

VILLAGE COUNCIL & COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MARCH 9, 2026 AT 7:00 PM



VILLAGE HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
200 E. WOOD STREET
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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Schwantz called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT :	Mayor Jim Schwantz, Councilman District 2 Scott Lamerand, Councilman District 3 Doug Myslinski, Councilman District 4 Joe Falkenberg, Councilman District 5 Kollin Kozlowski, Councilman District 6 Brad Helms
ABSENT :	Councilman District 1 Greg Langer
ARRIVED :	

Also Present:

Village Clerk Maureen Pasqualucci, Village Manager Reid Ottesen, Deputy Village Manager Hadley Skeffington-Vos, Village Attorney Patrick Brankin, Director of Public Works Matt Barry, Police Chief William Nord, Deputy Police Chief David Brandwein, IT Director Larry Schroth, Director of Finance Andrew Brown

III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Schwantz invited everyone to stand and join him in the Pledge to the Flag.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Village Council & Committee of the Whole - Regular Meeting - March 2, 2026

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Doug Myslinski
SECONDER:	Joe Falkenberg
AYES:	Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYES:	None

V. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. As Submitted

Mayor Schwantz announced upcoming events:

March 2 through March 16: Mon. – Sat. 9 AM to 5 PM; Sun. 10 AM to 4 PM

Early Voting for the March 17 Gubernatorial Primary
 150 W. Wilson Street – Village Hall is NOT a voting site

Saturday, March 14: 11 AM

St. Patrick’s Day Parade
 Downtown Palatine

Wednesday, March 18: 7 PM – 9 PM

District 1 & 2 Advisory Meeting – Hosted by Councilman Langer and Councilman Lamerand
 Village Hall Council Chambers

VI. RECESS TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Brad Helms
SECONDER:	Kollin Kozlowski
AYES:	Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

VII. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A. **ADMINISTRATION, TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNITY HEALTH COMMITTEE**
 GREG LANGER, CHAIR

1. Consider a Motion to Approve the Farmers' Market to Utilize the Village Train Station Parking Lot (B) for the 2026 Summer Farmers' Market and 2026-2027 Winter Farmers' Market
 Council District: Six

In the absence of Chairman Langer, Vice-Chairman Lamerand opened the Administration, Technology & Community Health Committee.

Village Manager Reid Ottesen discussed the upcoming farmers' market season and the transition of its nonprofit sponsorship from Sister Cities to the Knights of Columbus for the 2026–2027 season.

Marg Duer, after dedicating 36 years to the market committee, spoke about passing her responsibilities on to Barb Rozny, entrusting the work she’s cherished for so long to caring hands.

Barb Rozny, 412 N. Seminary Ave, Park Ridge, 25 years as a market vendor, expressed enthusiasm for managing the market and working together with the Knights of Columbus.

David Heiden, Knights of Columbus, Council 4977, expressed appreciation for this new opportunity within the farmer's market.

Councilman Lamerand conveyed the council’s appreciation for the farmers market’s organization and efforts.

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Brad Helms
SECONDER:	Joe Falkenberg
AYES:	Jim Schwantz, Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

- 2. As Submitted

Nothing Submitted.

B. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
KOLLIN KOZLOWSKI, CHAIR

- 1. Consider a Motion Authorizing the Village Manager to Approve Reimbursements to the Palatine Park District for Contractual Grass Mowing Services

Director of Public Works Matt Barry explained the partnership with the Palatine Park District, which allows for more cost-effective grass-maintenance bidding. Barry highlighted the bid submissions, the savings achieved, and the request to extend the agreement through 2027–2028. He also noted that Yellowstone Landscaping was the low responsive bidder.

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Doug Myslinski
SECONDER:	Joe Falkenberg
AYES:	Jim Schwantz, Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

- 2. Consider a Motion to Extend the Contract for the Village's Landscape Maintenance Program

Director of Public Works Matt Barry presented the contract extensions for landscaping maintenance, noting that the 2023–2025 agreement had expired and recommending a new extension for 2026–2028 with Brian Edwards. He highlighted recent building removals and additions, along with updates to maintenance and irrigation costs, and mentioned that Year 1 came in under budget.

RESULT:	MOTION BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Joe Falkenberg
SECONDER:	Scott Lamerand
AYES:	Jim Schwantz, Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

- 3. Consider a Motion to Award a Contract for the 2026 Supplemental Street Resurfacing Project

Director of Public Works Matt Barry discussed that the 2026 road-maintenance budget produced a surplus after bids, and staff recommended using these savings to resurface additional streets. The savings are proposed to be used in a two-part plan that includes resurfacing nine streets in-house, adding five competitively bid contractual streets, and using Downtown TIF District funds to advance 2027 work and improve overall road conditions.

Councilman Kozlowski asked for clarification on the project savings, and Barry explained that the savings are recommended to be held in abeyance as a contingency or would be carried over and applied to the following year.

