

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS  
HELD ON THURSDAY APRIL 23, 2026**

**A. CALL TO ORDER** at 7:30 pm by Mayor Jezierny

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**C. ROLL CALL**

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

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**E. REPORTS OF MAYOR, TRUSTEES, CLERK AND ATTORNEY**

**Mayor's Report**

Tonight's agenda is packed with a number of necessary operational expenses for next fiscal year's budget as well as some to finish this fiscal year.

Expenses such as repairs to wireless cameras, value replacements, sweeper repairs, cyber security for water, data back-up renewal, GIS contract renewal, and routine bills are all essential government expenses.

The fiscal year's budget is on the agenda after discussions with Department Heads, Village Board and Public Hearing.

Baseball Season is here. This Sunday we will participate in a parade for Norridge Park supporting the little league participants.

Also in participation of Kindness Day, which is Saturday, April 25th, the Village is collecting goods for the Salvation Army such as diapers, baby bottles, blankets, etc. The last day to collect is Monday April 27th, we will then deliver the collections to the Salvation Army. Kindness Day is a local annual initiative to spread kindness to one another to make the world a better place. Visiting family or neighbors, making a phone call or lending a helping hand where needed are all great acts of kindness on this day and throughout the year.

There is also a Resolution referencing support of Municipal Housing Authority not the State mandated changes in land use. There is a short film by Mayor Sherwin of Northlake that opposes over-intensified use of land which I would like to show the Board members and guests.

(Board viewed the video presentation by Mayor Sherwin of Northlake) Mayor Jezierny encouraged the trustees to call our State Representatives that we are against their proposed bills.

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**Finance**

**Trustee Brutto**

As the Mayor mentioned, there are 2 items on the agenda tonight, the 2026/2027 Appropriation Ordinance and the Amended Ordinance for the 2025/2026 Budget Amendments. Also, union negotiations are ongoing, we have a meeting tomorrow morning with the Police Union and on May 15th for Public Works.

**Ordinance & License**

**Trustee Steiner**

**No Report**

**Police/Public Safety**

**Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe**

**No Report**

**Public Works/Public Health**

**Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki**

**No Report - Absent**

**Building**

**Trustee Zerillo**

**No Report**

**Forestry & Green Initiative**

**Trustee Lewandowski**

As I mentioned at our last meeting we are moving away from the Morton Arboretum and the Chicago Tree Initiative and we are going to manage our own Tree Planting Program, so this coming Monday April 27th I along with Public Works Superintendent Ron Maslo will be meeting with R. W. Hendricksen to discuss and hopefully negotiate a tree program and hope we are going to implement the future program. I will keep you posted on the outcome of our meeting.

**Clerk's Report**

**No Report**

**Attorney Mark Heinle**

If any of the board members want to reach out with questions regarding any of the proposed state bills, please don't hesitate to contact our firm.

In anticipation of your first Committee of the Whole meeting in May the board will consider in house adjudication for moving violations, so I am working on an ordinance that we can discuss.

**Mayor Jezierny:** Can we also get an ordinance pertaining to if someone is selling their house, they need to change their lead pipe connections from lead to copper?

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**Chief John DeVries**

Stated that a lot of video gaming places are getting hit and they are getting hit hard. Last night, 5 stores got broken into at 5 o'clock in the morning in the shopping plaza on Lawrence at Cumberland; none of the stores had alarms on. The thieves came out with sledgehammers, broke a bunch of stuff up. Elmwood Park got hit just the day before, they did \$490,000 worth of damage and got away with \$200,000 in cash. So, these things are happening, attacks every night. The problem with the police is, every time we get there and they get into a car and take off and drive erratically in traffic and we can't chase them. I just want these owners that have video gaming to understand they either have to start protecting themselves, put up gates which makes it harder for the thieves to break in. Please: Business owners be observant, and if they need to come in and speak to us, we will be more than glad to sit down and give them some advice.

