

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
HELD ON THURSDAY AUGUST 24, 2023**

The next event is ours Craft Show on September 30th – October 1st at the Village’s Recreation Center. Hours on Sat 10am – 4pm and Sunday 10am – 3pm.

We look forward to the opening of Steinhafels furniture store which is targeting for a “Ribbon Cutting” ceremony on August 31st for their “Grand Opening.” We look forward to welcoming Steinhafels to Harwood Heights.

Exotic Snacks will soon be opening. We await their official date.

Finance
Trustee Brutto

No Report

Ordinance & License
Trustee Steiner

No Report

Police/Public Safety
Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe

I just want to add to the “Health Fair” coming on September 13th that SMART911 will also be present to help residents register for SMART911. Also they will be at tomorrow’s Harwood Heights’ senior monthly meeting to help residents starting at 10:00am. Also, printed forms will be available where info can be entered at a later date.

Thanked the Harwood Heights Police Department, Public Works and the Fest Committee for a great fest.

Public Works/Public Health
Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki

Thanked the Harwood Heights Police Department, Public Works, Fest Committee and volunteers for a great/spectacular fest.

Building
Trustee Zerillo

Thanked the Harwood Heights Police Department, Public Works and the Fest Committee for a great fest. Thanked the Harwood Heights Building Department who was out there inspecting the rides and the food vendors insuring everything was okay especially our Health Inspectors who was out there all weekend.

Forestry & Green Initiative
Trustee Lewandowski

I’m staying in touch with the Morton Arboretum looking for future potential grants to plant additional trees in our village.

Thanked the Harwood Heights Police Department, Public Works, the Fest Committee and the staff and volunteers for a great fest.

Clerk’s Report

Tomorrow the school supplies that we collected will be taken over to the Salvation Army; if anyone has additional supplies you can drop them off tomorrow morning.

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Attorney Margaret Kostopulos

No Report

Chief John DeVries

Stated that the gypsies are back in force scamming in our village offering asphalt/concrete work so be careful and don't open your doors to strangers ringing your doorbells. One of our residents was just scammed for a new driveway at a cost of \$7,500, fortunately they did not go to the bank for the money and we have a warrant out for their arrest. If something doesn't seem right, don't do it.

Regarding the Fest, my hats off to you Mayor! Because I know how much time it takes to prepare for this type of event. It was a great fest and we all had a good time. Unfortunately there was a lot of other things going on at the same time, the Air & Water Show downtown, a lot of people were down there, Mother Nature and the humid, humid heat to slow us all down drastically, but shame, shame on our residents. I grew up in this town and I didn't see a lot of our residents there and they should have been out there to support us like we do with them. So I'm asking all the residents that understand and hear me, please come out to our fest when we have them.

I'm doing a Crime Seminar on September 13th for the seniors at the Health Fair from 10am to 11am.

F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe: Added to Chief DeVries comments regarding scams; I've been called 5 times from someone claiming to be from Xfinity/Comcast they want you to get your computer out and log in to your computer so they can get all of your computer access on the guise that their updating your computer to the current standards; that your router did not work. So if you get that call, just hang up on them.

G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe – MCD Update: Next meeting is September 12th.

Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki/Zerillo – WSSRA Update: Next meeting is September 12th. There will be a John Lannefeld Memorial Bocce Ball Tournament on September 9th starting at noon at the Village of Elmwood Park's Community Recreation Center. They are looking for teams, so if you are interested it's \$200 for a team of four.

Trustee Steiner – Norridge/Harwood Heights Chamber of Commerce: The next network meeting will be on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 from 11:30am to 1:00pm at Las Palmas; outside, weather permitting.

Trustee Zerillo – O'Hare Technical Committee: No meeting since my last report. I do have a meeting next Thursday for the new Reports Committee that I have been assigned to; so I'll report back after that meeting.

