

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW
March 11, 2025**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular board meeting of the Village of Forest View was called to order by Village President Miller at 7:00 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Miller led the Board Trustees and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

The Roll Call of Board Trustees by Clerk McGuffey is as follows:

Present: Trustees Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Ramirez, Liska
Absent: Trustee Nevarez

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

That the minutes of the regular board meeting of February 25, 2025 to be approved as read:

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Ramirez
Second: Trustee Sudkamp

Yes: Trustees Ramirez, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Liska, Grossi
No: NA
Motion Carried.

5. REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES

To approve the village payroll and accounts payable expenditures March 1 – March 15, 2025:

Payroll- FT /PT/Officials	\$	103,782.75
Bills Payable	\$	<u>69,757.05</u>
Total Expenditures:	\$	173,539.80

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

Motion: Trustee Hubacek
Second: Trustee Ramirez

Yes: Trustees Hubacek, Ramirez, Liska, Grossi, Sudkamp
No: NA
Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS OF REVENUES AS OF February 28, 2025:

Cash Receipts:	\$	1,122,656.10
Sales Tax:	\$	72,872.79
Home Rule Sales Tax:	\$	37,020.32
Local Gas Tax:	\$	53,167.88
Interest:	\$	<u>8,120.58</u>
Total Revenue:	\$	1,293,837.67

Action Requested: None, information only.

7. DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Item # 1 – Letter from Interim Village Administrator DuRocher requesting the board approve Ordinance No. 25-05 amending Title 3 of the Forest View Municipal Code by adding a New Chapter 27, “THC” Products”. Banning the sale of THC hemp related products and the possession of the THC hemp related products by minors.

Action Requested: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 25-05 05 amending Title 3 of the Forest View Municipal Code by adding a New Chapter 27, “THC Products”. Banning the sale of THC hemp related products and the possession of the THC hemp related products by minors.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Ramirez

Yes: Trustee Grossi, Ramirez, Liska, Sudkamp, Hubacek
No: NA
Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 2 – Letter from Interim Village Administrator DuRocher requesting the board approve Ordinance No. 25-06 implementing a 1% Municipal Grocery Retailers Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax.

Action Requested: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 25-06 implementing a 1% Municipal Grocery Retailers Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax.

Motion: Trustee Sudkamp
Second: Trustee Liska

Yes: Trustee Sudkamp, Liska, Grossi, Hubacek, Ramirez
No: NA

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 3 – Letter from Interim Village Administrator DuRocher requesting the board approve Resolution R25-01 adopting the update to the Cook County Hazard Mitigation plan so that we are eligible for FEMA disaster funding.

Action Requested: Motion to approve Resolution R25-01 adopting the update to the Cook County Hazard Mitigation plan so that we are eligible for FEMA disaster funding.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Hubacek

Yes: Trustee Grossi, Hubacek, Ramirez, Liska, Sudkamp

No: NA

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 4 – Letter from Superintendent of Water & Public Works Miller to discuss a requirement by EPA for 2025 requiring the village take samples from 20 houses instead of the 10 that we have historically done. He is requesting the board accept a quote from Duke’s to hydrovac 24 water service lines at a cost not to exceed \$16, 800.

Action Requested: Motion to accept and approve a quote from Duke’s to hydrovac 24 water service lines at a cost not to exceed \$16, 800.

Motion: Trustee Grossi
Second: Trustee Ramirez

Yes: Trustee Grossi, Ramirez, Sudkamp, Liska, Hubacek

No: NA

Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 5 – Letter from Superintendent of Water & Public Works Miller to discuss two proposals from Dominion for LED Motion Lighting for the Fire and Police Departments. Quote # 1 Retrofit - Total cost of \$3,374.00 (\$ 3,374.00 for FD) & (\$ 824.00 for PD) and Quote # 2 New Fixtures - Total cost \$5017.00 (\$1901.00 for PD) & (\$3116.00 for FD) and is requesting the board accept a quote from Dominion Lighting to replace lighting fixtures for the Fire and Police Departments at a cost not to exceed \$5,017.00.

