

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
March 10, 2026**

BOARD MEETING:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular board meeting of the Village of Forest View was called to order by Village President Liska at 7:04 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Liska led the Board Trustees and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

The Roll Call of Board Trustees by Clerk McGuffey is as follows:

Present: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Castanuela, Nitka
Absent: Trustee Hubacek, Nevarez

4. PRESENTATIONS

Village Clerk McGuffey swore in Part-time Officer Hector Chavez.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

That the minutes of the regular board meeting of March 10, 2026 to be approved as read:

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
Second: Trustee Grossi

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Grossi, Nitka, Castaneula
No: NA

Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES

To approve the village payroll and accounts payable expenditures as of March 15, 2026:

Payroll- FT /PT/Officials	\$	114,409.99
Bills Payable	\$	222,412.53
Total Expenditures:	\$	336,822.52

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
 Second: Trustee Grossi

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Grossi, Nitka, Castanuela
 No: NA

Motion Carried.

7. REPORTS OF REVENUES AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2026:

Cash Receipts:	\$	325,713.38
Sales Tax:	\$	56,307.66
Home Rule Sales Tax:	\$	36,694.11
Local Gas Tax:	\$	48,842.28
Video Gaming Tax:	\$	29,627.05
Interest:	\$	6,664.45
Total Revenue:	\$	503,848.93

Action Requested: None, information only.

8. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Item # 1 – President Liska is requesting the board approve a donation to the American Legion Stickney Unit 687 for their Annual Spring Bazaar on April 18, 2026. This is their principal fundraiser of the year, and they are looking rais \$2,000.00.

The board recommended donating \$300.00 to the American Legion Stickney Auxiliary.

Action requested: Motion to approve a donation of \$300.00 to the American Legion Stickney Unit 687 for the Annual Spring Bazaar on April 18, 2026.

Motion: Trustee Castanuela
 Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Castanuela, Sudkamp, Nitka, Grossi
 No: NA

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 2 – President Liska will present information regarding the Openlands Grant offered by ComEd and determine if the board would like to pursue with the grant application.

Action requested: Motion to approve moving forward with applying the grant.

Motion: Trustee Castanuela
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Castanuela, Sudkamp, Nitka, Grossi

No: NA

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 3 – Building Inspector Kutt are requesting the board approve Ordinance No. 26-07 amending title 7, Chapter 1 of the Forest View Village Code, adding Section 7-1-11 elimination of harborage, Section 7-1-12 elimination of food source and Section 7-1-13 regarding the destruction of rats and bait boxes.

Action requested: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 26-07 amending title 7, Chapter 1 of the Forest View Village Code.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Castanuela, Nitka

No: NA

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 4 – Police Chief Ritz is requesting the board review and approve Resolution R26-02 designating Chief Jim Ritz as a representative for the Village of Forest View in connection with the (CERCCC) Consolidated Emergency Response Center of Cook County Joint 9-1-1 Authority.

Action requested: Motion to approve Resolution R26-02 designating Chief Jim Ritz as a representative for the Village of Forest View in connection with the (CERCCC) Consolidated Emergency Response Center of Cook County Joint 9-1-1 Authority.

Motion: Trustee Castanuela
Second: Trustee Nitka

Yes: Trustees Castanuela, Nitka, Grossi, Sudkamp,

No: NA

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 5 – Police Chief Ritz to discuss with the board the current IGA 911 Dispatch Service Agreement that the Village of Forest View has with the Town of Cicero. He is requesting approval from the board to approve Resolution No. R26-02 terminating the (IGA) Intergovernmental Agreement regarding 911 dispatch services with the Town of Cicero.

Action requested: Motion to approve Resolution No. R26-02 terminating the (IGA) Intergovernmental Agreement regarding 911 dispatch services with the Town of Cicero.

Motion: Trustee Castanuela
Second: Trustee Nitka

Yes: Trustees Castanuela, Nitka, Grossi, Sudkamp
No: NA
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 6 – Letter from Superintendent Miller regarding Chicago Water Intake Meters and is requesting the board approve the quote for an 8” Mag Meter from Badger Meter Inc. at a price not to exceed \$10,165.06 for the pump station.

