

**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 07, 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 (Director of Police)
Mark Stewart (Fire Department Chief)
Frank Grieashamer (Treasurer)
Lisa Manzo (Deputy Building Director)
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)

The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present.

- IV. PRESENTATION:**
The architect of the 9001 W Belmont project briefly gave the board an overview of the proposed project, a gas station and a convenience store with two adjoining retail spaces - one of which will feature a drive-thru. The gas station will operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week and will feature ten passenger vehicle gas pumps located near the center of the development and three diesel pumps positioned in the northeast corner of the site to minimize impact on neighboring residential properties. A six-foot solid wood fence will provide a visual and noise barrier for nearby residences.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limit to 2 minutes per speaker, Ordinance 1415-G-43)

1. Resident Gary Racino complimented the zoning board of appeals staff for holding a hearing, however, he pleaded that the owners of 9001 W Belmont reconsider being a 24 hour operation. He had concerns over crime
2. Resident inquired about the retention ponds for 9001 W Belmont

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. FINANCE AND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEES, (Mr. Johnson, Chair)

1. MR. JOHNSON STATED THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 AUDIT IS COMPLETE AND NOW WORKING ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 AUDIT
2. MR. JOHNSON REPORTED BUDGET PROCESS HAS BEEN STARTED AND THE 2025 FEBRUARY FINANCIAL REPORT HAS BEEN COMPLETED

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

1. MS. AVITIA REPORTED 3 MAIN BREAKS
2. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF REPLACED THE LEAD SERVICE LINE AT 3228 SCOTT STREET AFTER LEAD DISRUPTION TOOK PLACE DURING A SEWER REPAIR LAST WEEK
3. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THE SEWER CREW JETTED MIDDLE TOWN ON BELMONT GOING WEST FROM ELDER TO LINCOLN GOING NORTH TO PACIFIC AVE. TOTAL: 7,569 FEET JETTED, AND WATER USED 6,955 GALLONS. THEY ALSO JETTED THE 9100 BLOCK OF BELDEN, JETTING 354 FT. USING 215 GALLONS OF WATER
4. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF HAD 2 SERVICE CALLS FOR BACKED UP SEWERS. 917 BELDEN AND 3125 DORA BOTH PRIVATE ISSUES
5. MS. AVITIA REPORTED A CREW CLEANED UP THE DRAINAGE DITCH AND CUT BACK ALL THE BRUSH ALONG THE 17TH AVE DITCH
6. MS. AVITIA REPORTED M.E. SIMPSON IS IN TOWN DOING HYDRANT MAINTENANCE AND DOING METER TESTING AROUND TOWN
7. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STARTING APRIL 11TH RMV ROOFING WILL BE STARTING A ROOF REPLACEMENT AT THE KING STREET PUMPING STATION
8. MS. AVITIA REPORTED BELLWOOD ELECTRIC PULL AND REBUILT MOTOR ON PUMP #3 AT KING STREET PUMPING STATION
9. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THE TAFT LIFT STATION ALSO HAD A PUMP #2 PULLED AND REBUILT
10. MS. AVITIA REPORTED FRANKLIN AVE CONTRACTOR MONTEMAYOR HAS COMPLETED PUTTING IN 2,000 FEET OF 12" WATER MAIN EAST OF 294. IT JUST PASSED ITS PRESSURE TEST AND SHOULD BE PUT IN SERVICE IN THE NEXT WEEK
11. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF WILL HAVE PIPE VIEW IN TOWN FOR 2 DAYS TELEVISIONING THE SEWERS ON GEORGE STREET FROM CHESTNUT TO FRANKLIN AVENUE
12. MS. AVITIA REPORTED CREWS ALSO FILLED 46 BAGS OF GARAGE CLEANING UP AROUND TOWN SINCE THE LAST BOARD MEETING

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

1. ON BEHALF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, MR. RUHL REPORTED 337 CALLS FOR EMS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH AND THE 2024 ANNUAL REPORT HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE
2. ON BEHALF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, MR. RUHL REPORTED 3,408 CALLS FOR SERVICE, MADE 87 ARRESTS, ISSUED 444 STATE CITATIONS, 35 LOCAL ORDINANCE CITATIONS AND ISSUED 882 PARKING TICKETS, AND MADE 900 TRAFFIC/PEDESTRIAN STOPS
3. MR. RUHL REPORTED OFFICER ELIZABETH SYZMONIK IS BEING ASSIGNED TO THE DEPARTMENT'S TACTICAL UNIT
4. MR. RUHL REPORTED OFFICER DELAPAZ HAS BEEN NAMED AS THE NEXT CANINE HANDLER WITH K9 IVAR

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

1. MR. YBARRA REPORTED THE HIGHEST CONSUMPTION OF UNLEADED FUEL WAS MADE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, FOLLOWED BY UTILITIES AND THEN FIRE

