

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF
TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BUFFALO GROVE HELD IN THE JEFFREY S. BRAIMAN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 50 RAUPP BOULEVARD, BUFFALO GROVE, ILLINOIS
MONDAY, JULY 20, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Those present stood and pledged allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following present: President Smith; Trustees Johnson, Richards, Cesario, Ottenheimer, Bocek, and Weidenfeld.

Also present were: Dane Bragg, Village Manager; Patrick Brankin, Village Attorney; Chris Stilling, Deputy Village Manager; Mike Skibbe, Deputy Village Manager/Director of Public Works; Tyler Grace, Assistant Village Manager - Administrative Services; Katie Golbach, Director of Human Resources; Chris Black, Director of Finance; Nicole Woods, Director of Community Development; Briget Schwab, Village Engineer; Molly Gillespie, Director of Communications; Fire Chief Kane; and Police Chief Budds.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Richards, seconded by Ottenheimer, to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2026, Regular Meeting. Upon roll call, Trustees voted as follows:

AYES: 6 – Johnson, Richards, Cesario, Ottenheimer, Bocek, Weidenfeld
NAYS: 0 – None
Motion declared carried.

WARRANT #1396

Mr. Black read Warrant #1396. Moved by Cesario, seconded by Johnson, to approve Warrant #1396 in the amount of \$8,941,960.23 authorizing payment of bills listed. Upon roll call, Trustees voted as follows:

AYES: 6 – Johnson, Richards, Cesario, Ottenheimer, Bocek, Weidenfeld
NAYS: 0 – None
Motion declared carried.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Smith recognized Ed Muldoon, the co-chair of the **Buffalo Grove Farmer's Market**, and he thanked him and the entire committee for their hard work and dedication every Sunday morning to make the event so successful.

VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT

There is no Village Manager's report tonight.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

There were no reports from Trustees tonight.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Smith explained the Consent Agenda, stating that any member of the audience or the Board could request that an item be removed for full discussion; there were no such requests. The Village Clerk read a brief synopsis of each of the items on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinance No. 2026-67 - Golfview Terrace

Motion to pass Ordinance No. 2026-67 amending Parking Restrictions to Golfview Terrace at Joyce Kilmer Elementary School.

Ordinance No. 2026-68 - 506 Windover Circle

Motion to pass Ordinance No. 2026-68 approving a Variation for a front porch to encroach into the side yard setback at 506 Windover Circle.

Resolution No.2026-11 - ILAG Grant Award

Motion to pass Resolution No.2026-11 approving ratification of the ILAG Organized Retail Crime Grant Award.

Ordinance No. 2026-69 - 1682 Barclay Boulevard

Motion to pass Ordinance No. 2026-69 approving a Special Use for a Martial Arts Studio in the Industrial District at 1682 Barclay Boulevard.

Moved by Ottenheimer, seconded by Bocek, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon roll call, Trustees voted as follows:

AYES: 5 – Johnson, Richards, Ottenheimer, Bocek, Weidenfeld
NAYS: 0 – None
ABSTAIN: 1 - Cesaro
Motion declared carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-70 – FIREFIGHTER ASSOCIATION

Moved by Richards, seconded by Johnson, to pass Ordinance No. 2026-70 authorizing the Village Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the Village of Buffalo Grove and the Buffalo Grove Professional Firefighter Association, Local 3177, IAFF.

Ms. Golbach reviewed the proposed ordinance, details of which are contained in the Agenda Item Summary that she prepared, after which she answered comments and questions from the Board.

Upon roll call, Trustees voted as follows:

AYES: 6 – Johnson, Richards, Cesario, Ottenheimer, Bocek, Weidenfeld
NAYS: 0 – None
Motion declared carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-71 – LUCKY STRIKE

Moved by Ottenheimer, seconded by Cesario, to pass Ordinance No. 2026-71 approving an Amendment to the Planned Development and Sign Variations for Lucky Strike at 350 McHenry Road in accordance with materials contained in Board packets

Ms. Woods reviewed the proposed ordinance, details of which are contained in the memo that she and Mr. Binder sent to Mr. Bragg dated July 15, 2026, after which there were comments from the Board.

Frank Lambert with Sharpen Up representing Lucky Strike improvements further detailed the re-branding efforts that they plan to undertake, after which he answered questions from the Board.

Upon roll call, Trustees voted as follows:

AYES: 6 – Johnson, Richards, Cesario, Ottenheimer, Bocek, Weidenfeld

NAYS: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-72 – GATEWAY SIGNAGE

Moved by Weidenfeld, seconded by Johnson, to pass Ordinance No. 2026-72 authorizing the execution of a contract with Burke, LLC for the construction management of the design-led design-build Gateway Signage Project, subject to the approval of the Village Attorney.

Ms. Gillespie and Ms. Schwab reviewed the proposed ordinance, details of which are contained in the memo that they sent to the Board dated July 15, 2026.

Trustee Weidenfeld noted that he thinks the signs are great, but there is no way that he can support this expenditure with all the other obligations that are pending. Other Trustees agreed that this is a large expense but believe that these signs are a vital part of the Village's re-branding initiative and an expense that is necessary.

Upon roll call, Trustees voted as follows:

AYES: 5 – Johnson, Richards, Cesario, Ottenheimer, Bocek

NAYS: 1 – Weidenfeld

Motion declared carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Smith reviewed the parameters to be followed by speakers and asked if there were any questions from the audience on items not on tonight's agenda.

Lindsay Siegal, a resident of **The Crossings**, commented on the proposed daycare which would be located in Long Grove but has significant impact on the residents of The Crossings in Buffalo Grove. Tom Stoneburg also commented on this issue. President Smith assured them that the Buffalo Grove Board and staff are very aware of this situation and will do everything possible to protect our residents.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Richards, to move to Executive Session to discuss **Section 2(C)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act: the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body or Legal Counsel for the Public Body, including hearing testimony on a Complaint Lodged against an Employee of the Public Body or against Legal Counsel for the Public Body to determine its validity and Section 2(C)(11) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act: Litigation, when an Action Against, Affecting or on Behalf of the Particular Public Body has been filed and is Pending Before a Court or Administrative Tribunal, or when the Public Body finds that an Action is Probable or Imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the Minutes of the Closed Meeting, and Section 2(C)(5) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act: (5) the Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the Use of the Public Body, including Meetings held for the Purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired.**

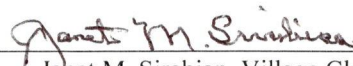
Upon roll call, Trustees voted as follows:

AYES: 6 – Johnson, Richards, Cesario, Ottenheimer, Bocek, Weidenfeld
NAYS: 0 – None
Motion declared carried.

The Board moved to Executive Session from 7:30 P.M. until 8:14 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Richards, seconded by Cesario, to adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote, the motion was unanimously declared carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.



Janet M. Sirabian, Village Clerk

APPROVED BY ME THIS 17th DAY OF August 2026


Village President

