

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
HELD ON THURSDAY OCTOBER 10, 2024**

A. CALL TO ORDER at 7:33 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

Ainslie

For the 7400 and 7500 blocks of Ainslie, We still await the MFT approvals from IDOT and will make the determination when we will go out to bid and what timeframe the contractor suggests to performs the work. It appears to be in the Spring of next year.

The funding for the "O" Streets will also include 4 additional half-streets on the 7600 blocks of Strong, Norridge, Ainslie and Gunnison. The grading will take place this Saturday morning at 7:00am. This will be partnered with the contractor who is doing work on the 7600 blocks on the Norridge side so all will be done at once.

The other street is Odell Court. The actual paving will take place later that week.

There are two more additional streets that we plan to pave with this funding in the Spring of next year.

Leland from Oketo to Harlem and possibly the 4700 block of New Castle once all accounting is complete.

The Village Hall will be closed Monday for Columbus Day.

Finance

Trustee Brutto

No Report

Ordinance & License

Trustee Steiner

No Report

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**Police/Public Safety
Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe**

No Report

**Public Works/Public Health
Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki**

No Report

**Building
Trustee Zerillo**

We received the ordinance updates for the permit fees from Attorney Heinle earlier today. I will go through it to make sure he corrected the corrections I sent to him. One of the pages had short-term rentals, Airbnb for \$250.00; I don't know if that was under the fine section or if that needs to be removed, I will confer with the Attorney regarding this matter.

**Forestry & Green Initiative
Trustee Lewandowski**

Commended that he and all residents receive notices from ComEd for offers to buy and take advantage of energy efficient light bulbs and thermostats and other home devices that are using gas or electricity, so I would strongly advise our residents to do the same. And, always when you buy any kind of appliances and electronic equipment make sure that you buy energy efficient products.

Clerk's Report

No Report

Attorney Mark Heinle

No Report

Chief John DeVries

No Report

Deputy Chief Palazzo: Last Saturday our Police Department participated in the Illinois Special Olympics with our department raising \$1,500 for the cause with an overall total of \$192,000. Most of the funds came from our FOP account and all the officers that participated were on their off time and on their own.

We are also working on a Lateral AD right now and trying to get that Lateral Portal going and hoping to get it out live sometime by the end of October; so we're working on that.

F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Volpe: Stated that you can also check with ComEd because if you buy an energy efficient appliances, they have rebates for a lot of those efficiency products and they'll send you back money.

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G. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe – MCD Update: Next meeting is Tuesday, November 12, 2024.

Trustee Brzozowski-Wegrecki/Zerillo – WSSRA Update: Next meeting is Tuesday, November 12, 2024.

Trustee Steiner – Norridge/Harwood Heights Chamber of Commerce: The next meeting is scheduled for December 10th will be our Christmas lunch meeting at Rocco Vino's – bring unwrapped gift.

Trustee Zerillo – O'Hare Technical Committee: No meeting since my last update.

H. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/HIRES

None

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe, seconded by Trustee Brutto on Consent Agenda items I 1–20:

1. To approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting held September 26, 2024.
2. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$8,248.60, payable to Utility Service Co., Inc. for quarterly payment for the Water Tower Rehabilitation project expensed to FY 24/25 line item 22-00-9555.02 – Water & Sewer Fund.
3. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$3,886.86, payable to Cargill Salt Road Safety for the purchase of deicer salt expensed to FY 24/25 line item 44-00-6006.00 – MFT Fund.
4. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$12,482.16, payable to Christopher B. Burke Engineering for a change order to the Standby Generator at the Main Pump Station Agreement that was approved at the August 24, 2023 board meeting for a new project total of \$385,882.16 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 22-00-8600.00 – Water& Sewer Fund.
5. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$6,955.00, payable to Northern Illinois Police Alarm System for renewal of various assessment programs 5-1-24 – 4-30-25 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-05-7060.01 – Police.
6. To approve expenditure not to exceed \$112,236.25, payable to Municipal Consolidated Dispatch for installment payment #3 of #4 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-05-9527.01 – Police.
7. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$750.00, payable to Associated Trust Company for annual fees for the Village of Harwood Heights Escrow DTD 8-22-13 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-12-7010.00 – Debt Service.
8. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$950.00, payable to CivicPlus for Annual Online Hosting 4-1-24 to 3-31-25 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-01-7048.00 – General Administration.
9. Motion to hire John Karamitsos to coach and referee the Basketball Program at \$15.00 an hour.
10. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$100.00, payable to Christine Napolitano for additional supplies for the Arts & Crafts program expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-08-7039.04 – Recreation.
11. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$150.00, payable to Mary Pelarenos for Arts & Crafts supplies for the Halloween Party on Saturday, October 26, 2024 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-08-7038.02 -Recreation.

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12. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$200.00, payable to Nia Giolas for prizes for the coloring & Costume contests for the Halloween Party on Saturday, October 26, 2024 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-08-7038.02 -Recreation.
13. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$150.00, payable to Lisa Mignogna for goodie bag supplies for the Halloween Party on Saturday, October 26, 2024 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-08-7038.02 -Recreation.
14. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$50.00, payable to Christine Napolitano for water & juice for the Halloween Party on Saturday, October 26, 2024 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-08-7038.02 -Recreation.
15. To approve expenditure, not to exceed \$400.00, payable to Rocco Vino for pizzas for the Halloween Party on Saturday, October 26, 2024 expensed to FY 24/25 line item 11-08-7038.02 -Recreation.
16. To approve the installation of Handicap Parking Sign #22-06 at the address commonly known as 4539 N. Newland Avenue and to direct Public Works to install the sign in a timely manner.
17. To Adopt Resolution 24-07, Adoption of the Update of the Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
18. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the amount of \$520,294.88 as they appear on the October 10, 2024 check register #74840 thru #74904.
19. Transfer from Parkway General Savings Account in the estimated amount of \$185,000.00 to Parkway Bank Payroll Account. (October 11, 2024).
20. Electronic transfer from Parkway General Savings Account on the amount of \$14,719.05 for September 2024 IMRF Pension Fund.

A roll call vote on Consent Agenda items I 1 – 20 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

Trustee Zerillo: The Technical Committee, our working report group, regarding the plans and the presentations that are released, will be getting together next week to start going through different reports.

Chief DeVries: Reminded everyone on Brad Stephens' "Open House" event at the Lawrence and Cumberland mall, this Saturday, from 12pm to 5pm.

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Trustee Lewandowski: Stated that he has received very positive comments and appreciation regarding the realigning of the “O” Streets.

Mayor Jezierny: Stated that we are looking for funding to do the back area by the Police Department. There are some grant funds left over from the “O” Street Project and we will be doing repaving on 5 – 6 additional streets in the next 2 weeks and then hopefully 2 more streets after that.

N. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

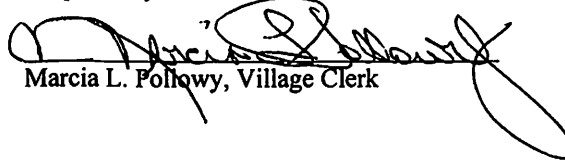
O. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 Brutto, seconded by Trustee Brzezniak-Volpe 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, October 10, 2024 at 7:44pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Marcia L. Polowy, Village Clerk