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

1. ON BEHALF OF THE TREE PRESERVATION COMMISSION, MS. SPECIAL DID NOT HAVE A REPORT
2. ON BEHALF OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED 112 CONTRACTORS APPLIED FOR LICENSES, 83 BUILDING PERMITS, 9 ELECTRICAL PERMITS 4 SIGN PERMITS, 1 DUMPSTER PERMITS, 7 FIRE PERMITS, 1 POD PERMIT AND 1 OUTDOOR PERMIT WERE APPLIED FOR A TOTAL OF 106 PERMITS. SHE ANNOUNCED 10 PROPERTY CLOSINGS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL, 2 NEW BUSINESSES APPLIED FOR OCCUPANCY AND 2 NEW BUSINESSES WERE ISSUED AN OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATE
3. ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED ON MARCH 5TH, 2025, THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL A CONDITIONAL USE FOR A GAS STATION AT 9001 BELMONT AVENUE IN THE C-3 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT
4. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED ON MARCH 5TH, 2025, THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL A CONDITIONAL USE FOR A DRIVE-THRU AT 9001 BELMONT AVENUE IN THE C-3 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT
5. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED ON MARCH 27TH, 2025, THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL A 6B REQUEST FROM ADDISON STREET PARTNERS, LLC (MISTICA FOODS). MISTICA FOODS IS PROPOSING TO REHAB THE INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11010 ADDISON AVENUE INTO A NEW FOOD MANUFACTURING AND WAREHOUSING FACILITY

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

VII. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS: DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

1. NONE

VIII. 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 MARCH 17, 2025
2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF:
\$2,668,801.14
3. RESOLUTION NO. 2425 R
A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A 2025 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT/ DEMOLITION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT APPLICATION (CROWN PARK STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT)
4. RESOLUTION NO. 2425 R
A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A CLASS 6B REAL ESTATE TAX ASSESSMENT APPLICATION BY ADDISON STREET PARTNERS, LLC FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITY LOCATED AT 11010 ADDISON AVENUE, VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS (PINS: 12-20-300-044-0000 AND 12-20-300-051-0000)
5. RESOLUTION NO. 2425 R
A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS APPROVING THE DONATION OF A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT TO THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AS PART OF THE FRANKLIN AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION AND WIDENING PROJECT (OML0044TE; PORTION OF PIN 12-20-401-005-0000)

6. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 VC
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AMENDING SECTION 11-1-5 OF CHAPTER ONE OF TITLE ELEVEN OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF FRANKLIN PARK, ILLINOIS (FIRE DEPARTMENT AMBULANCE SERVICE FEES)
7. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 VC
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6-6F-8 OF CHAPTER SIX OF TITLE SIX OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO ELIMINATE THE HANDICAPPED RESERVED PARKING SPACE AT 2921 EDGINGTON
8. 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 3247 PEARL STREET)
9. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 G
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT TO CONTRACT FOR GRASS CUTTING SERVICES FOR PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN THOMAS HERRERA LANDSCAPING SERVICES, INC. AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
10. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 G
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT TO CONTRACT FOR GRASS CUTTING SERVICES FOR PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN BIUNDO LANDSCAPING AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
11. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 G
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT TO CONTRACT FOR GRASS CUTTING SERVICES FOR PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN JESSE'S LAWN SERVICE AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
12. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 Z
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE TO ALLOW FOR A "GAS STATION" IN THE C-3 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (ZBA 25-03: 9001 BELMONT AVENUE)
13. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 Z
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE TO ALLOW FOR A "DRIVE THRU LANE" IN THE C-3 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (ZBA 25-04: 9001 BELMONT AVENUE)
14. ORDINANCE NO. 2425 Z
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE TO ALLOW FOR A "DRIVE THRU LANE" IN THE C-3 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (ZBA 25-05: 9001 BELMONT AVENUE)

15. MOTION TO APPROVE K9 TRAINING FROM EXCEL K9 SERVICES, INCORPORATED, HIRAM, OHIO FOR K9 OFFICER IVAR IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,800.00, 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
16. MOTION TO APPROVE A LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR FEDERAL FUNDED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR GRAND AVENUE AND GEORGE STREET PHASE I INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,000.00 AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME
17. MOTION TO APPROVE A LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE GRAND AVENUE AND GEORGE STREET TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION AND INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$95,057.00 AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME
18. MOTION TO APPROVE EVERLAST BLACKTOP, ELGIN, ILLINOIS, AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE BIDDER FOR THE SOUTH INDUSTRIAL AREA ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,287,844.09 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
19. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ROCK SALT FOR THE 2025-2026 WINTER SEASON THROUGH THE JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT ADMINISTERED BY THE STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES (CMS) AND AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSIONER OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND INCUR SUCH EXPENSES FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE ROCK SALT AND FURTHER AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME
20. MOTION TO APPROVE A FACILITIES SERVICE AGREEMENT FROM LECHNER SERVICES, MOUNT PROSPECT, ILLINOIS FOR LOGO AND FLOOR MATS AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

*Motion made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Ybarra 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

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None

X. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK:

Clerk Arellano stated the upcoming date for passport and photo services at the library will be on Saturday, April 19, 2025, appointments are required

XI. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Village President Pedersen announced Congressman Jesus "Chuy" Garcia recognized assistant village engineer Dafne Henriquez on the floor of the House of Representatives for her contributions to planning infrastructure projects and creating a space for young women in STEM

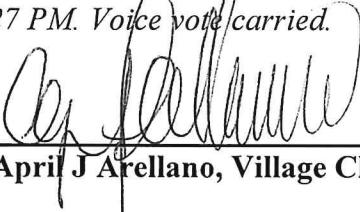
XII. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Ybarra to adjourn at 7:27 PM. Voice vote carried.

ATTEST



April J Arellano, Village Clerk