

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
13800 S. CICERO AVE., CRESTWOOD, IL 60418
November 18, 2025

CALL TO
ORDER

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

ROLL
CALL

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

Absent: Trustee Frank Caldario

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

DISCUSSION
ITEMS

1. Mayor spoke regarding the Veterans day program at the Crestwood Nursing & Rehabilitation Center. He said it was a great program and many veterans were recognized.

VILLAGE
SERVICES
DIRECTOR

1. We will not be putting up the lighted Christmas decorations this year. We will be holding off until next year.
2. Public Works will be decorating shortly for Christmas at the Village buildings.
3. The Police Department remodel is on its last leg, they have moved up to the Clerk's office, and then they just need to clean up everything in the garage.
4. We will be doing some patch work on 128th St., as the final phase of the water project has been postponed.
5. Public works will also be trimming trees and cleaning up any leaf mess in the streets.
6. The last Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals meeting was very involved with several issues and a business that came in for a towing company.

COMPTROLLER

1. No Report

HUMAN
RESOURCES/
FINANCE
COORDINATOR

1. No Report

VILLAGE
CLERK'S
REPORT

1. Board packet for November 20, 2025 was distributed.
2. Village Christmas Party to be held on December 3, 2025.
3. The Clerk's office has had all the fall projects start at the same time, with the tax bills finally going out, our Surplus Refund program has begun, Vehicle sticker renewal applications are going in the mail, with stickers going on sale on Dec. 1st.
4. The Christmas Decorating contest will be in full swing in December, along with the annual needy baskets the second week of December.

MAYOR'S
REPORT

1. The Lindy's is hoping to open sooner, rather than later. Shooting for December, but looking more like January, 2026.
2. The new restaurant, Fat Tommy's Bar & Grill" that took over for "At the Office" will still be hosting the Queen of Hearts raffle for Park Lawn.
3. The new businesses that are interested in leasing on the Cal Sag are moving along in the process.
4. Bella Brew and Pratik Patel are both still very interested in the sites on the Cal Sag.
5. There is also interest in a 3 story hotel on the Cal Sag.
6. Skecher's is close to being done with the remodel.
7. We also have a new business going in to the old "At Home" location. It is called the Collective Furniture Store and Marketplace.

VILLAGE
ATTORNEY

1. No Report

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

1. The fast pitch softball group, is still looking for a cut in the field fees. Spoke with the Mayor and the Board several times.
2. A couple of questions regarding the many ordinances in the packet.

NEW
BUSINESS

1. None

AUDIENCE
PARTICIPATION

1. Resident Diane Taczy was in attendance with the following questions:
 1. What are the blue lights at Snipes?
 2. Are the water fountains gone at RiverCrest?

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

1. None

ADJOURN
MENT

There being no further business the Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.. The Motion was made by Trustee Benigno and seconded by Trustee Skala All in favor. Motion carried.