

MINUTES
REGULAR SCHEDULED
VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
13820 S. CICERO AVE., CRESTWOOD, IL 60418
February 19, 2026 – 7:00 PM

**CALL TO
ORDER**

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

**ROLL
CALL**

Present and responding to roll call were the following:

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

A quorum was present and meeting commenced.

**PLEDGE
ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge was led by Mayor Ken Klein and recited by all.

**SUSPEND
RULES OF
ORDER
PARTICIPATION**

1. None

**RECONVENE
BOARD
MEETING**

Mayor Klein called the regular Board meeting back to order at 7:02 p.m.

**VILLAGE
CLERK'S
OFFICE**

APPROVE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES DATED FEBRUARY 3, 2026

A Motion to approve the Committee of the Whole Minutes dated February 3, 2026.

Motion by: Trustee Benigno

Seconded by: Trustee Caldario

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Madlener, Wasag, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

APPROVE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES DATED FEBRUARY 5, 2026.

A Motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes dated February 5, 2026.

Motion by: Trustee Pietrucha

Seconded by: Trustee Benigno

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Madlener, Wasag, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE
REPORTS
BUILDING &
PLATS

Building & Plats – Trustee Madlener, Chairman

BUILDING REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2026

The Building report for the month of January, 2026 was read by Trustee Madlener with the following highlights:

Total Billed: \$1,230.00

Total Valuation - \$183,360.00

Number of Permits - 16

FINANCE

Finance – Trustee Pietrucha, Chairman

APPROVE AND PASS PAYROLL WARRANT, DATED 1/30/26, GENERAL FUND, MFT FUND, WATER & SEWER FUND, VOUCHER LISTING, DATED 2/5/26, RT. 83 TIF FUND, GENERAL FUND, MFT FUND, NON-HOME RULE FUND, WATER & SEWER FUND, VOUCHER LISTING, DATED 2/12/26

A Motion was made by Trustee Pietrucha to Approve and Pass Payroll Warrant, dated 1/30/26, General Fund, MFT Fund, Water & Sewer Fund, Voucher Listing, dated 2/5/26, Rt. 83 TIF Fund, General Fund, MFT Fund, Non-Home Rule Fund, Water & Sewer Fund, Voucher Listing, dated 2/12/26.

Motion by: Trustee Pietrucha

Seconded by: Trustee Benigno

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Madlener, Wasag, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT – REVENUE/EXPENDITURE REPORT AS OF JANUARY 31, 2026

The Treasurer's Report – Revenue/Expenditure report as of January 31, 2026 was read by Trustee Pietrucha, "as a matter of record"

**HUMAN
RESOURCES**

Human Resources – Trustee Pietrucha, Chairman

**VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF
FEBRUARY, 2026**

The Village of Crestwood Human Resources report for the month of February, 2026 was read by Trustee Pietrucha with the following highlights:

1. A Resolution to establish 401(a) Plan
2. Changes to the Village of Crestwood Handbook
3. New Hire and Terminated Employees – January 22, 2026 to February 13, 2026

FIRE

Fire – Trustee Madlener, Chairman

No Report

**LICENSE &
ORDINANCE**

License & Ordinance – Trustee Wasag, Chairman

**SUSPEND THE RULES OF ORDER TO CONSIDER AN AGREEMENT WITH HEARNE &
ASSOCIATES, P.C. FOR AUDIT SERVICES THEY ARE TO PROVIDE THE VILLAGE OF
CRESTWOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING APRIL 30, 2026, 2027 AND 2028.**

A Motion to Suspend the Rules of Order to consider an Agreement with Hearne & Associates, P.C. for audit services they are to provide the Village of Crestwood for the fiscal years ending April 30, 2026, 2027, and 2028.

Motion by: Trustee Wasag

Seconded by: Trustee Benigno

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

**APPROVE AND PASS AN AGREEMENT WITH HEARNE & ASSOCIATES, P.C. FOR AUDIT
SERVICES THEY ARE TO PROVIDE THE VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEARS
ENDING APRIL 30, 2026, 2027 AND 2028.**

A Motion to Approve and Pass an Agreement with Hearne & Associates, P.C. for audit services they are to provide the Village of Crestwood for the fiscal years ending April 30, 2026, 2027, and 2028.

