

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
September 23, 2025**

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on a Resolution to submit to Referendum the question of a proposed Real Estate Transfer Tax for the Village of Forest View in an amount of \$3.00 per \$1,000.00 of purchase price, to be paid by the buyer of non-residential real estate transferred, will be held on September 23, 2025, at the Village of Forest View, 7000 West 46th Street, Forest View, Illinois. Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the Village may do so.

1.) Call to Order

The Public Hearing Meeting of the Village of Forest View was called to order by Village President Liska at 6:30 P.M.

2.) Presentation

President Liska discussed that the Public Hearing Notice for this meeting was published regarding a Resolution to submit to Referendum the Real Estate Transfer Tax for the Village of Forest View and our Village Attorney will prepare and send to Cook County a Referendum question proposing a Real Estate Transfer Tax for the Village of Forest View for commercial properties only that will be on the election ballot on March 17, 2026.

3.) Questions from the Audience

One resident asked if the village could emphasize to our residents that this referendum is pertaining to Commercial non-residential properties only?

4.) Adjournment

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
Second: Trustee Castaneula

Yes: Trustee Sudkamp, Castanuela, Nitka, Nevarez, Grossi, Hubacek
No: NA

Adjourned at 6:40 pm

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

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, Castaneula, Nitka, Nevarez
Absent: NA

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

That the minutes of the regular board meeting of September 9, 2025 to be approved as read:

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Castanuela
Second: Trustee Nitka

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

6. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES

To approve the village payroll and accounts payable expenditures as of September 30, 2025:

1) Payroll- FT / PT / Officials	\$ 112,902.84
2) Bills Payable	<u>\$ 212,963.38</u>
Total Expenditures:	\$ 325,866.22

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Castaneula
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

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

7. TREASURERS REPORT FOR AUGUST 2025:

1) Revenues:	\$ 419,940.42
2) Expenses:	\$ 565,642.90

Action Requested: None, informational only.

8. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Item # 1 - Letter from Administrator Wiak regarding the with the board if we should consider maintaining the barricade along 45th Street throughout the school year and is requesting the board to approve retaining or removing the existing barricade located at 45th Street.

Action requested: Motion was made to remove the existing to approve barricade located at 45th Street.

Trustee Hubacek stated that the barricade was an inconvenience for the residents to drive in and out of the village, a loss of business as Dunkin Donuts and the barricades were causing more traffic on Maple, Wisconsin, and Wenonah Avenues. Public Works researched installing a swing gate, but the cost was too expensive and would require drilling holes into the street.

Motion: Trustee Hubacek
Second: Trustee Castanuela

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

Agenda Item # 2 - Letter from Police Chief Zarate requesting the board consider the hiring Tony Mathew as a Part-Time Police Officer.

Action requested: Motion to approve appointing Tony Mathew as a Part-Time Police Officer.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

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

Agenda Item # 3 – Letter from Fire Chief Jones requesting the board consider appointing the following Metro Contract employees, Christopher Rezek, Joanna Munguia, Daniel Fleming, and James Thompson to a part time position with the Village of Forest View.

Action requested: Motion to approve appointing Christopher Rezek, Joanna Munguia, Daniel Fleming, and James Thompson to a part-time position with the Village of Forest View.

Motion: Trustee Hubacek
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Hubacek, Sudkamp, Castaneula, Nitka, Nevares, Grossi,
No: NA
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 4 – Letter from Fire Chief Jones requesting the board's approval to repair and install emergency lights, and radios in fire vehicles # 880 and # 881 in the amount not to exceed \$16,000.00 by Gencomm and ABC Automotive Electronics.

Action requested: Motion to authorize the Fire Chief to approve needed repairs in fire vehicles # 880 and # 881 in the amount not to exceed \$16,000.00 by Gencomm and ABC Automotive Electronics.

Motion: Trustee Hubacek
Second: Trustee Nitka

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

9. APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMIT:

Forest View Park District, 4621 Wenonah Ave. Removal of existing sign and installation of new sign in same location.

Action Requested: None, information only.

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Village Administrator Wiak:

- Reported that her and Joy met with an ICRMT representative who encouraged us to sign up for the Neo gov portal and stated that cybersecurity and sexual harassment training are required by the State for each staff member and elected official to take these courses.
- Provided a summary of the IML Conference that she attended.

11. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Public Works Superintendent Tanner:

- Reported on Meter Read System.
- Repaired transceiver that was received on Friday 09-19-25.

- Tech should be out next week to replace.
- Reported that most of last week his department was setting up for the picnic.
- The elevator inspection has been completed.
- Received 2nd round Lead Sample bottles and will pass out in October/November.
- Reported that on Monday Sept 8th, the hydrant on the dead-end of Oak Park Ave was hit by a truck turning around. Police caught them and made a report. We will be billing their insurance for the repairs needed.
- Riccio should be out this week to dig up and see how bad the damage is and determine if the hydrant can be repaired or need to be replaced.
- All work on our storm sewer outfall has been completed.

Police Chief Zarate :

- Reported on the Police Departments Monthly Statistical Report for August 2025.
Incidents Generated - Total Calls for Service – 1,494. Calls to Non-Emergency Calls – 0, Calls to 911 – 1, Generated by Officers – 292 Accident Crash Reports – 22, State Citations –94, Ordinance Citations – 500, Cannabis Citation - 23, Vehicle Stickers - 0, Warning Citations - 29, Arrests -25, Misdemeanors – 4 and Felonies – 0.

Fire Chief Jones :

- Reported on the Fire Department Activity report for the month of August 2025.
Received a total of 76 calls, including 31 EMS calls, 26 Fire calls, 15 motor vehicle accidents, and 3 Fire other calls for invalid assists / standby-fill ins.
- The Fire Department did 2 fire station tours and completed 440 hours of training.

12. Reports from Village Trustees:

- Trustee Hubacek asked about the speed bumps.
- Discussion ensued. Administrator Wiak stated that it is too expensive, they are 25k a piece.
- Tanner stated that when we removed the broken ones it damaged the street.
- It would be useless unless they go across both sides of the street. The bumps had to be replaced a lot, and it would be better to get a higher hump.
- Trustee Castanuela would like the humps.
- Trustee Grossi asked if we could get a grant.
- Administrator Wiak stated that with the DECO grant money, 100k is needed for the elevator, 200k for relining the sewers, and 17k to make the doors ADA compliant. We also need to have three bullet proof doors installed.

13. Reports from Village President:

- Reported that he attended the Mayors Caucus in Schaumburg on Monday.
- Commented that on Oct 2nd he will be meeting with McCook to discuss a water proposal along with the administrator, and our Engineer.
- Compost bags will be going out soon.

- Thanked everyone for attending the picnic and helping out and mentioned that that State Representative Ortiz was at the picnic. Reported that at the next meeting he will provide details from the village picnic.
- Asked everyone to bring their comments on what we did well and what we could have done better.
- Reported that he will be attending a Veterans Memorial Meeting on Wednesday.
- Reported that at the next meeting he will provide details from the village picnic.

14. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Resident Marge Hubacek thanked the board for the wonderful picnic in the park and stated that former president Rich Grenvich mentioned to her that he started the picnic in the park in 1990 and was happy that the board took it on and it worked out well. Mrs. Hubacek also asked why our Village President is being called Mayor when he was elected as President. Discussion ensued.
- Park District Activity Director thanked Fire Chief Jones for sponsoring the Senior Coffee at the fire house. She said that they really had fun and were impressed. She also mentioned to public works that the porta potties were still in the park.

21. ROLL CALL

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

22. ADJOURNMENT:

To adjourn at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura D. McGuffey
Village Clerk