

**VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
February 24th, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Village of River Forest Board of Trustees was held on February 24th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of Village Hall, 400 Park Avenue – River Forest, IL.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Upon roll call, the following persons were:

Present: President Adduci, Gillis, Vazquez, and Village Clerk Keller

Absent: Trustees Brennan, O’Connell, and Bachner

Also Present: Village Attorney Lance Malina, Village Administrator Matt Walsh, Assistant Village Administrator Jessica Spencer, Police Chief James O’Shea, Director of Public Works and Engineering Jack Bielak, Finance Director Rosemary McAdams, Deputy Police Chief James Greenwood, Assistant Finance Director Keke Boyer, Police Commander Michael Swierczynski, Deputy Fire Chief David Bochenek, and Deputy Clerk Luke Masella.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Adduci led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

4. ELECTED OFFICIAL COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Johnson reported attending an Oak Park River Forest Black Professionals event with students, noting that this year, the attendees showed a particular interest in his role as a Village Board Trustee, more so than in previous years.

Village Clerk Keller had nothing to add to the record.

Trustee Vazquez reminded everyone that Celebrating Seniors Week is coming May 8th-15th.

Trustee Gillis reminded everyone about the upcoming 5th Annual Bike Exchange on April 12th. She also highlighted the ongoing River Forest Township survey and the Village's lead service line survey. Additionally, she gave a shoutout to the Public Works Department for their assistance with an issue at her property.

President Adduci announced that the Village Clerk will be moving outside of the Village's boundaries but will complete the final two months of his term.

- a. State of the Village Presentation – 2025

President Adduci gave the 2025 State of the Village Presentation.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Village Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes – February 10th, 2025
- b. Administration Department Report
- c. Finance Report – January 2025
- d. Award of Contract – 2025 Permeable Paver Maintenance Project – Old World Brick Paving – \$54,087.50
- e. Proclamation Recognizing Laura Maychruk for Receiving The Historical Society Of Oak Park And River Forest's “Heart Of Our Villages” Award

MOTION by Trustee Johnson to approve Consent Agenda Items A through E. Seconded by Trustee Gillis.

Roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Johnson, Vazquez, Gillis, President Adduci

Absent: Trustees Brennan, O'Connell, and Bachner

Nays: None

Motion Passes.

President Adduci read the Proclamation Recognizing Laura Maychruk for Receiving The Historical Society Of Oak Park And River Forest's “Heart Of Our Villages” Award aloud and presented the proclamation to Andrew Maychruk.

6. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

None.

7. RECCOMENDATIONS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

a. Boards and Commissions Appointments

- i. Local Ethics Commission Reappointment – Greg Ignoffo – Term Expiring 4/30/26
- ii. Development Review Board Reappointments – Jane McCole, MaryAnne Fishman, and Mary Schoemaker – Terms Expiring 4/30/26
- iii. Plan Commission Reappointments – Jane McCole and Erik Harris – Terms Expiring 4/30/28
- iv. Economic Development Commission Appointments – Laura Maychruk and Dorota Szerszenowicz – Terms Expiring 4/30/28
- v. Economic Development Commission Reappointment – Carr Preston – Term Expiring 4/30/28

MOTION by Trustee Vazquez to approve the Village President's proposed appointment and reappointment as listed on the agenda section 7.a.I through 7.a.V. Seconded by Trustee Johnson.

Roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Johnson, Vazquez, Gillis

Absent: Trustees Brennan, O'Connell, and Bachner

Nays: None

Motion Passes.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10.EXECTUIVE SESSION

None.

11.ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn by Trustee Vazquez. Seconded by Trustee Johnson.

Roll call:

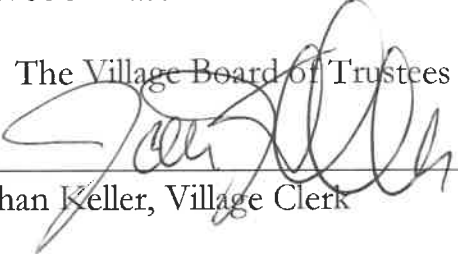
Ayes: Trustees Johnson, Vazquez, Gillis, President Adduci

Absent: Trustees Brennan, O'Connell, and Bachner

Nays: None

Motion Passes.

The Village Board of Trustees Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Jonathan Keller, Village Clerk

Date: 03-10-25