

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
HELD ON THURSDAY JULY 9, 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. Followy
Trustees	Eugene Brutto Annette Brzezniak-Volpe Anna Brzozowski-Wegrecki Zbigniew Lewandowski Lawrence Steiner Giuseppe Zerillo
Attorney	Margaret Kostopoulos

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dave Bendl, 5107 N. Oconto Ave: Stated that he lives around the corner of Oconto and Carmen. The strip mall behind him has 2 restaurants, Barrel House and Sarpino's Pizza and across Carmen is Taco Bell. Stated that Sarpino's trash container's lid is often left open which in turn attracts rats. Also stated that even though there's a no entry sign at the alley because Carmen is a one-way street going east that a number of cars proceed down the street going the wrong way. Also, the streetlight behind Barrel House is missing the cover under the bulb.

Mayor Jezierny stated she will have Public Works monitor the garbage can situation and check on the missing cover on the streetlight. Chief DeVries also stated that he will have his officers on the mid-night shift monitor the Sarpino's trash dumpster and the wrong way drivers.

E. REPORTS OF MAYOR, TRUSTEES, CLERK AND ATTORNEY

Mayor's Report

Tonight's agenda includes paying regular operating village invoices including Clark Mosquito spraying in June.

I was just notified by the headmaster of Taekwondo School here in Harwood Heights that one of our residents won a silver medal in the prestigious 2026 World Taekwondo Grand Prix that was held in Rome, Italy representing Team USA. We will invite him and his family to our future Board Meeting. Also several athletes from this facility represent the USA national team in an international tournament to take place in South Korea from July 14th – 22nd, 2026. Let wish them good luck! And you thought Soccer was amazing.

The Youth Commission is looking for a coach or Referee for their basketball season. If interested, please call the Village Hall.

This weekend Norridge Park District is hosting The "Island in the City festivities with food, drink, carnival and entertainment beginning today, Thursday, July 9th - Sunday July 12th. Norridge Park identified Sunday as "Family Day" and we invite all families to join the Mayor and our Board of Trustees to the "Island in the City" with remarks at 4:15 pm.

The Harwood Heights is hosting a Carnival at St. Rosalies from July 30 – August 2nd.

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And, Harwood Heights and Norridge are joining together to host the “250 American Celebration” from August 20th-23rd located at Montrose and Ozanam.

Enjoy the Summer but with the hot weather do NOT leave Kids or Pets in cars even if it’s for just a couple of minutes. Be safe!

Finance

Trustee Brutto

The Insurance Committee is continuing to meet and work on options available to lower the insurance costs. Our next meeting will be this coming Monday at 1:00pm.

Ordinance & License

Trustee Steiner

No Report

Police/Public Safety

Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe

No Report

Public Works/Public Health

Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki

No Report

Building

Trustee Zerillo

No Report

Forestry & Green Initiative

Trustee Lewandowski

Robert Hendricksen was planting trees today which adds 9 trees to our overall count.

Clerk’s Report

No Report

Attorney Margaret Kostopoulos

No Report

Chief John DeVries

The Deputy Chief and I met with a representative from the Norridge Police regarding the parade route on Saturday, August 22nd and we need a couple of volunteer route coordinators to help with the walkers in the parade.

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F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None

G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe – MCD Update: Next meeting Tuesday, July 14, 2026.

Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki/Zerillo – WSSRA Update: Next meeting Tuesday, July 14, 2026.

Trustee Steiner – Norridge/Harwood Heights Chamber of Commerce: We are off for the Summer so our next meeting will be in September 8th, a lunch meeting at Las Palmas.

Trustee Zerillo – O'Hare Technical Committee: Next meeting September 22, 2026.

H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/HIRES

None

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe, seconded by Trustee Brutto on Consent Agenda items I 1–12:

1. To approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held June 25, 2026.
2. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,609.23, payable to Al Warren Oil Co., Inc for the purchase of diesel fuel for the Public Works vehicles ordered in the month of June 2026 expensed to FY 26/27 line item 22-00-6005.00 – Water & Sewer Fund.
3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$3,165.00, payable to Clarke Environmental Mosquito Mgmt. for the spraying on 6-30-26 expensed to FY 26/27 line item 11-09-7061.03 – Health.
4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$2,462.00, payable to Clarke Environmental Mosquito Mgmt. for the application of sewer pellets in catch basins on 6-22-26 expensed to FY 26/27 line item 11-09-7061.03 – Health.
5. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,000.00, payable to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for the FY 2027 (Stormwater (MS4)) Annual NPDES Bill expensed to FY 26/27 line item 22-00-7057.00 - Water & Sewer Fund.
6. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$3,900.00, payable to Ray O'Herron for body armor and carriers expensed to FY 26/27 line item 11-05-7060.01 – Police.
7. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$200.00, payable to Christine Napolitano for arts and crafts supplies for the Arts & Crafts Program expensed to FY 26/27 line item 11-08-7039.04 – Recreation.
8. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$300.00, payable to School Health for the purchase of 10 soccer balls expensed to FY 26/27 line item 11-08-7036.04 – Recreation.
9. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,250.00, payable to Butera Market for refund for the current liquor license expensed to FY 26/27 line item 11-00-4307.00 – Revenue Account.
10. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$246,584.61 as they appear on the July 9, 2026 check register #77341 thru #77395.

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11. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the estimated amount of \$190,000.00 to Parkway Bank Payroll Account. (July 15, 2026).
12. Electronic transfer from Parkway General Savings Account on the amount of \$16,118.70 for May 2026 IMRF Pension Fund.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 1 – 12 resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

J. NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Jezierny: The Youth Commission is asking for a possible increase in their monthly pay due to an increase of youth activities. Norridge Park is having a “Super Heros Day” on Thursday, July 23rd at 10:00am if any of the board members can attend. Received an anonymous letter regarding the music level from the Landmark Bar.

K. OLD BUSINESS

None

L. CORRESPONDENCE

None

M. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Steiner: Commented on e-bikes and if the Police Department is able to impound them.

Chief DeVries: Related an incident he encountered where the e-bikes were confiscated and the parents were called into the station to pickup their sons.

N. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

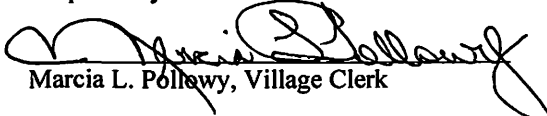
O. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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, 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, July 9, 2026 at 8:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Marcia L. Polowy, Village Clerk