

**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
AUGUST 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), and Joseph Montana (Village Attorney)

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

Department Heads:

Thomas Ferris (Commander of Patrol)

Mark Stewart (Fire Chief)

Frank Griegashamer (Treasurer)

Joe Thomas (Utilities Commissioner)

Nick Weber (Deputy Utilities Commissioner)

Nick Walny (Director of Community Development and Zoning)

Dan Corcoran (IT Director)

Lisa Anthony (HR and Operations Director)

Tom McCabe (Village Engineer)

The Village Clerk declared a quorum was present.

IV. APPOINTMENTS

Joan Ambo, Member, Tree Preservation Commission to April 30, 2026

Les Grahn, Member, Tree Preservation Commission to April 30, 2026

Ramona Michael, Member, Tree Preservation Commission to April 30, 2026

Violet Pamintuan, Member, Tree Preservation Commission to April 30, 2026

Mary Ellen Smolen, Member, Tree Preservation Commission to April 30, 2026

Monika Suryovich, Member, Tree Preservation Commission to April 30, 2026

Motion made by Mr. Hagerstrom and seconded by Mr. Ybarra to approve the Appointments as listed above

*Roll Call: Ayes - Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Johnson Mr. Ruhl, Ms. Special, Ms. Avitia and Mr. Ybarra
Nay - 0. Absent - 0. Abstain - 0*

V. PRESENTATION:

Rita Kreslin, executive director of Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists presented the award to Officer Alfredo Quinones for his exceptional work

VI. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE:

Village Clerk Arellano administered the oath of office to Ivar as K9 Police Officer of Franklin Park

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

1. Resident raised the issue with rodents and being afraid of being out on their own porch
2. Resident raised the issue with rodents. Their bait boxes are not checked

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

1. MR. JOHNSON STATED HE DID NOT HAVE A REPORT FOR EITHER FINANCE OR SPECIAL EVENTS

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

1. MS. AVITIA REPORTED 8 MAIN BREAKS, AND 1 SERVICES LEAK
2. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF REBUILT 5 HYDRANTS, REPLACED 4 LEAD SERVICES
3. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THE SMITH LASALLE'S DIVING TEAM INSPECTED THE 2 UNDERGROUND 1- AND 3-MILLION-GALLON RESERVOIRS UNDER THE GAZEBO
4. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF FLUSHED OUT ALL THE DEAD-END MAINS AROUND TOWN TO COMPLETE THE MONTHLY DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST. ALL WATER FLUSHED WAS RECORDED FOR WATER LOSS RECORDS

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

1. MR. RUHL DID NOT HAVE REPORTS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT
2. ON BEHALF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, MR RUHL REPORTED THE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO 3,247 SERVICE CALLS, MADE 172 ARRESTS, ISSUED 512 STATE CITATIONS, 34 LOCAL ORDINANCE CITATIONS, MADE 939 TRAFFIC/PEDESTRIAL STOPS, REVIEWED 30 COMPLAINTS OF HIGH GRASS/WEEDS, AND ISSUED 6 CITATIONS FOR HIGH GRASS /WEEDS

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

1. ON BEHALF OF THE STREET DIVISION: 2 VEHICLES WERE TAKEN TO FLEET MAINTENANCE FOR SERVICE
2. ON BEHALF OF THE FORESTRY DIVISION, BRANCH COLLECTION WAS COMPLETED AND 4 TREES WERE TRIMMED AND 1 TREE REMOVED
3. ALL ROUTES WERE SWEEPED ALONG THE ALLEYS AND INDUSTRIAL STREETS
4. FLOWERS AND TREES WERE WATERED, LITTER WAS PICKED UP ON FRANKLIN AND GRAND, 14 LOCATIONS WERE HOT PATCHED AND 5 LOCATIONS WERE COLD PATCHED AND 3 PARKWAYS WERE RESTORED
5. ON BEHALF OF FLEET MAINTENANCE, TOTAL REPAIRS FOR TOTAL OF 175 HOURS WITH UTILITIES NEEDING THE MOST REPAIRS

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

1. ON BEHALF OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED 243 CONTRACTORS APPLIED AND REGISTERED FOR LICENSES, 162 BUILDING PERMITS WERE APPLIED FOR, 14 ELECTRICAL, 5 SIGNS, 9 FIRE, 1 TEMPORARY EVENT, 1 OUTDOOR CAFÉ AND 1 PERMIT WERE APPLIED FOR A TOTAL OF 193 PERMITS
2. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED 16 PROPERTY CLOSINGS, 10 NEW BUSINESSES APPLIED FOR OCCUPANCY, AND 6 NEW BUSINESSES WERE ISSUED

OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATES

3. ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING, ON JULY 7TH, THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT WELCOMED PAUL MIZNER TO FRANKLIN PARK AS THE NEW VILLAGE PLANNER. PAUL WORKED AS AN URBAN PLANNER FOR KRETCHMER ASSOCIATES AND WAS PART OF A TEAM THAT WORKED ON THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR RIVER GROVE. HE ALSO WORKED AS AN INTERN FOR THE CHICAGO METROPOLITAN AGENCY FOR PLANNING. PAUL BRINGS EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE FROM THE PRIVATE SIDE OF DEVELOPMENT, AND WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE HIM AS PART OF THE TEAM.
 4. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED ON AUGUST 11TH, VILLAGE PLANNING AND ENGINEERING STAFF WELCOMED CONSULTANT GANNET FLEMMING TRAN SYSTEMS TO THE VILLAGE FOR THE OFFICIAL KICKOFF MEETING FOR PHASE I ENGINEERING OF THE UNDERPASS PROJECT, ALSO KNOWN AS CONNECT FRANKLIN PARK. UPDATES WILL BE SHARED THROUGHOUT THE PROJECT AND IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROJECT, PLEASE REACH OUT TO PLANNING OR ENGINEERING STAFF
 5. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS, MAYOR BARRETT PEDERSEN, VILLAGE CLERK APRIL ARELLANO, VILLAGE STAFF, AND VILLAGE RESIDENTS, PARTICIPATED IN A MASS BIKE RIDE ON AUGUST 13TH FROM 5:30 P.M TO 6:30 P.M., IN SUPPORT OF THE O'HARE AREA BIKE NETWORK STUDY. THE 6-MILE-LONG BIKE RIDE WAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE FIRSTHAND FEEDBACK TO THE STUDY TEAM ON BICYCLING IN THE AREA. THE BIKE RIDE BEGAN AT THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT AND FEATURED KEY SITES REGARDING FUTURE BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE IN FRANKLIN PARK AND OUTLINED CHALLENGES WITHIN THE EXISTING AND PROPOSED BIKE NETWORKS
6. **HUMAN RESOURCES, SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE, (Mr. Hagerstrom, Chair)**
1. MR. HAGERSTROM REPORTED THE BLOOD DRIVE WILL BE ON SEPTEMBER 19 FROM 3:00 PM TO 7:00 PM IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM AT THE POLICE STATION
 2. MR. HAGERSTROM REPORTED RELAY FOR LIFE OF LEYDEN TOWNSHIP WILL BE ON SEPTEMBER 12TH FROM 6:PM UNTIL 9:30 PM AT ELM MIDDLE SCHOOL
 3. MR. HAGERSTROM REPORTED FALL FEST PARADE WILL BE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5TH WITH KICK OFF BEING AT 1:00 PM AND THE VILLAGE WILL BE PARTICIPATING

IX. STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS: DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

1. NONE

X. 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 JULY 21, 2025

(b) THE PUBLIC MEETING FOR APPROPRIATION HEARING HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 21, 2025

2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF:
\$5,393,220.96
3. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 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 3528 ERNST STREET
4. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 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 9205 PARKLANE AVENUE)
5. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 VC
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6-6B-2 OF CHAPTER SIX OF TITLE SIX OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS (STOP SIGN AT SOUTHBOUND LINCOLN STREET AT CHESTNUT AVENUE)
6. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 G
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCY IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES FROM THE COUNTY OF COOK
7. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 G
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION AND THOMSON REUTERS ENTERPRISE CENTER AND THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
8. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 G
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE AT AUCTION BY OBENAUF AUCTION SERVICE OF CERTAIN SURPLUS VEHICLES AND PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
9. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 G
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS (IT DEPARTMENT COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT)
10. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 Z
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE TO ALLOW FOR A "DRIVE-THRU LANE" AT A RESTAURANT IN THE C-3 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (ZBA 25-14: 3010 MANNHEIM ROAD, UNIT A)

11. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 Z
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE TO ALLOW FOR A "DRIVE-THRU LANE" AT A RESTAURANT IN THE C-3 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (ZBA 25-13: 10000 GRAND AVENUE)
12. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM TWO JS INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED, ELK GROVE VILLAGE, ILLINOIS, FOR TUCKPOINTING AND BRICK REPLACEMENT ON THE NORTH EXTERIOR WALL OF THE WATER AND SEWER GARAGE BUILDING AT 9300 BELMONT AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,900.00, AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME
13. MOTION TO WAIVE BID REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVE THE ACQUISITION OF A 2025 FORD TRANSIT CARGO VAN WITH ENVIROSIGHT SEWER TELEVISIONING EQUIPMENT FROM STANDARD EQUIPMENT COMPANY, ELMHURST, ILLINOIS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$303,354.12 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
14. MOTION TO APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES PROPOSAL FROM SPACECO, INCORPORATED, ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS, FOR THE ROBINSON ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$84,000.00 AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME
15. MOTION TO APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES PROPOSAL FROM SPACECO, INCORPORATED, ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FRANKLIN AVENUE STREETScape PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$56,000.00 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 AN ENVIRONMENTAL RIGHT OF ENTRY ACCESS AGREEMENT WITH THE COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY AND WEAVER CONSULTANTS GROUP NORTH CENTRAL LLC FOR SUPPLEMENTAL PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT ACTIVITIES AT 3335 SCHIERHORN COURT 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 PROPOSAL FROM EXP US SERVICES, INC. FOR SUPPLEMENTAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$176,643.00 FOR THE FRANKLIN AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TAKE SUCH ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME.

(Village Clerk Arellano read aloud each of the items that were identified on the consent agenda and under consideration by the Village Board before final action on the items identified on the consent agenda occurred)

Motion made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Hagerstrom to approve the Consent Agenda

*Roll Call: Ayes - Mr. Hagerstrom, Mr. Ruhl, Ms. Special, Ms. Avitia, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Ybarra
Nay - 0. Absent - 0. Abstain - 0*

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
NONE

XII. NEW BUSINESS
NONE

XIII. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK:
NONE

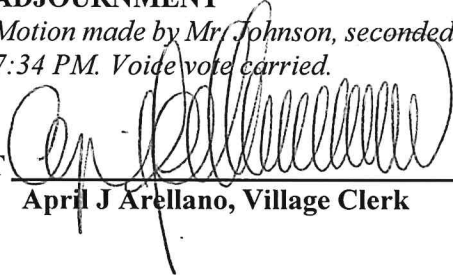
XIV. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT:
NONE

XV. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION
NONE

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

*Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hagerstrom to adjourn at
7:34 PM. Voide vote carried.*

ATTEST



April J Arellano, Village Clerk