

**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
SEPTEMBER 15, 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,
Mr. Ybarra, and Mr. Hagerstrom

Department Heads:

Mike Witz (Police Chief)

Mark Stewart (Fire Chief)

Frank Grieashamer (Treasurer)

Joe Thomas (Utilities Commissioner)

Nick Weber (Deputy Utilities Commissioner)

Lisa Manzo (Deputy Building Department)

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. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. None

V. 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 3 MAIN BREAKS

2. MS. AVITIA REPORTED, 4 LEAD REPLACEMENTS

3. MS. AVITIA REPORTED THE SEWER CREW JETTED 19,036 FEET OF SEWERS ON THE NORTHSIDE OF TOWN USING 15,040 GALLONS OF WATER AND THE SEWER CREW INSPECTED 46 MANHOLES DURING JETTING PROCESS

4. MS. AVITIA REPORTED STAFF REBUILT 5 STREET DRAINS AND 1 RESET B-BOX RESET AND BACK FILL

5. MS. AVITIA REPORTED CREWS DID 5 DIRT STOP RESTORATIONS FROM DIG JOBS LAST WEEK
3. **POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE, (Mr. Ruhl, Chair)**
 1. MR. RUHL DID NOT HAVE REPORTS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT
 2. MR. RUHL REPORTED THE POLICE DEPARTMENT MADE 80 PERSON ARRESTS, ISSUED 384 STATE CITATIONS, ISSUED 25 LOCAL ORDINANCE CITATIONS, ISSUED 902 PARKING CITATIONS, MADE 869 TRAFFIC / PEDESTRIAN STOPS, REVIEWED 44 COMPLAINTS OF HIGH GRASS / WEEDS AND ISSUED 4 CITATIONS FOR HIGH GRASS / WEEDS
4. **STREETS, ALLEYS, AND FLEET MAINTENANCE (Mr. Ybarra, Chair)**
 1. ON BEHALF OF THE STREET DIVISION: 3 VEHICLES WERE TAKEN TO FLEET MAINTENANCE FOR SERVICE
 2. ON BEHALF OF THE FORESTRY DIVISION, 7 HAZARDOUS TREES WERE REMOVED, BRANCH COLLECTION WAS COMPLETED AND 14 TREES STUMPS WERE REMOVED
 3. ALL ROUTES WERE SWEEPED
 4. FLOWERS AND TREES WERE WATERED, LITTER WAS PICKED UP
5. **PROPERTY, PLANNING, ZONING, BUILDING, AND TREE PRESERVATION COMMISSION, (Ms. Special, Chair)**
 1. ON BEHALF OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED 110 CONTRACTORS APPLIED AND REGISTERED FOR LICENSES, 80 BUILDING PERMITS WERE APPLIED FOR, 10 ELECTRICAL, 4 SIGNS, 6 FIRE, 2 DUMPSTER PERMITS, 2 SMALL CELL PERMITS AND 2 TEMPORARY EVENT PERMITS WERE APPLIED FOR A TOTAL OF 106 PERMITS
 2. MS. SPECIAL REPORTED 10 PROPERTY CLOSINGS, 7 NEW BUSINESSES APPLIED FOR OCCUPANCY, AND 2 NEW BUSINESSES WERE ISSUED OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATES
 3. ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING, MS. SPECIAL REPORTED ON SEPTEMBER 10TH, THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, THE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, LEGAL, AND THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT HOSTED THE 2023 AND 2024 TIF JOINT REVIEW BOARD MEETING AT THE POLICE STATION. IN ATTENDANCE WERE REPRESENTATIVES FROM VILLAGE TAXING DISTRICTS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE PUBLIC. ILLINOIS STATE STATUTE REQUIRES EVERY TIF DISTRICT SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE STATE OF ILLINOIS AND CONDUCT A JOINT REVIEW BOARD MEETING TO REVIEW THE REPORT AND DISCUSS CURRENT AND FUTURE PROJECTS WITHIN EACH TIF DISTRICT
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 ANNOUNCED SHRED DAY WILL BE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2025 FROM 9 AM TO NOON AT THE POLICE STATION
- 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 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 02, 2025
2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHER EXPENDITURES LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF:
\$ 1 ,968,120.33
3. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 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 LAKHIA LLC D/B/A NINA'S RESTAURANT AND BAR IN ORDER TO ISSUE A CLASS B-1 LIQUOR LICENSE TO LAKHIA LLC D/B/A NINA'S RESTAURANT AND BAR

4. ~~ORDINANCE NO. 2526 VC~~
~~AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6-6F-1 OF CHAPTER SIX OF TITLE SIX OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS PROHIBITING PARKING ON BOTH SIDES OF GEORGE STREET BETWEEN CHESTNUT AVENUE AND GRAND AVENUE~~

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON NUMBER 4 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. THIS ITEMS WAS STRICKEN FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

5. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 G
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN FOR 2025-2027
6. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 G
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE GROUND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM AND COVERED AMBULANCE SERVICES AND RATES
7. ORDINANCE NO. 2526 G
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS STATE TOLL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY PROVIDING FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES AND REIMBURSEMENT RATES

8. MOTION TO APPROVE 1 SOURCE MECHANICAL, INCORPORATION, OAK BROOK, ILLINOIS, AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE BIDDER FOR THE POLICE STATION HVAC IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$124,450.00 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
9. MOTION TO APPROVE THE GIRL SCOUTS OF GREATER CHICAGO AND NW INDIANA, JOLIET, ILLINOIS REQUEST TO CONDUCT THEIR ANNUAL FALL PRODUCT FUNDRAISER PROGRAM FROM SEPTEMBER 19, 2025 TO OCTOBER 16, 2025, AND THEIR ANNUAL COOKIE FUNDRAISER PROGRAM FROM DECEMBER 12, 2025 TO JANUARY 15, 2026
10. MOTION TO WAIVE BID REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED, EAST HAZEL CREST, ILLINOIS, TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL A NATURAL GAS GENERATOR AT 10801 FRANKLIN AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$82,600.00 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
11. MOTION TO WAIVE BID REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED, EAST HAZEL CREST, ILLINOIS, TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND AN AIR CONDITIONING UNIT AT 10801 FRANKLIN AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$89,600.00 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
12. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM SPEAR LANDSCAPING AND DEVELOPMENT, INCORPORATED, ITASCA, ILLINOIS, FOR A NEW ROOF, GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS ON THE B-12 TOWER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$16,600.00, 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

(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. Ybarra to approve the Consent Agenda minus item number 4 of 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*

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
NONE

IX. NEW BUSINESS
NONE

X. COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK:
NONE

XI. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT:
NONE

XII. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pedersen stated there is a need for Purchase or Lease of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5),

Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Avitia to go into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. for "Purchase or Lease of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5),"

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

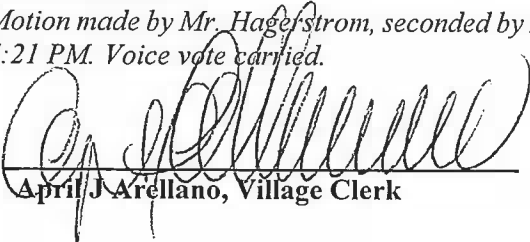
RETURNED FROM CLOSED SESSION AT 7:19 P.M.

Village Clerk, April Arellano, stated to let the record reflect that all members returned. No action was taken in Closed Session

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Hagerstrom, seconded by Mr. Johnson to adjourn at 7:21 PM. Voice vote carried.

ATTEST


April J. Arellano, Village Clerk