THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS HELD ON MONDAY EVENING, AUGUST 11, 2025

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

ROLL CALL

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

<u>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS</u>

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the minutes from the July 28, 2025, Annual Appropriation Public Hearing be approved.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the minutes from the July 28, 2025, Regular meeting of the Council be approved.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the minutes from the July 28, 2025, Closed Session meeting of the Council be approved.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Resolution for the payment of bills be adopted. The bills totaled \$1,405,129.86.

R-72-25 RESOLUTION FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,405,129.86 APPROVED

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Ordinance fixing the salaries for the officials and employees of the Village of Forest Park from and after May 1, 2025, be adopted.

O-38-25 ANNUAL SALARY ORDINANCE APPROVED

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Ordinance waiving bid and authorizing the acceptance of a software as a service agreement by and between Xylem and the Village of Forest Park be adopted. 0-39-25 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH XYLEM APPROVED

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Resolution authorizing and approving the purchase of one (1) 2024 Ford F-550 4x4 Aerial Lift Truck be adopted.

R-73-25 RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE OF AERIAL LIFT TRUCK APPROVED

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the approval of Pay Request #3 for the AMI Water Meters Replacement Project to Veregy Central, LLC be adopted. R-74-25 RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY REQUEST #3 TO VEREGY CENTRAL LLC APPROVED

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the approval of Pay Request #4 for the AMI Water Meters Replacement Project to Veregy Central, LLC be adopted. R-75-25 RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY REQUEST #4 TO VEREGY CENTRAL LLC APPROVED

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the approval of Pay Request #5 for the AMI Water Meters Replacement Project to Veregy Central, LLC be adopted. R-76-25 RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY REQUEST #5 TO VEREGY CENTRAL LLC APPROVED

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioners Maxham and Voogd and seconded by Commissioners Nero and Melin-Rogovin that the Resolution authorizing and approving the purchase of body worn cameras for the Village of Forest Park Police Department be adopted.

R-77-25 RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE OF AERIAL LIFT TRUCK APPROVED

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Resolution ratifying the acceptance of a grant from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board be adopted.

R-78-25 RESOLUTION RATIFYING GRANT TO PURCHASE BODY WORN CAMERAS APPROVED

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin to approve the request from the Knights of Columbus to conduct their Tootsie Roll Drive Fundraising initiative within the Village of Forest Park

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOLICITATION REQUEST APPROVED BY MOTION

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,

Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator Entler was not in attendance – no report.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Maxham reflected on the recent budget meeting and urged the elected officials to face the financial realities of the village, to work hard to identify sources of revenue and to adopt revenue producing measures to offset the projected deficit. The commissioner further expressed her support of the zoning changes, which were brought forward and voted down, stating they would support development and increased property tax revenue. Commissioner Maxham congratulated Director Steve Glinke on his 40-year anniversary with the village, adding that the village is lucky to have him. Last, the commissioner reported that a new police officer will be sworn in on Friday, August 15th at 10:00 and a new firefighter is scheduled to be sworn in on August 29 at 10:00.

Commissioner Nero commented that Commissioner Maxham made some great points and agreed that the Village Council needs to take action and push other revenue-increasing ideas forward. The commissioner was also hoping that the zoning changes could produce increased property tax revenue through development. Last, Commissioner Nero congratulated Steve Glinke on his tremendous accomplishment and wished him many more years of success.

Commissioner Melin-Rogovin congratulated Steve Glinke on his 40 years of work with the village, acknowledging his commitment and vast knowledge base. The commissioner stated that with regard to the village's finances, the elected officials need to maintain engagement and provide input and guidance to the staff. There is a District 91 back-to-school event tomorrow at the Park District at 4:00 p.m. This led to the commissioner reminding motorists to be aware of school starting soon and to increase safety measures to protect students traveling to and from school. Other upcoming events are the Garage Galleries and the Food Aid event.

Commissioner Voogd announced the 5th annual Community Clean-Up is scheduled for Saturday, September 13th. More information will be available soon. The commissioner also reported that she was able to go on a ride along with Lt. Dan Miller and expressed her gratitude to Lt. Miller, Chief Gross and the department. The commissioner expressed her appreciation of the staff's dedication, incredible professionalism, and ability to remain calm and patient in their daily encounters.

Mayor Hoskins reported that he recently met with interim District 91 Superintendent, Robert Hubbird, along with the Village Administrator, where they discussed the partnership between the village and the district as well as the safety of the schools.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Nero moved, and Commissioner Maxham seconded to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Hoskins declared the meeting adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,