

**MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00pm by Mayor Arlene C. Jezierny

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL –

Mayor	Arlene C. Jezierny
Clerk	Marcia L. Followy
Trustees	Eugene Brutto Annette Brzezniak-Volpe Anna Brzozowski-Wegrecki Zbigniew Lewandowski Lawrence Steiner Giuseppe Zerillo
Attorney	Mark Heinle

Also present: Deputy Chief Sam Palazzo
Accountant Mary Ventrella
Accountant Rob Romo

D. AGENDA ITEMS

Upcoming Dates

- Mayor Jezierny provided the board with a number of dates for upcoming events. She will provide the board with a memo listing the time and dates of these upcoming events.

Approval of the Committee of the Whole Minutes for the meeting held on September 4, 2025

Motion by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski on September 4, 2025 COW minutes:

- Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes for the meeting held on September 4, 2025.

On a voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried and the minutes of the September 4, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting were approved.

Presentation by Aging Care Connections – Executive Director

- Aging Care Connections presentation is cancelled until our January 5, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting due to illness of the Executive Director of Aging Care Connections.

Renew of the 2025 Tax Levy Ordinances

- Accountant Rob Romo reviewed the Tax Levy Ordinance and the Abatement Ordinances in detail noting that the increase on the tax levy relates to an increase in pension costs.
- Accountant Romo commented on the Municipal Compliance Report for the Police Pension Fund stating that every a private actuary that completes this report and they give us a recommended contribution to levy property taxes in order to fund the pension for the current year. With that being said, they are asking for 1.77m this year; due to the State Law that by 2040 we need to have our pensions at a minimum of 90%.
- Rob reviewed the Abatement Ordinances on the 2017 and 2021 General Obligation Bonds.

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Other Items of Discussion

- Mayor Jezierny stated that Attorney Heinle is preparing an IEPA Ordinance for our watermain projects on Foster Avenue and Forest Preserve Drive which will be on our November 13, 2025 Consent Agenda for board approval.
- We will also have a Resolution and an Intergovernmental Agreement Amendment for the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission that will also be on the November 13, 2025 Consent Agenda for board approval.
- Mayor Jezierny also passed out a report on Cannabis sales for 2024 & 2025 and what the village received as a portion of the sales.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

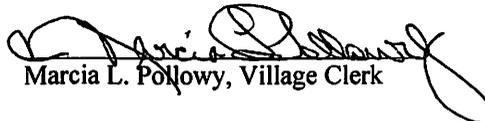
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to enter into Executive Session: pursuant to (5 ILCS 120/2) Sec.2. Open meetings © Exceptions. A public body may hold closed meetings to consider the following subjects:

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Brutto, seconded by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe to adjourn. On a voice vote, all present being in favor, the motion carried and the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Harwood Heights was adjourned by Mayor Arlene Jezierny on Thursday, November 6, 2025 at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Marcia L. Polowy, Village Clerk