

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
March 24, 2026**

BOARD MEETING:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular board meeting of the Village of Forest View was called to order by Village President Miller at 7:00 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: Trustee Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Castanuela, Nitka
Absent: Trustee Hubacek, Nevarez

4. PRESENTATIONS

- President Liska gave a warm welcomed back to Trustee Liska

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 Nitka
Abstained: Trustee Hubacek

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Nitka, Nevarez, Grossi, Castaneula
No: None
Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES

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

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| 1) Payroll - FT / PT / Officials 03/15/26 | \$ 6,982.76 |
| 2) Payroll - FT / PT / Officials 03/31/26 | \$ 103,968.75 |
| 3) Bills Payable | <u>\$ 236,443.87</u> |
| 4) Total Expenditures: | \$ 347,395.38 |

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
Second: Trustee Hubacek

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Hubacek, Castanuela, Nitka, Nevarez, Grossi
No: None
Motion Carried.

7. TREASURERS REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2026:

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| 1) Revenues: | \$ 518,018.82 |
| 2) Expenses: | \$ 333,967.16 |

Action Requested: None, informational only.

8. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Item # 1 – President Liska is requesting the board approve Resolution No. R26-04 authorizing a Lease-Purchase agreement in connection with the purchase of Fire Equipment (Fouts FB-94 Custom Fire Pumper from Fire Service, Inc. for a term of 10 years.

Action requested: Motion to approve Resolution No. R26-04 authorizing a Lease-Purchase agreement in connection with the purchase of Fire Equipment (Fouts FB-94 Custom Fire Pumper from Fire Service, Inc. for a term of 10 years.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
Second: Trustee Castanuela

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Castanuela, Nitka, Nevarez, Grossi, Hubacek
No: None
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 2 – Village Clerk McGuffey is requesting the board approve Ordinance No. 26-08 authorizing the sale or disposal of surplus personal property owned by the Village. We are requesting to dispose of six (6) LaserJet hp85a Printer Cartridges that are no longer needed.

Action requested: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 26-08 authorizing the sale or disposal of six (6) LaserJet hp85a Printer Cartridges.

Motion: Trustee Nevarez
Second: Trustee Castanuela

Yes: Trustees Nevarez, Castanuela, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Nitka
No: None
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 3 – Superintendent of Public Works Miller is requesting the board approve Ordinance No. 26-05 a resolution with IDOT in order to perform work in IDOT Rows (right a ways) for 2026 and 2027.

Action requested: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 26-05 a resolution with IDOT in order to perform work in IDOT Rows (right a ways) for 2026 and 2027.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Hubacek

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

Agenda Item # 4 – Building Compliance and Consulting Specialist Kutt to discuss the Rodent /Insect Control proposals that he received from Awesome Pest Control at \$ 375.00 per month and no initial cost for bait stations or replacement costs for damaged boxes, Orkin at an initial one-time cost of \$1,242.00 and \$323.00 per month service fee that did not include the railroad easement from Oak Park to Maple and would include charges for bait boxes, and Chem-Wise Ecological Pest Management as a one-time cost of \$1,735.00 and \$655.00 per month service fee and a charge of \$25.00 for any additional bait boxes. He is recommending the board approves continuing our service with Awesome Pest Control at a monthly cost of \$375.00 as they have no set up cost nor charges for replacement boxes and have performed very well in serving Forest View.

Action requested: Motion to approve and continue our service with Awesome Pest Control at a monthly cost of \$375.00 as they have no set up cost nor charges for replacement boxes and have performed very well in serving Forest View.

Motion: Trustee Castanuela
Second: Trustee Grossi

Yes: Trustees Castanuela, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Nitka, Nevarez

No: None

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 5 – Police Chief Ritz is requesting the board approve the purchase of police department ammunition for firearms range training in the amount of \$3,100.00 that was already approved in the 2025 fiscal year budget for purchase.

Action requested: Motion to approve the purchase of police department ammunition for firearms range training in the amount of \$3,100.00.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp

Second: Trustee Nevarez

Yes: Trustees Sudkamp, Nevarez, Grossi, Hubacek, Castanuela, Nitka

No: None

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 6– Police Chief Ritz is requesting the board to approve the appointment of Police Officer Hector Chavez to a Full-time Police Officer.