Motion by: Trustee Wasag

Seconded by: Trustee Caldario

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

SUSPEND THE RULES OF ORDER TO CONSIDER UPDATES TO THE VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD HANDBOOK (PLAWA FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYEES AND LONGEVITY FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT)

A Motion to Suspend the Rules of Order to consider updates to the Village of Crestwood handbook (Plawa for Part-time employees and longevity for Fire Department)

Motion by: Trustee Wasag Seconded by: Trustee Benigno

Ayes: 6 Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

APPROVE AND PASS UPDATES TO THE VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD HANDBOOK (PLAWA FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYEES AND LONGEVITY FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT)

A Motion to Approve and Pass updates to the Village of Crestwood handbook (Plawa for Part-time employees and longevity for Fire Department)

Motion by: Trustee Wasag Seconded by: Trustee Madlener

Ayes: 6 Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

SUSPEND THE RULES OF ORDER TO CONSIDER A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE NPPFA 401(A) MONEY PURCHASE PLAN DOCUMENT

A Motion to Suspend the Rules of Order to consider a Resolution approving the NPPFA 401(a) Money Purchase Plan document

Motion by: Trustee Wasag Seconded by: Trustee Caldario

Ayes: 6 Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

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A Motion to Approve and Pass a Resolution approving the NPPFA 401(a) Money Purchase Plan document

Motion by: Trustee Wasag

Seconded by: Trustee Benigno

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

**SUSPEND THE RULES OF ORDER TO CONSIDER A SPECIAL USE ORDINANCE TO PERMIT
A CAR DEALERSHIP BUSINESS ON THE PREMISES OF 4604 W. 137TH ST., UNIT A,
CRESTWOOD, ILLINOIS 60418 (MILLENIUM MOTORS)**

A Motion to Suspend the Rules of Order to consider a Special Use Ordinance to permit a
car dealership business on the premises of 4604 W. 137th St., Unit A, Crestwood, Illinois
60418 (Millenium Motors)

Motion by: Trustee Wasag

Seconded by: Trustee Caldario

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

**APPROVE AND PASS A SPECIAL USE ORDINANCE TO PERMIT A CAR DEALERSHIP
BUSINESS ON THE PREMISES OF 4604 W. 137TH ST., UNIT A, CRESTWOOD, ILLINOIS
60418 (MILLENIUM MOTORS)**

A Motion to Approve and Pass a Special Use Ordinance to permit a car dealership
business on the premises of 4604 W. 137th St., Unit A, Crestwood, Illinois 60418
(Millenium Motors)

Motion by: Trustee Wasag

Seconded by: Trustee Skala

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

**SUSPEND THE RULES OF ORDER TO CONSIDER A SPECIAL USE ORDINANCE TO PERMIT
AN AUTISM THERAPY CENTER ON THE PREMISES OF 13612 S. CICERO AVE.
CRESTWOOD, ILLINOIS 60418 (HOPE OF LIFE SERVICE, INC.)**

A Motion to Suspend the Rules of Order to consider a Special Use Ordinance to permit
an autism therapy center on the premises of 13612 S. Cicero Ave., Crestwood, Illinois
60418 (Hope of Life Service, Inc.)

Motion by: Trustee Wasag

Seconded by: Trustee Madlener

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

**APPROVE AND PASS A SPECIAL USE ORDINANCE TO PERMIT AN AUTISM THERAPY
CENTER ON THE PREMISES OF 13612 S. CICERO AVE. CRESTWOOD, ILLINOIS 60418
(HOPE OF LIFE SERVICE, INC.)**

A Motion to Approve and Pass a Special Use Ordinance to permit an autism therapy center on the premises of 13612 S. Cicero Ave., Crestwood, Illinois 60418 (Hope of Life Service, Inc.)

Motion by: Trustee Wasag

Seconded by: Trustee Pietrucha

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

POLICE

POLICE – Trustee Benigno, Chairman

**VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT CITATION ACTIVITY REPORT –
CITATIONS ISSUED/FINES COLLECTED FOR JANUARY, 2026**

The Village of Crestwood Police Department Citation activity report – Citations issued/fines collected for January, 2026 was read by Trustee Benigno with the following highlights:

Citations Issued – Local Ordinance – 20

Parking – 219

Total Citation – 239

Fines Collected - \$13,590.00 (Citations & Administrative Tows)

Total Fines Collected - \$13,590.00

VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT FOR JANUARY, 2026

The Village of Crestwood Police Department Activity report for January, 2026 was read by Trustee Benigno with the following highlights:

Total Arrests – 33

Crimes Against Property – 15
Crimes Against Property – 27
Motor Vehicle Accidents – 60

Service Calls – 158

Total miles driven by squads and jeeps – 18,931

RECREATION RECREATION – Trustee Skala, Chairman

No Report

HEALTH & SAFETY HEALTH & SAFETY – Trustee Benigno, Chairman

SCAVENGER REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2026 FOR SERVICES PERFORMED IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2026

The Scavenger report for the month of February, 2026 for services performed in the month of January, 2026 was read by Trustee Benigno with the following highlights:

Homes – 2,252 @ \$24.24 = \$56,502.68
Condos – 2127 @ \$14.25 = \$30,309.75
Recycling Processing Charge for January, 2026 - \$1,171.04
Regulatory Compliance Charge - \$87.58

TOTAL CHARGES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2026 - \$88,071.05

Total paid to republic services in February, 2026 of \$88,071.05

EMA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY – Trustee Caldario

No Report

STREETS, LIGHTS & DRAINAGE STREETS, LIGHTS, & DRAINAGE – Trustee Skala, Chairman

STREETS, LIGHTS & DRAINAGE REPORT DATED, FEBRUARY 19, 2026

The Streets, Lights, & Drainage bi-monthly report dated, February 19, 2026 was read by Trustee Skala, highlighting the following work for the last several weeks:

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES:

Vehicle & Building Maintenance

- Maintained all Police, Fire, EMA and Public Works vehicles
- Maintained all Village buildings and emptied exterior garbage cans
- Cleaned and organized the Public Works building and yard.
- Cleaned Public Works trucks, backhoes, and related equipment

- Cleaned the Police Station garage
- Greased and cleaned salt trucks and equipment
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Streetlights, Streets & Stormwater

- Repaired or serviced 6 streetlights throughout the Village
- Performed cleanup work on Midlothian Turnpike
- Checked storm sewers Village wide
- Conducted daily inspections of storm drainage outfalls
- Jetted and cleaned 4 storm sewers
- Repaired 1 stormwater inlets
- Cleaned 5 stormwater catch basins
- Performed pothole and street repairs throughout the Village
- Completed 27 JULIE locate requests

Water & Sewer System Work

- Cleaned 10 sanitary sewers
- Worked on 6 fire hydrants and 32 valves
- Serviced and exercised 1 b-box
- Repaired 1 sanitary sewer manhole
- Investigated 2 residential leak reports
- Performed sanitary drain and water line work at Ozinga Stadium
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Police Station Remodel

- Worked on the main entrance remodel
- Painted walls, doors and trim
- Painted, installed FRP and painted floor in the Police Station garage
- Worked on Clerk's Office area

Additional Projects & Seasonal Operations

- Assisted with meter reading
- Held the monthly safety meeting and completed safety training videos
- Painted walls at Ozinga Stadium
- Hauled 5 loads of dirt to the dump
- Installed gas line components for Ozinga Field
- Performed snow removal during 1 winter event, applying 10 tons of salt
- Installed insulation at dispatch center and PW building
- Cleaned and waxed floors in Biela Center
- Worked on underground at PW building

WATER & SEWER

WATER & SEWER – Trustee Pietrucha, Chairman

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT DATED FEBRUARY 19, 2026

The Water Department report dated February 19, 2026, as submitted by Robert Knez, was read by Trustee Pietrucha, highlighting the following:

- Obtained 5 final readings
- Verified 3 meter readings
- Daily readings taken at pump house
- Maintenance performed on pumps
- Checked sanitary mainlines daily
- Located 229 requests for Village utilities per J.U.L.I.E. dig notice
- Replaced 4 transponders that were obsolete
- Water samples taken this period were satisfactory
- Worked on Scada water program system
- Worked on Flow meters for MWRD requirements.
- Tested generator equipment at pump house.
- Check Altitude Valve, pump maintenance, chlorine room and security of pump house
- Cleaned pump house

WATERWORKS & SEWERAGE FUND REPORT FOR JANUARY, 2026

The Waterworks & Sewerage fund report for the month of January, 2026 was read by Trustee Pietrucha with the following highlights:

Accounts Receivable beginning balance 12/31/25 - \$99,961.36
Billing for the month of January, 2026 - \$257,011.60
Chargebacks - \$422.16
Receipts for the month of January, 2026 – (\$433,713.78)
Collections – (422.16)
Accounts Receivable ending balance 01/31/25 - \$(76,740.82)

Total Deposit at the Bank of \$433,563.78 (including online payments of \$143,946.31)

APPOINT- MENTS

APPOINTMENT/PROMOTION OF THE FOLLOWING:

A Motion to accept the following appointments:

1. None

“Subject to the filing of her Oaths”

OATHS

ACCEPTANCE OF OATHS

February 19, 2026

Police Department: Sandra Chaidez

Motion by: Trustee Benigno

Seconded by: Trustee Wasag

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Wasag, Madlener, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

OLD
BUSINESS

1. None

NEW
BUSINESS

1. Mayor Klein announced the grand opening of Lindy's at 13960 S. Cicero Ave. for Wednesday, February 25, 2026. This is a great day in Crestwood to finally have a new business on this corner.

ADJOURN-
MENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Skala and seconded by Trustee Caldario to adjourn the regular meeting of the Crestwood Village Board.

Motion by: Trustee Skala

Seconded by: Trustee Caldario

Ayes: 6

Trustees Benigno, Madlener, Wasag, Caldario, Skala
and Pietrucha

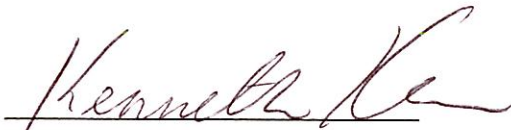
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

The regular meeting of the Crestwood Village Board was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.



CATHERINE JOHNSON, Village Clerk



KENNETH KLEIN, Mayor

3/5/26

Date