H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/HIRES

None

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I. CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion by Trustee Lewandowski, seconded by Trustee Brutto on Consent Agenda items I 1–19:
Clerk Pollowy amended Consent Agenda item I 16 – The table cost for the Ridgewood Hall of Fame Brunch
is \$350.00 not \$250.00.**

Motion by Trustee Lewandowski, seconded by Trustee Brutto on Consent Agenda items I 1–19 as amended:

1. To approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting held August 9, 2023.
2. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$2,882.60, payable to David Torres Trucking Co. for dump fees on 8-4 & 8-14-23 expensed to FY 23/24 line item 22-00-7056.00 – Water & Sewer Fund.
3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$8,140.30, payable to Santander Leasing LLC for “FINAL” payment on the new street sweeper expensed to FY 23/24 line item 11-12-7097.00 -\$8,083.93 & 11-12-7096.00 - \$56.37 – Capital Projects Fund.
4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$1,098.00, payable to Republic Services for dump fees expensed to FY 23/24 line item 11-06-7056.00 – Public Works.
5. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$373,400.00, payable to Christopher B. Burke for Construction, Design & Construction Management of a Standby Generator at the Main Pump Station expensed to FY 23/24 line item 22-00-8600.00 – Water & Sewer Fund.
6. To approve the Village Hall Building Improvement Project in awarding the bid for Tuckpointing/Painting to JSL Building Restoration Group in the amount of \$106,250.00 including repair of the dryvit column.
7. To approve an additional cost of \$65,000.00, payable to Grace Infrastructure Co, for the added charge for EFCO System and Blind Panels for the Window replacements for the Village Hall Building Improvements.
8. To approve the DACRA Municipal Enforcement System for a fee for Year 1 – Execution to April 30, 2024 - \$1,200.00 a month, Year 2 – May 1, 2024 – April 30, 2025 - \$1,500.00 a month & Year 3 – May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026 - \$2,000.00 a month.
9. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$5,800.00, payable to MaRous & Company for appraisal reports for 4740 N. Harlem, Vacant Parcel – Southwest Corner of Harlem and Lawrence Avenue and Parking Lot – West of the Southwest Corner of Harlem and Lawrence Avenue.
10. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$4,649.08, payable to Current Technologies for the annual renewal of the Email Protection Cloud Archiving Service October 10, 2023 to October 9, 2024 expensed to FY 23/24 line item 11-14-9510.00 – Village Properties.
11. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$3,292.17, payable to Current Technologies for the annual renewal of the Dell EqualLogic & Dell PowerEdge R620 Upgrades & Extensions October 20, 2023 to October 19, 2024 expensed to FY 23/24 line item 11-14-9508.00 – Village Properties.
12. Motion to approve a current Demolition Fee of \$1.50 a square foot for Residential Properties and \$2.00 a square foot for Commercial Properties.
13. Motion to approve a current Building Fee of \$1.25 a square foot for Residential Properties and \$1.50 a square foot for Commercial Properties.
14. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$10,508.37, payable to Ancel Glink P.C. for billing through July 31, 2023 expensed to FY 23/24 line item 11-02-7051.00 – Legal.
15. 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 23/24 line item 11-01-7040.00 – Administration.

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16. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$350.00, payable to Ridgewood High School for a table for the Eighteenth Annual Alumni Hall of Fame Brunch on Saturday, September 9, 2023 expensed to FY 23/24 line item 11-01-7040.00 – Administration.
17. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$124,236.56 as they appear on the August 22, 2023 check register #73122 thru #73192.
18. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the estimated amount of \$160,000.00 to Parkway Bank Payroll Account. (August 25, 2023).
19. Electronic Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$327,502.69 as they appear on the EFT Register thru August 22, 2023.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 1-15 as amended resulted as follows:

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

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Motion Carried

J. NEW BUSINESS

None

K. OLD BUSINESS

None

L. CORRESPONDENCE

None

M. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None

N. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

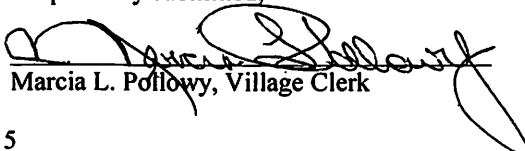
O. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 Steiner, seconded by Trustee Brutto 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 24, 2023 at 7:48pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Marcia L. Pollowy, Village Clerk