**Deputy Chief Sam Palazzo**

As the weather is warming up we are getting really pro-active on the motor driven scooter ordinance that we have in place, so for the record, that ordinance is 10.56.075. We visited all the elementary schools in the area, it is also on our Facebook page. It's restricted in Harwood Heights and restricted in Norridge Park, so we are doing our best to educate the community on it.

On the 5th of May there will be a "Tip a Cop" event at Red Robin in Norridge, 12:00pm to 4:00pm; on May 15th "Cop on a Rooftop" event at the Dunkin Donuts on Lawrence Avenue from 5:00am to noon. Also, on Monday, June 22nd is our FOP Golf Outing.

**F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

None

**G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe – MCD Update:** Our next board meeting is May 12, 2026.

**Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki/Zerillo – WSSRA Update:** Our next board meeting is May 12, 2026.

**Trustee Steiner – Norridge/Harwood Heights Chamber of Commerce:** Our next meeting is June 9, 2026 at 11:00am at Zabaadi Kebabs in Norridge.

**Trustee Zerillo – O'Hare Technical Committee:** Next meeting is May 19, 2026.

**H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/HIRES**

None

**I. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski on Consent Agenda items I 1–29:**  
**Trustee Zerillo pulled Consent Agenda item I 22 for a separate vote.**

**Motion by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski on Consent Agenda items I 1–21 & I 23 - 29:**

1. To approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held April 9, 2026.
2. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$1,172.90**, payable to Builders Asphalt for cold patch for Public Works street patching projects expensed to FY 25/26 line item 44-00-7032.00 – MFT Fund.

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3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$1,795.00**, payable to Underground Pipe & Valve, Co. for an 8" FLG RW Valve for Public Works expensed to FY 25/26 line item 22-00-6014.00 – Water & Sewer Fund.
4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$9,155.95**, payable to Utility Service Co., Inc. for quarterly payment for the Water Tower Rehabilitation project expensed to FY 25/26 line item 22-00-9555.02 – Water & Sewer Fund.
5. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$23,421.27**, payable to Standard Equipment for repairs on the 2027 Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper expensed to FY 25/26 line items 11-06-7038.00 - \$5,855.32 & 11-06-7044.00 - \$5,855.32 – Public Works and 22-00-7038.00 - \$5,855.32 & 22-00-7044.00 – 5,855.31 – Water & Sewer Fund.
6. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$1,690.00**, payable to ESRI (Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc.) for the ArcGIS Online Creator/Viewer Annual Subscription 5-24-26 to 5-23-27 expensed to FY 26/27 line item 22-00-7076.00 – Water & Sewer Fund.
7. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$57,157.75**, payable to Inter-Pacific, Inc. to replace outdoor wire-less access network for the police cameras expensed to FY 26/27 line item 12-00-8536.00 – Capital Project Fund.
8. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$25,241.37**, payable to Inter-Pacific, Inc. for the HAN-WAH for the programming and installation of a recording server for Public Works and the Police Department expensed to FY 26/27 line item 12-00-8536.00 – Capital Project Fund.
9. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$1,200.00**, payable to SmartSights for tech support for the Scada Alarm expensed to FY 26/27 line item 22-00-7051.02 – Water & Sewer Fund.
10. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$17,500.00**, payable to Automatic Control Services for Scada Programming and Maintenance, IT Services and Cyber Security expensed to FY 26/27 line item 22-00-7051.02 – Water & Sewer Fund.
11. To approve the GIS Consortium Service Provider Contract for a fee not to exceed **\$20,184.00** expensed to FY 26/27 line item 22-00-7076.00 – Water & Sewer Fund and to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.
12. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$2,408.00**, payable to John DeVries for reimbursement for repairs on squad #498 expensed to FY 25/26 line item 11-05-7044.00 – Police.
13. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$137,973.50**, payable to Municipal Consolidated Dispatch for installment payment 4 of 4 expensed to FY 25/26 line item 11-05-9527.01 – Police.
14. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$3,172.07**, payable to Iner-Pacific, Inc. to replace fixed dome and PTZ camera on pole at Heights Bar expensed to FY 26/27 line item 11-05-8600.00 – Police.
15. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$16,000.00**, payable to Sustainable Contracting Solutions, Inc. to install new LED strip fixtures in areas mentioned on the invoice expensed to FY 25/26 line item 12-00-8510.01 – Capital Project Fund.
16. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$17,208.00**, payable to NobleTec for 1-yr renewal of the Barracuda Backup Server and Firewall 6-13-26 to 6-12-27 expensed to FY 26/27 line item 11-14-9510.00 – Village Properties.
17. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$5,396.25**, payable to Ancel Glink P.C. for billing through March 31, 2026 expensed to FY 25/26 line item 11-02-7051.00 – Legal.
18. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **\$525.00**, payable to the Chicago Society PNA for the board's attendance to the Pre-Parade Brunch prior to the Polish Constitution Day Parade on Saturday, May 2, 2026 expensed to FY 25/26 line item 11-01-7025.00 – General Administration.
19. To approve expenditure, not to exceed **1,500.00**, payable to Alliance of Polish Clubs for the board's attendance to the May 2, 2026 Parade Banquet at the Jolly Inn expensed to FY 25/26 line item 11-01-7040.00 – General Administration.

