

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
August 25, 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 7:00 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Village 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, Hubacek, Nitka, Nevarez
Absent: NA

4. PRESENTATIONS - NA

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

That the minutes of the regular board meeting of August 11, 2026 to be approved as read:

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Grossi, Castanuela, Nitka, Nevarez, Sudkamp, Hubacek
Second: NA

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

6. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES

To approve the village payroll and accounts payable expenditures as of August 31, 2026:

1) Payroll - FT / PT / Officials	\$ 118,910.43
2) Bills Payable	\$ <u>307,664.20</u>
3) Total Expenditures:	\$ 426,574.63

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Castanuela
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

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

7. TREASURERS REPORT FOR JULY 2026:

1) Revenues:	\$ 511,614.23
2) Expenses:	\$ 755,487.85

Action Requested: None, information only.

8. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Item # 1 – Administrator Creer, Village Attorney Murphey, and Pete Iosue from Teska discuss with the board a proposal for a TIF district to facilitate redevelopment on MWRD land near the Chicago Sanitary Channel and Harlem Ave.

Action requested: Discussion only, Feedback whether to explore creating a TIF as a financial tool for redevelopment of this area.

9. APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL BUILDING PERMIT:

Agenda Item # 2 – Requesting a Commercial Building Permit to be issued to LRS Holdings, 6201 Canal Bank Drive to repair damaged beams and replace with steel beams, along the space of the roof decking. Replacement of metal decking and installing new iso, EPS and 60 mil roofing with coping cap. Permit will be issued pending FSCI approval.

Action Requested: Motion to approve Commercial Building Permit
Application to LRS Holdings. Permit will be issued pending FSCI approval.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
Second: Trustee Nitka

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

12. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Village Administrator Zachery Creer:

13. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Superintendent of Public Works Miller:

- Reported that IT is working on the server migration and Arctic Wolf deployment which are the final projects for upgrading the Village's network infrastructure and security.
- Reported that on Monday night 8/17 the main powerline to Village Hall shorted out under the parking lot . Com Ed came out to find the issue, once they saw that our generator was smoking, they brought their own generator trailer to hook the building up to keep the Police Department on line while they located and fixed the issue.
- After they hooked it up, they did so in reverse which caused multiple issues . The Public Works middle garage door ran in reverse and damaged the opener. The Main UPS battery in the network room was fried, and a fuse was blown in the elevator. He stated that he has submitted a claim form to Com Ed for the damages. Once all the repairs are made and the invoices are received, we will apply for reimbursement.
- Reported that IDOT is supposed to post the bid openings for the crack filling and catch basin cleaning this week.
- Reported that the generator grant is still under final review at FEMA .
- Waiting for the permit from Chicago to change the feed meters.
- Mentioned that there is a box in the foyer for residents to drop off American Flags that need to be disposed properly.

Police Chief Ritz:

- Reported in the meeting that Officer Maria Guzman received her certification for attending a 4-day child safety training class and stated that if any residents need assistance with car seats, they should call the office and schedule an appointment.
- Reported that his department is making plans for the Senior Safe Program that will be held upstairs in the Art Treckler Room from 11am to 3pm.

Fire Chief Stewart:

Reported that the Fire Department will hold a small ceremony in observance of September 11th . They will start at 7:40 am and hold a moment of silence at 7:46am. Flags will be lowered to half-staff. The Doors will open at 7:30pm.

14. REPORTS FROM VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

- Trustee Nitka inquired on the Art Treckler Room. Administrator Creer stated that he is looking for a DCEO grant.
- Discussed seasonal parking on Clinton Avenue by the Park.

15. REPORTS FROM THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT LISK:

- Reported that the village sent out a letter to Mount Auburn Cemetery regarding them cleaning up along the fence line.

16. REPORTS FROM FOREST VIEW VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE:

- Committee Secretary McGuffey reported that they have received over 11k in donations as of the meeting and thanked everyone for their donations.

17. PUBLIC COMMENT, ANNOUNCEMENTS OR QUESTIONS:

- Resident Tom Cichon asked about the shred event. Discussion ensued and it was reported that the village will be holding a Shredding Event on Saturday October 3rd and the village will be holding an Electronic E-Waste disposal event on Wednesday September 16th. Residents should put their electronic items in a box next to the curb separate from their garbage and recycling. LRS will pick the electronic items separately on garbage day. More details will be available in our village newsletter and on the Village of Forest View Facebook page.
- Resident Jim Devito reported that his home security camera captured footage of two individuals walking past his residence between approximately 2:00 and 3:00 a.m. The individuals were dressed in black clothing and carrying backpacks. Their behavior appeared suspicious, as they were observed walking close to a neighbor's yard. He reported this to his neighbor.
- Clerk McGuffey commented that starting today petitions may be circulated by independent candidates, and newly formed political parties for the April 6, 2027 election and reported that there will be three Village Trustees positions to be elected.

18. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:00 P.M.:

Motion: Trustee Hubacek
Second: Trustee Castanuela

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

21. ROLL CALL:

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING:

Agenda Item # 3 – To review with the board employee personnel matters, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/ (c) (1) of the Open Meetings Act.

Agenda Item # 4 – To review pending litigation, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/Section 2 (c) (11) of the Open Meeting Act.

22. MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:

Board returned to regular session at 8:42 P.M.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
Second: Trustee Grossi

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Grossi, Hubacek, Castanuela, Nitka, Nevarez
Motion Carried.

22. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS:

- None

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Trustee
Second: Trustee

14. ROLL CALL:

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

15. ADJOURMENT:

To adjourn at 8:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura D. McGuffey
Village Clerk