In the meeting Superintendent Miller stated that the quote is for two (2) 8” Mag Meters.

Action requested: Motion to approve the quote for two (2) 8” Mag Meter from Badger Meter Inc. at a price not to exceed \$10,165.06.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
Second: Trustee Nitka

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Nitka, Grossi, Castanuela
No: NA
Motion Carried.

9. APPLICATION FOR NEW BUSINESS LICENSE:

No new business license applications.

10. APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMIT:

F26-03 Villanueva Innovation, 4544 Kenilworth Ave. Correct all violations per real estate inspection. Replace kitchen cabinets and flooring. Renovate bathroom on 2nd floor and basement. Frame basement wall, install insulation, drywall, paint and install six can lights and outlets to code. Build new 20 x 20 garage.

NF26-04 Lawrence Powell 4552 Grove Ave. Frame and drywall basement.

NF26-05 Michaelangelo Colon, 4540 Wisconsin Ave. Replace front and back doors.

NF26-06 Daisy Fernandez, 4528 Oak Park Ave. Remove and replace front concrete steps.

In the meeting it was confirmed that Building Inspector will do a post inspection.

Action Requested: None, information only.

11. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

No reports of officers.

12. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

- Superintendent of Public Works Miller:

Mentioned Pinner was on site to find out what the issue is with the street lights. They stated that it may be an issue under the road. They will be calling JULIE and then dig the grass on both sides of Wenonah to access conduit to pull wires through.

Reported that the Village Hall main entrance heater was repaired last week and the Fire Department Air Compressor was installed today.

Reported he attended the CWPAC Meeting to discuss Chicago feed meter and the cost of a service study.

The Public Works department removed old office furniture from the Village Accountants workspace and replaced it with two new file cabinets.

Repaired floor tiles in the Treckler Room, Contacted Preferred plumbing to repair the urinal in the police department that is not draining.

Cleaned up along Pump house / 51st Street fence line and also along Harlem under the tracks and near the old lake river entrance apron.

Mentioned that the Village is looking into 50 free trees from Com Ed.

- Police Chief Ritz:

Reported on the Police Departments Monthly Statistical Report for February 2026/
Incidents Generated - Total Calls for Service – 1,093. Calls to Non-Emergency
Calls – 1, Calls to 911 – 0, Generated by Officers – 137, Accident Crash Reports – 12,
State Citations – 21, Ordinance Citations – 158, Cannabis Citation - 3, Vehicle
Stickers - 0, Warning Citations - 25, Arrests -6, Misdemeanors – 1, and Felonies – 0.

Discussion ensued and the Chief was told that there are too many warning tickets. Trustee Grossi stated that from the hours of 3pm and 5pm the cars are going through the stop signs.

Reported that his officers are doing park checks and ordinance checks and they will be doing truck enforcement. Working on a partnership with Stickney. Mandatory training.
Thanked Tanner for his help with Cook County and for Dawns help with the Police Department Facebook page regarding a missing cat.

- Deputy Fire Chief :

No Reports.

13. REPORTS FROM VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

Discussion ensued and trustees said that no one is following the rules. They are not stopping and go through the signs . Another trustee said that the motorized bikes are out and are flying past the park. Another complaint about cars parking on Clinton.

14. REPORTS FROM THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT:

Reported on the slow rate of the village receiving the tax dollars and other state tax cuts.
Reported that he will be attending the pipeline safety meeting on March 26th and reminded everyone to vote on March 17th.

He told everyone at the board meeting that Commissioner Frank Aguilar has done a lot of good stuff for the Village.

15. QUESTIONS & COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Resident on 46th and Maple stated that he is seeing rats that are in his neighbors yard and are coming from under their shed. He was told to contact Stickney Township.

Resident on 45th and Wisconsin reported that from 8am to 8pm there are cars going south bound over 20 miles an hour. When Harlem gets messed up it gets worse.

16. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Castanuela
Second: Nitka

17. ROLL CALL

VOICE VOTE: AYES: ALL NAYS: NONE Motion Carried.

18. ADJOURNMENT:

To adjourn at 7:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura D. McGuffey
Village Clerk