Action requested: Motion to approve the appointment of Police Officer Hector Chavez to a Full-time Police Officer.

Motion: Trustee Nevarez

Second: Trustee Castaneula

Yes: Trustees Nevarez, Castanuela, Nitka, President Liska

No: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 7 – Letter from Deputy Chief Dudek notifying the board that Sean Buckley has resigned as a Part-time Firefighter/Paramedic with the Forest View Fire Department because of family obligations.

Action requested: None, information only.

9. NEW BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION:

Agenda Item # 8 – Letter from Office Manager Vogt on behalf of Mohammed Mohammed, owner of Utopian Logistics Systems, LLC who is requesting to operate a Freight business. He would like to rent 5,000 square feet at 5240 W. 47th Street for Warehouse space, holding dry freight for transport. He will have 3 - 4 trucks parked at the dock.

Action requested: Motion to approve a business license to Mohammed Mohammed owner of Utopian Logistics Systems, LLC.

Discussion ensued and the board requested that the building be inspected before approving the license.

Agenda item Tabled.

10. APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMIT:

NF26-07 John Herman, 4604 Maple Ave. Excavate basement floor down to existing kitchen line.

NF26-08 Julio Laureano, 4623 Maple Ave. Complete roof tear of on house and garage and install new shingles and gutters.

Action Requested: None, information only.

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS: NA

11. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

- Public Works Superintendent Miller:
 - Reported that almost 150 residents have signed up for Code Red and have another 20-30 forms that he needs to enter into the system.
 - Painted the new police investigation room.
 - Reported that he reorganized the Public Works storage closet to fit supplies that were stored in the new investigation room.
 - Replaced the reservoir vent and overflow screens at the pump house.
 - Completed Quarterly TTHM and HAAS Samples.
 - Attended a water tour at the Cascade Waterworks plant and learned about all different repair clamps and couplings for watermains, and how they are manufactured.
 - Received notice from IEPA that we are only required to do Lead and Copper samples once this year between June – September.
 - Called Pinner about street lights. They stated that they will be out this week and have been investigating the park lights as well.
 - Reported on the Fire department compressor.
 - After this agenda was submitted Air Comfort contacted him and they are attempting to get the manufacturer to honor the warranty that had expired in January. The one-year warranty was for the installation, and the two-year warranty was from the manufacturer.
 - Commented on an issued with the urinals in the police department.
 - Reported that Chicago meters will be calibrated and installed.
 - Meet with an IT company regarding the cameras

- Police Chief Ritz:

- Reported on the monthly Police reports
- Reported that his police officers did a traffic study for eleven hours on 45th and Wisconsin Avenue going Southbound . Almost 300 cars were going 25 mph, and 8 drivers were issued citations.
- Deputy Fire Chief Dudek was present.
 - Reported that Cinder is doing very well
 - Reported on the monthly fire report

12. REPORTS FROM VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

- Trustees discussed overnight parking, sidewalk safety issues and what is in the budget for a speed radar trailer.
- E- Bikes riding on sidewalks and speeding on 46th Street. Police Chief Ritz stated he will inform his officers .

13. REPORTS FROM THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT LISKA:

- Commented that Lyons Pinner fixed our street lights.
- Reported that he was attending a Mayors Caucus .
- Commented that the village is still waiting on tax money to come in from last fall.
- Mentioned that John Spatz will be attending a meeting on 6/17/26 with our engineers regarding a business that is interested in building in the village.
- The board will be holding a town hall meeting to discuss the water main and lead service lines and a McCook Water deal.

14. QUESTION, COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Resident on 45th and Wisconsin thanked the police department checking on the cars speeding on his block.

15. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:50 P.M.:

Motion: Trustee Trustee Grossi
 Second: Trustee Trustee Sudkamp
 Yes: Trustee Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Trustees Castanuela, Nitka, Nevarez,
 No: None
 Motion Carried.

16. MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AT 8:52 P.M.:

Motion: Trustee Nitka
 Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Nitka, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Castanuela, Nitka, Nevarez, Grossi,
No: None
Motion Carried:

17. MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion: Trustee Nitka
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

18. ROLL CALL;

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

19. ADJOURMENT:

To adjourn at 8:53 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura D. McGuffey
Village Clerk