FOR AN ADDITIONAL THREE-YEAR TERM FOR THE PARKING LOT ADJACENT TO 9757 PACIFIC AVENUE
11. MOTION TO APPROVE HOERR CONSTRUCTION, INCORPORATED, GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS, AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE BIDDER FOR THE 2025 SEWER LINING PROGRAM PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$646,035.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BID ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION FROM THE VILLAGE ENGINEER AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME
12. MOTION TO APPROVE A REQUEST FROM LEYDEN SCHOOL DISTRICT 212 TO CLOSE A PORTION OF KING STREET BETWEEN PEARL STREET AND WASHINGTON STREET ON SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025, BETWEEN 9:00 A.M. AND 3:00 P.M. FOR THE LEYDEN COMMUNITY 100TH ANNIVERSARY FAMILY PICNIC AND AUTHORIZE THE UTILITY COMMISSIONER AND POLICE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME
13. MOTION TO APPROVE A HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT BELMONT AVENUE AND EDGINGTON AVENUE AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

14. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF POLICE TO PURCHASE TWO USED UNMARKED PASSENGER VEHICLES FROM AN APPROVED GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION DEALERSHIP WITH ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000.00, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

Motion made by Mr. Ybarra 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 stated business renewal invoices went out for the upcoming fiscal year. Clerk Arellano reported 15 passport applications were processed at the Saturday, April 19th event with 2 hours

X. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT:

NONE

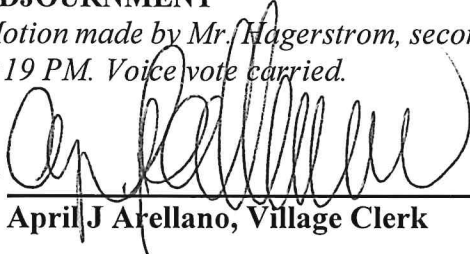
XI. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Hagerstrom, seconded by Ms. Avitia to adjourn at 7:19 PM. Voice vote carried.

ATTEST



April J Arellano, Village Clerk