

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 23, 2025**

Mayor Hoskins led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and Mayor Hoskins answered the Roll Call.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the minutes from the June 9, 2025, Regular meeting of the Council be approved.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd

The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Resolution for the payment of bills be adopted. The bills totaled \$613,827.45.

**R-56-25
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$613,827.45
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd

The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Ordinance imposing a Municipal Grocery Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax for the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois be adopted. It was discussed that this tax is not an additional tax, it replaces the state tax that was repealed as of 1-1-2026.

**O-34-25
ORDINANCE IMPOSING
GROCERY TAX
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd
The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Ordinance authorizing the sale or disposition of Surplus Property of the Village of Forest Park (obsolete police in-squad cameras, records and computer mounts) be adopted.

**O-35-25
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS
PROPERTY
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd
The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Resolution approving a collective bargaining agreement between the Village of Forest Park and AFSCME Local 3026 be adopted.

**R-57-25
RESOLUTION APPROVING
SUCCESSOR AGREEMENT
WITH AFSCME UNION
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd
The motion carried.

R-58-25
RESOLUTION APPROVING
ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR 2026 LEAD SERVICE
LINE REPLACEMENT
PROJECT
APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Maxham that the Resolution to approve and authorize the execution of a Professional Engineering Services Proposal for the 2026 Lead Service Line Replacement Project – Stage 3 loan application assistance and bidding documents by and between Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. and the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd
The motion carried.

R-59-25
RESOLUTION APPROVING
ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR 2025 GREEN ALLEY
PROJECT
APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Maxham that the Resolution to approve and authorize the execution of a Professional Engineering Services Proposal for the Phase II design for the 2025 Green Alley Project (800 Thomas Hannah Alley) by and between Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. and the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd
The motion carried.

R-60-25
RESOLUTION APPROVING
CHANGE ORDER FOR 2024
WATER MAIN
REPLACEMENT PROJECT
APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Maxham that the Resolution approving Change Order No. 1 to the contract with Bolder Contractors, Inc. for the 2024 Water Main Replacement for the 400-500 Blocks of Ferdinand Project be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd
The motion carried.

R-61-25
RESOLUTION WAIVING
IMRF HIRING FREEZE
APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Resolution authorizing the waiver of the hiring freeze for IMRF employees regarding the hiring of a full-time Finance Assistant be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and
Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd
The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Maxham to approve the application for use of the public way from Kingdom Running Club of LWCC for a 5K run and 1 mile walk to be held on August 30, 2025 and from Forest Park Chamber of Commerce to hold a Dog Days of Summer event in Constitution Court on July 26, 2025.

**USE OF PUBLIC WAY
APPLICATIONS
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Melin-Rogovin and
Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Nero and Voogd
The motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator Entler reported that during the extreme heat we are experiencing, she is in touch with ComEd and is monitoring for resulting power outages. The administrator also reported that portions of Fillmore Street have been closed due to the brick street buckling due to the heat.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Maxham recognized Officer Mike O'Connor, who retired last week after 22 years of service in the department. The commissioner thanked Officer O'Connor for his service and wished him the best.

Commissioner Melin Rogovin reported that she recently completed a 10-month leadership program and congratulated those who planned the Juneteenth Pool Party on a successful event.

Mayor Hoskins reported that he attended the Bloc Dispensary ribbon cutting, the Juneteenth Pool Party and many other community events recently. The mayor further reported that the scheduled executive session meeting planned for this evening is cancelled and is potentially going to be rescheduled for July 8th, to accommodate Councilmembers' schedules.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Maxham moved, and Commissioner Melin-Rogovin seconded to adjourn. The motion carried.

Mayor Hoskins declared the meeting adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Belmonte
Village Clerk