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Brad Helms
SECONDER:	Doug Myslinski
AYES:	Jim Schwantz, Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

- 4. Consider a Motion to Award a Contract for the 2026 Water Main Improvements Project
Council District: Two

Director of Public Works Matt Barry discussed the 2026 Water Main Improvement Project on Quentin Road from Medford Drive to Euclid Avenue along with additional work on parts of Kenilworth, Daniels, and Maple. Barry noted that

Performance Construction was the low responsive bidder and recommended approval.

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Scott Lamerand
SECONDER:	Joe Falkenberg
AYES:	Jim Schwantz, Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

5. Consider a Motion Authorizing the Village Manager to Execute a Proposal for Construction Engineering Services for the 2026 Water Main Improvements Project
Council District: Two

Director of Public Works Matt Barry reported that the proposal for underground construction engineering services from Doland Engineering came in at 10% under budget, and Barry recommended approval.

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Scott Lamerand
SECONDER:	Joe Falkenberg
AYES:	Jim Schwantz, Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

6. As Submitted
Nothing Submitted.

C. BUSINESS FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE
JOE FALKENBERG, CHAIR

1. As Submitted
Nothing Submitted.

D. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
SCOTT LAMERAND, CHAIR

1. As Submitted
Nothing Submitted.

E. FIRE POLICY & COMMUNITY INFORMATION COMMITTEE
BRAD HELMS, CHAIR

1. As Submitted

Nothing Submitted.

F. POLICE POLICY & CODE SERVICES COMMITTEE
DOUG MYSLINSKI, CHAIR

- 1. As Submitted

Nothing Submitted.

VIII. RECONVENE THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Brad Helms
SECONDER:	Joe Falkenberg
AYES:	Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

All items are considered to be routine by the Village Council and will be enacted by one motion, with waiver of first reading. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

The motion was to approve items A. to F.

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY ROLL CALL
MOVER:	Scott Lamerand
SECONDER:	Doug Myslinski
AYES:	Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

- A. Consider a Motion to Approve the Farmers' Market to Utilize the Village Train Station Parking Lot (B) for the 2026 Summer Farmers' Market and 2026-2027 Winter Farmers' Market
Council District: Six
- B. Consider a Motion Authorizing the Village Manager to Approve Reimbursements to the Palatine Park District for Contractual Grass Mowing Services
- C. Consider a Motion to Extend the Contract for the Village's Landscape Maintenance Program
- D. Consider a Motion to Award a Contract for the 2026 Supplemental Street Resurfacing Project

- E. Consider a Motion to Award a Contract for the 2026 Water Main Improvements Project
Council District: Two
- F. Consider a Motion Authorizing the Village Manager to Execute a Proposal for Construction Engineering Services for the 2026 Water Main Improvements Project
Council District: Two

X. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. ADMINISTRATION, TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNITY HEALTH COMMITTEE GREG LANGER, CHAIR

- 1. As Submitted

In the absence of Chairman Langer, Vice-Chairman Lamerand reported on the Administration, Technology & Community Health Committee.

No Report.

B. BUSINESS FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE JOE FALKENBERG, CHAIR

- 1. As Submitted

No Report.

C. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE SCOTT LAMERAND, CHAIR

- 1. As Submitted

No Report.

D. FIRE POLICY & COMMUNITY INFORMATION COMMITTEE BRAD HELMS, CHAIR

- 1. As Submitted

No Report.

E. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE KOLLIN KOZLOWSKI, CHAIR

- 1. As Submitted

No Report.

F. POLICE POLICY & CODE SERVICES COMMITTEE DOUG MYSLINSKI, CHAIR

1. As Submitted
No Report.

XI. REPORTS OF THE VILLAGE OFFICERS

A. VILLAGE MANAGER

1. As Submitted
No Report.

B. VILLAGE CLERK

1. As Submitted
No Report.

C. VILLAGE ATTORNEY

1. As Submitted
No Report.

XII. CLOSED SESSION AS REQUIRED

No Closed Session requested.

XIII. RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

Jack Conneely, 263 W Boardwalk Drive, discussed the waste pickup contract and noted that, if Groot is not finalized, Lake Shore Recycling Services could serve as an alternative for composting. He highlighted Lake Shore's greater experience, asked whether other vendors had been considered, and referenced comparable cities already using this provider.

Rita, 348 N Waynes Ct, stated that she is recommending additional bids and more detailed information, and she suggested LRS as a potential vendor. Rita then read a letter from another resident, Barb Figlewicz, a member of the Palatine Garden Club, expressing support for comprehensive composting.

Laura H. Bayside Drive, expressed concern about ICE, mentioned recent emails with the Mayor, and requested face-to-face communication and future meetings. She suggested tips for active listening to the Council.

Roman Golasch, 122 W. Palatine commented that communication is a two-way street.

John Guifoil, 736 N. Walden Drive, reiterated Jack's comments, mentioning composting services and the potential cost savings on tipping fees.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

RESULT:	MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Brad Helms
SECONDER:	Joe Falkenberg
AYES:	Scott Lamerand, Doug Myslinski, Joe Falkenberg, Kollin Kozlowski, Brad Helms
NAYS:	None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:22 PM.

SUBMITTED BY:

Maureen Pasqualucci
Village Clerk