Action Requested: Motion to accept and approve a Quote # 2 from Dominion Lighting to replace lighting fixtures for the Fire and Police Departments at a cost not to exceed \$5,017.00.

Motion: Trustee Ramirez
Second: Trustee Hubacek

Yes: Trustee Ramirez, Hubacek, Grossi, Sudkamp, Liska

No: NA

Motion Carried.

8. APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMIT

NF25-02 – Gerardo Martinez 4609 Grove Ave. Repair cracks on outside stairs and replace missing parts.

Action Requested: None, information only.

9. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

A) Reports from Interim Village Administrator

Interim Village Administrator John DuRocher discussed the following:

Item #1 – Discuss with the board and Chief Zarate plans to establish a municipal adjudication process for low level violations such as curfew, property maintenance, building code violations and for "P" tickets which are lower-level violations requiring a citation and to review our fine schedule and payment time frames before penalties start to accrue/increase.

Discussion ensued and he will prepare an Adjudication Ordinance for the next board meeting.

Item # 2 – Update on the 46th Street Reconstruction and discuss speed bumps & tables.

Administrator DuRocher discussed with the board that the 46th street reconstruction project will start as early as April of this year. This project is 80% paid for by the federal government. Additionally, the village received a grant of up to \$110,000 from the Invest in Cook program. This means our maximum exposure is approximately \$114,000. We budgeted and committed to IDOT \$170,000 to IDOT and appropriated \$250,000.

He discussed with the board their interest in the establishment of speed bumps or an alternate of speed tables and described the difference and stated that these speed bumps and tables could not be installed at the same time as the 46th street project and would need to be put into the budget.

Administrator DuRocher will look into getting some quotes and ask Tom from Novotny to come speak at one of our board meetings. .

Item # 3 – Information on an increase June 1, 2025 on water rates and Combined Warehouse Annexation.

Administrator DuRocher discussed with the board that the City of Chicago is raising our water rates effective June 1, 2025 and because we lose about 15% of our water to non-revenue uses, the effective rate is \$5.6235 per thousand gallons. This will be part of the appropriations discussion.

Item # 4 – Budget review

Administrator DuRocher provided a 9-month Budget spreadsheet to the board to review and discussed our general fund, special funds, revenues, expenses, and the water fund. He discussed

that we should address charging departments properly for the labor cost items and gave an example stating that the Office Managers time and that of the Public Works Superintendents time should be allocated to the water department.

B) Reports from Department Heads:

Superintendent of Water & Public Works Miller reported:

- He received an invite from MWRD for a walk-through inspection of the Levee and said that they will start working on the south side of the Levee this summer.
- Stated that the 46th Street reconstruction project will start in the middle or late April.

Police Chief Zarate reported:

- Mentioned that the Flock cameras on 46th and Harlem and 47th and Central are live and everything is in place.

Fire Chief Jones reported:

- No reports

C) Reports from Village Trustees:

- Trustee Liska inquired about the Fire Protection Contract for 6500 51st Street at JPC.

Chief Jones stated that Forest View Fire Department provides service to this company bit they are not paying the Village. Administrator DuRocher stated he will look into this and speak to our attorney.

D) Reports from the Village President:

President Miller mentioned that the Stickney – Forest View Lions Club is renting the Art Treckler Room on Monday, March 17th for a meeting and said that they are looking for sponsors for their Walk for Diabetes Awareness Fun walk Run event at 9:00 – 11:30 am on Saturday, April 12th in the Forest View Park. The board agreed to the Platinum Sponsorship level for \$1,000.

10. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Resident on 46th and Maple commented about all the cars driving through town.

11. MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion: Trustee Ramirez
Second: Trustee Liska

12. ROLL CALL

VOICE VOTE: AYES: ALL NAYS: NONE Motion Carried.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

To adjourn at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura D. McGuffey
Village Clerk