

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
HELD ON THURSDAY AUGUST 22, 2024**

A. CALL TO ORDER at 7:35 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 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 includes:

- Village's safety costs to the Chicago Metropolitan Fire Prevention Company for inspections and testing of safety systems.
 - Sponsorship banner for Ridgewood's Rebels Football team
 - Municipal Conference Dinner and Ad for next month
- And, Ordinance 24-09 establishing new changes in fees, fines and penalties and other regulatory measures; however we are not completely done with the process so we will be pulling that ordinance for further review.

There are a number of events coming up where Trustees are given a listing of dates and coming events. Among them are:

- Ribbon cutting for Green Rose on August 31st at 11:30 am.
- Battle of the Badges on Sept 7th at Norridge Park beginning at 1:00 pm.
- Car Show scheduled for September 15th at 9:00am - 2:00 pm.
- Village Wide Garage Sale – Sept 20th-22nd.
- Craft Fair – Oct 5th & 6th.
- Senior Assistance Fall Festival on Oct 20th at our Recreation Center
- And, the swearing in of our new Deputy Chief and Sergeant at our Board meeting of Sept 12th at 7:30. All are invited to attend.

Project Updates:

"O" Streets

Work continues on all streets where applicable. Contractors are preparing street with grading for binder and finally paving. There will also be grading and paving on the bordering streets of Argyle, Carmen and Ainslie. Dirt and sod will then be place at all areas were previously dug up.

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Ainslie

For the 7400 and 7500 blocks of Ainslie, we continue to await IDOT's approval of the plans and the Environmental testing. This project could be a Fall project or Spring of 2025

Montrose Alley

Work on the Montrose Alley includes grading and paving soon to come, and I understand that they will be paving it tomorrow.

Finance

Trustee Brutto

The staff is working on the July financials and the first quarter financials should be distributed in next couple of weeks.

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

Again this year we have plans to plant additional trees this Fall. I got in touch with the Morton Arboretum who will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary with many trees being donated to them by many nurseries, so I am working with the Mayor who posted in her monthly newsletter if residents are interested. So far, we have planted 105 trees. We will wait another few weeks to see who's interested and I will then reach out to the Morton Arboretum and hopefully we can do this again this coming Fall.

Mayor Jezierny: Trustee Lewandowski can you remind me and I'll do a robo call in about a week.

Clerk's Report

No Report

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The Mayor mentioned Ordinance 24-09, this is the comprehensive fee update ordinance which is 81 pages long and counting right now. All of the elements of your fees that are changing are already listed. There is still some cleanup work to be done to codify some of you many fees that aren't changing right now but need to be ported over from their individual sections. In the 81 pages that are done so far, you've got the entire text is up-to-date and you've got a portion of the fee schedule that reflexes thing that have changed. So as the Mayor indicated the ordinance will be further reviewed prior to the next meeting.

Mayor Jezierny: Joe, maybe you can schedule a meeting once the ordinance is done to proof it and compare what your committee did to make sure that we're all in sync.

Chief John DeVries

Commented on the DNC Convention that is being held in Chicago this week and the Chicago Police having their hands full with controlling the rioters. Knock on wood, around here it's been really nice and quiet. Commander Lymberis has switched his hours so he could work the night shift as the Command Officer and we have a couple of other people that are on standby if something happens and we had an Officer stationed in Rosemont for a couple of days if we needed to be called on. Everything has been status quo except for last night and the night before with 60 arrests and they had it pretty much contained to that section of streets.

I'm looking forward to our next meeting with the promotions of Sergeant Sam Palazzo and officer Nick Palazzo.

Sergeant Palazzo: Commented that today Officer Chavez's, who is our most recent hire, it was his last day on FPO so starting Monday he will be on his own. We have nobody left in the Training Program so everyone is on their own starting on Monday.

F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None

G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe – MCD Update: Next meeting is September 10th.

Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki/Zerillo – WSSRA Update: Next meeting is September 10th here at our Recreation Center.

Trustee Steiner – Norridge/Harwood Heights Chamber of Commerce: Chamber reconvenes on Tuesday, September 10th, 11:30 am with lunch at Las Palmas.

Trustee Zerillo – O'Hare Technical Committee: Next meeting is Sept. 17th.

H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/HIRES

None

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Jezierny pulled Consent Agenda item I 10 for further review.

Motion by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe, seconded by Trustee Steiner on Consent Agenda items I 1-9 & I 11-14:

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1. To approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting held August 8, 2024.
2. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$3,300.00, payable to AI Air Inc. for repairs to the air conditioner condenser for the Community Room Unit # 2 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-14-8505.02 – Village Properties.
3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,375.00, payable to Chicago Metropolitan Fire Prevention Company (CMFP) to inspect and test various life safety systems as required by the Village of Harwood Heights expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-14-7051.02 – Village Properties.
4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$5,537.00, payable to Ancel Glink P.C. for billing through July 31, 2024 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-02-7051.00 – Legal.
5. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$500.00, payable to Ridgewood High School for Sponsorship Banner in Support of the Ridgewood Rebels Football Team expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-01-7040.00 – Administration.
6. Motion to approve an expenditure of \$1,130.00 to the West Central Municipal Conference for the Board attendance and village ad for their Annual Dinner Meeting on Friday, September 27, 2024 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-01-7025.00 – Administration.
7. To approve Handicap Parking Sign #03-18 at the address commonly known as 4620 N. Newland and to direct Public Works to install the sign in a timely manner.
8. To approve Handicap Parking Sign #03-17 at the address commonly known as 4424 N. New England and to direct Public Works to install the sign in a timely manner.
9. Motion to allow alcohol consumption for a “Senior Assistance Center Fall Festival Fundraiser” event to be held on Sunday, October 20, 2024 in the Village Recreation Center from 1:00pm to 3:00pm.
11. To Adopt Resolution 24-06, A Resolution Approving the Content of Certain Executive Session Minutes, Authorizing the Release and Continued Retention, Respectively, of Certain Executive Session Minutes and Authorizing the Destruction of Verbatim Recordings of Certain Village Board Executive Sessions.
12. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$954,626.16 as they appear on the August 22, 2024 check register #74650 thru #74710.
13. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the estimated amount of \$170,000.00 to Parkway Bank Payroll Account. (August 23, 2024).
14. Electronic Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$211,686.10 as they appear on the EFT Register thru August 20, 2024.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 1 – 9 & I 11 - 14 resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

ITEM PULLED FOR FUTHER REVIEW

10. To Adopt Ordinance 24-09, An Ordinance Establishing Fees, Changes, Fines, Penalties and Other Regulatory Measures.

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J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. OLD BUSINESS

None

L. CORRESPONDENCE

None

M. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None

N. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

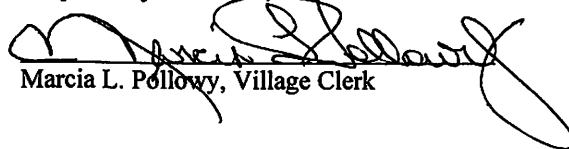
O. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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, 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, August 22, 2024 at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Marcia L. Pollowy, Village Clerk