At the special meeting of the Village Board of Trustees
Held March 31, 2026

Mayor Bucciferro called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

PRESENT: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck & Mayor Bucciferro

Mayor Bucciferro stated that after review of the Tentative Budget he would like to discuss the following amendments:

- Full-Time Building Inspector position reduced to Part-Time
- Elimination of two summer employers; one DPW, one Park
- Increase amount of Fund Balance; offset by parking fees at Collins Park for non-residents, implementation of new parking system, implementation of commercial fire inspections.

Trustee Cook recommended moving garbage from a tax base system to a fee base system outside of the budget; waste collection fees would equalize the costs evenly over all parcels.

PART-TIME BUILDING INSPECTOR

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook to approve Part-Time Building Inspector position with the following amendments:

Reduce A.3620.1000 by $22,957; offset by reduction to A.0000.1001
Reduce A.3620.4000 by $4,332; offset by reduction to A.0000.1001
Reduce A.9015.8000 by $4,438; offset by reduction to A.0000.1001
Reduce A.9060.8300 by $7,085; offset by reduction to A.0000.1001
Reduce F.8310.1000 by $7,063; offset by reduction to F.0000.2140
Reduce F.8310.4000 by $900; offset by reduction to F.0000.2140
Reduce F.9010.8000 by $1,365; offset by reduction to F.0000.2140
Reduce F.9060.8300 by $2,180; offset by reduction to F.0000.2140
Reduce G8110.1000 by $5,200; offset by reduction to G.0000.2120
Reduce G.8110.4000 by $66; offset by reduction to G.0000.2120
Reduce G.9010.8000 by $1,024; offset by reduction to G.0000.2120
Reduce G.9060.8300 by $1,635; offset by reduction to G.0000.2120
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck & Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

FIRE DEPARMENT AMENDMENTS

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Gray to
Reduce A.3410.1100 by $11,000; offset by reduction to A.0000.1001
Reduce A.3410.2520 by $2,000; offset by reduction to A.0000.1001
Reduce A.3410.2521 by $500; offset by reduction to A.0000.1001
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray & Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: Trustee Solotruck
Abstentions: None

FIRE DEPARTMENT MUTUAL AID SERVICES
Trustee Brown asked for an analysis of mutual aid support provided by the Fire Department for ALS support; not fire support, and the impact of that mutual aid on the budget. Neighboring departments are not able to provide support to the Village since they do not provide the same level of training.

FIRE DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEERS
Trustee Cook asked that the Chief have a plan put into place for recruitment and retention of volunteers; to create our own volunteer base or partner with other volunteer departments. Trustee Cook asked for the Chief to be directed to hold three annual volunteer drives per year. Cook asked for a training report related to the current volunteers; Mayor will ask Chief to provide report.

RESIDENTIAL SIDEWALK PROGRAM
MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook to eliminate the sidewalk program. Reduce A.5010.4800 by $10,000; offset by decrease to A.1001 Real Estate Taxes
Ayes: Trustee Brown and Trustee Cook
Noes: Trustee Solotruck, Trustee Gray & Mayor Bucciferro
Abstentions: None

HIRING FREEZE
MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Gray to institute an immediate freeze on hiring of staff for vacated positions in which each position is evaluated for potential inter-municipal position sharing, part-time replacements, and other cost-savings.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray & Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: Trustee Solotruck
Abstentions: None

Trustee Cook would like additional information on how many students cross the intersections staffed by crossing guards without an adult; review eliminating crossing guard positions and invest into pedestrian safety signage at the crosswalks.

Trustee Brown would like additional information related to the increased revenues related to the proposed increased use of fund balance prior to amendment.

PURCHASE ORDER
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown to authorize the mayor to sign the purchase order with Budget Blinds in the amount of $14,126.31 related to the Municipal Facilities Project-Phase 2.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck & Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

ADJOURNMENT
MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gray adjourn the meeting at 9:05p.m.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck & Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz
Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees