

**MINUTES
FOR THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF ORLAND HILLS, ILLINOIS
For May 20, 2026**

President Hastings called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

President Hastings called the roll with the following results. Present: President Hastings, Clerk Iannantone, Trustees: Roti, Petrey, Schmidt, Morrison, Kissane, Administrator O'Neill, Assistant Administrator Tuma, Chief Blaha, PW Director Hanley, Deputy Chief Haleem, and EMA Director Leddin.

Excused: Village Attorney

Absent: Hastings II and Treasurer Kowalski

With a quorum having been established, President Hastings led the Pledge of Allegiance and the salute to the flag.

Presidents Hastings, requested support of a motion to allow Trustee Hastings II to attend the meeting by electronic means.

A motion was made by Trustee Roti and seconded by Trustee Morrison.

Ayes: Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt.

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

Tursteer Hastings II ultimately was unable to join the meeting by electronic means.

President's Report: President Hastings

Nothing for the Village of Orland Hills; but was at a PACE budget meeting, and it was discussed that the fuel line item needed to be increased by \$20-\$30 million for PACE buses. It was also noted during this meeting that 20% of the CTA riders do not pay.

Clerk's Report: Clerk Iannantone

Clerk Iannantone requested support of a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting of the Village President and the Board of Trustees for May 6, 2026, as presented.

A motion was made by Trustee Morrison and seconded by Trustee Roti.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

Administrator's Report: Administrator O'Neill

Administrator O'Neill requested support of a motion to approve the hiring of William Deverick, Christian Knapcepek, Christos Drikos, Christopher Verdin, Yahir Valdivia, and Joshua Jesionowski as Part-Time Public Works or Part Time Recreation Summer Employees at the rate of pay of \$15.00 per hour, subject to the successful completion of position prerequisites and background clearances, as presented.

A motion was made by Trustee Schmidt and seconded by Trustee Petrey.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

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Administrator O'Neill requested support of a motion to appoint Mohammad Mohammad as a Part- Time Police Officer in the Village of Orland Hills at the rate of pay of \$22.29 per hour, subject to the successful completion of position prerequisites, background and medical clearances, as presented.

A motion was made by Trustee Roti and seconded by Trustee Petrey.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

Administrator O'Neill requested support of a motion to appoint Quentin Ronsick as a Part- Time Police Officer in the Village of Orland Hills at the rate of pay of \$22.29 per hour, subject to the successful completion of position prerequisites, background and medical clearances, as presented.

A motion was made by Trustee Roti and seconded by Trustee Petrey.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

Administrator O'Neill requested support of a motion to appoint Alexis Kennedy and Axel Diaz as Part - Time Community Service Officers in the Village of Orland Hills at the rate of pay of \$15.00 per hour, subject to the successful completion of position prerequisites, background and medical clearances, as presented.

A motion was made by Trustee Roti and seconded by Trustee Petrey.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

Clerk Iannantone swore in Part-Time Officer(s) Mohammad and Ronsick and Part-Time Community Service Officer(s) Kennedy & Diaz.

President Hastings welcomed and congratulated them all. President Hastings stated that they are working for a great Village, great Chief. It is good to start as a Community Service Officer and promote through our own.

Administrator O'Neill requested support of a motion to approve payment for Invoice #25003-012 from Planning Resources, Inc. (PRI) in the amount of \$800.00 for Construction Documentation for the Splash Pad project, as presented.

A motion was made by Trustee Morrison and seconded by Trustee Roti.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

*****COMMITTEE REPORTS*****

Finance: Trustee Petrey

Trustee Petrey motioned, seconded by Trustee Schmidt, to approve Warrant #26-27-03 being all regular bill payments for this period, which report is titled as "Miscellaneous Accounts Payable", and which report is dated May 20th, 2026 in the amount of \$354,996.86, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt.

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

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Development, Planning & Zoning Trustee Kissane – No Report

Police & Fire: Trustee ~~Hastings II~~ Roti

Trustee Roti motioned, seconded by Trustee Morrison, A motion to approve Ordinance #2026-005: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale or Disposition of Surplus Property by the Village of Orland Hills, Cook County, Illinois, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt.

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

Public Works: Trustee Schmidt – No Report

Youth, Education and Recreation: Trustee Morrison – No Report

Economic Development/ Environmental: Trustee Roti

Trustee Roti noted this week was National Public Works week and thanked Director Hanley and the Public Works department for keeping our streets clean.

Special Events: ~~Trustee Hastings II~~ – Morrison

Trustee Morrison noted Party in the Park is just a month away and hope everyone can join!

Audience Comments:

Mr. Lester Gurtler from 91st Ave. addressed the Mayor and Board by asking the following: Why is it taking so long to build the new park? When will it be completed? Pouring of 91st/161st done/going to be done? Is it a monetary issue?

Mayor Hastings commented this is the worse project he's seen in 33 years. We asked the contractor to provide a weekly timeline so we can present it to the residents and hold them accountable for the timeline they set. The contractor did a good job at Lake Lorin but both projects have been extremely frustrating.

Mayor Hastings explained the village doesn't want the streets completed until all the heavy equipment has been removed from the southside of the property as to not damage the freshly laid streets.

Administrator O'Neill noted is not a monetary issue with this project; an agreed unit price was set in an agreement. It was noted this spring has been the wettest spring in history. Last week the mechanics were out to service machines and some grading on the east side has been done. The contractor is extremely motivated to get it done. The southside apron is part of the scope for PT Ferro along with the milling and paving of 91st and 161st. Once PT Ferro is mobile this should only take 2-4 days to complete. Astro Turf has to use the southside lot for its staging area for installing the turf on the field. We are hopeful to open Labor Day.

Mr. Gurtler asked if there is anything the village could do if the contractor doesn't meet the timeline. Mayor Hastings noted the village will call their bond and hold it, if they don't get moving. Contractors do not like it when their bonds are held because holds up other potential projects for them. I call this the "field of dreams" and it will be beautiful. We will be the only small town with an indoor turf field, outdoor turf field and a real turf field. Every day this field isn't completed we are losing potential revenue.

Another resident complained about the dust and sound of machines; something has to be done about the dust, fencing, grading on the slop as there is a big drop, and how/who will maintain the weeds/back of field.

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Mayor Hastings noted the we will be meeting with engineer and staff regarding a 6ft fence but there will be no gates on the fence because of the grade of the slope on the east side of the property. It was noted we will also meet with the residents to determine the type of fencing.

Old Business: None

Adjournment:

With no further business to be heard, Trustee Schmidt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m., seconded by Trustee Morrison.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Petrey, Morrison, Kissane, Schmidt

Nays: None

Absent: Hastings II

MOTION CARRIED

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Jen Iannantone
VILLAGE CLERK