

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
13800 S. CICERO AVE., CRESTWOOD, IL 60418
November 4, 2025

CALL TO
ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ken Klein at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL

Present: Trustees Anthony Benigno, Linda Madlener, Kevin Wasag, Frank Caldario, Brian Skala and Denise Pietrucha

CALL

Also present: Village Services Director Bill Graffeo, Village Clerk Cathy Johnson and Attorney Lauren DaValle

DISCUSSION
ITEMS

1. None

VILLAGE
SERVICES
DIRECTOR

1. The Village received a Safety grant for 28,538.
2. Our insurance premium will be going down this year, due to less claims this year and the hard work of our broker, Horton Ins. It will be down \$300,000.
3. The new license deal with the Thunderbolts will be 1,000,000 over the ten year period of the license. This year we will receive \$200,000.
4. Next year we will be trying to kick-off our Cicero Ave. Celebration earlier in the year with a planning session in May, 2026.
5. We have had three water main breaks in the last week and a half, one fire hydrant, one at 127th and just West of Cal Sag Rd., and one on Kostner Ave.
6. The Fire and Police Dept. have been doing an AWESOME job! A lot going on lately.
7. The new flag football group running out of the CRWC is doing great.
8. The Market Place on Sunday's in the Biela center parking lot is also doing great. More vendors and product each week.
9. The Biela Center had their craft fair and it was a huge success, again.
10. EMA is also doing a fabulous job, always ready for anything.
11. Still working on the contract with the MWRD for the two new businesses on Cal Sag Rd.

COMPTROLLER 1. No Report

HUMAN
RESOURCES/
FINANCE
COORDINATOR

1. No Report

VILLAGE
CLERK'S
REPORT

1. Board packet for November 6, 2025 was distributed.
2. Village Christmas Party to be held on December 3, 2025.

MAYOR'S
REPORT

1. The house at 14109 Kenneth Ct., that blew up quite a few months ago, is finally being demolished and back filled by Cassidy Excavating.
2. The Mayor will be meeting with a fueling station interested in the Cal Sag property, along with a convenience store.
3. The property at 13960 S. Cicero Ave., which will be the new Lindy's is moving along very nicely.
4. The restaurant that took over "At the Office" which is called "Fat Tommy's Bar & Grill" will be opening very shortly.
5. Bold Age Pace will be opening on November 4, 2025.
6. There will be a Veterans Day celebration at the Crestwood Nursing & Rehab facility on 143rd and Cicero Ave.
7. The Walgreens store is going through an ownership restructuring and hopefully our store will remain open.
8. The house fire at 5308 W. 138th St. has questionable origins.
9. Mayor is very proud of all Village departments.

VILLAGE
ATTORNEY

1. No Report

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

1. None

NEW
BUSINESS

1. Trustee Madlener had a question regarding 5447 W. 127th and its location.
2. Trustee Wasag mentioned that next year will be the 250th anniversary of the United States of America. Hopefully we can make plans to have some type of celebration.

AUDIENCE
PARTICIPATION

1. Several members of the Crestwood Fast Pitch league came in to talk to the Mayor and Board regarding the field usage fees.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

1. None

ADJOURN
MENT

There being no further business the Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.. The Motion was made by Trustee Benigno and seconded by Trustee Wasag All in favor. Motion carried.