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20. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$30,000.00, payable to the Village of Norridge for contribution and participation in the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration of America expensed to FY 25/26 line item 11-08-7052.02 – Recreation.
21. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$6,099.67, payable to Third Millennium Associates, Inc. for the programming & system set-up for the 2026/2027 Vehicle Sticker Application Mailing expensed to FY 25/26 line item 11-03-9540.00 – Finance.
23. To approve the **removal of Handicap Parking Sign #04-27** at the address commonly known as **4304 N. New England** and to direct Public Works to **remove** the sign in a timely manner. (Resident passed away).
24. To Adopt **Ordinance 26-02**, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 25-07; Be it Ordained by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the village of Harwood Heights, Cook County, Illinois, Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Amendments.
25. To Adopt **Ordinance 26-03**, The 2026-2027 Appropriation Ordinance for the Village of Harwood Heights, Cook County, Illinois.
26. To Adopt **Resolution 26-04**, A Resolution of the Village of Harwood Heights in Support of Municipal Housing Authority.
27. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$265,581.77 as they appear on the April 23, 2026 check register #77065 thru #77115.
28. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the estimated amount of \$200,000.00 to Parkway Bank Payroll Account. (April 30, 2026).
29. Electronic Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$326,860.66 as they appear on the EFT Register thru April 21, 2026.

**A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 1 – 21 & I 23 - 29 resulted as follows:**

**A YES: Trustee Brutto, Steiner, Brzezniak-Volpe, Zerillo, Lewandowski**

**NAYS:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**ABSENT: Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki                      Motion Carried**

**ITEM PULLED FOR A SEPARATE VOTE**

**Motion by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe, seconded by Trustee Brutto on Consent Agenda item I 22:**

22. To approve a **Block Party** to be held on **Saturday, July 25, 2026** for the **5000 block of Octavia** with permission to block the street from 10am to 10pm and to direct Public Works to clean the street and also provide barricades as well as orange cones for use that day.

**A roll call vote on Consent Agenda item I 22 resulted as follows:**

**A YES: Trustee Brutto, Steiner, Brzezniak-Volpe, Lewandowski**

**NAYS:**

**ABSTAIN: Trustee Zerillo**

**ABSENT: Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki                      Motion Carried**

**J.        NEW BUSINESS**

**None**

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**K. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**L. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**M. TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

None

**N. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

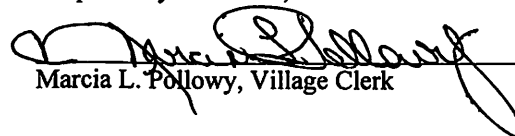
**O. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**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:

**P. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe, seconded by Trustee Steiner to adjourn. On a voice vote, all being in favor (Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki – Absent), the motion carried and the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Harwood Heights was adjourned by Mayor Arlene Jezierny, on Thursday, April 23, 2026 at 7:49pm.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Marcia L. Pollowy, Village Clerk