



Village of Oak Park

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Meeting Minutes – President and Board of Trustees

Tuesday, October 14, 2025, 7:00 pm, Village Hall, Council Chambers (Room 201)

I. **Call to Order:** Village President Scaman called the Meeting to order at 7: 08 P.M.

II. **Roll Call Attendance:** Clerk Waters took the roll call as follows:

Present: Village Trustees: Eder, Enyia, Leving-Jacobson, Straw, Taglia and Wesley; and Village President Scaman.

Note: Trustee Leving-Jacobson attended remotely; President Scaman the reason as "due to illness."

Absent: None.

Also Present: Village Clerk Waters.

A quorum was present.

III. **Agenda Approval.**

President Scaman stated that as part of the Agenda approval, item H, "MOT 25-239, A Motion to Accept Pivot Consulting Group's Phase 5 Report Regarding Police Oversight Recommendations," is to be removed from the Consent Agenda and moved to the Regular Agenda.

President Scaman then called for a Motion regarding the Agenda as amended.

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Eder, seconded by Trustee Wesley to **Approve** the Agenda as amended.

- There were no questions, comments or discussion from or by the Board.
 - President Scaman called for a voice vote; all voted in favor and none were opposed.
 - **Motion carried** unanimously on a Voice Vote.
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IV. **Minutes.** None.

V. **Non-Agenda Public Comment.**

President Scaman asked whether there were any persons wanting to be heard or otherwise make public comments, to which one person responded.

Macey Majkrzak introduced herself and stated that she is a resident of Oak Park, and that she is appearing on behalf of "Oak Park Climate Action Network" to voice support for the "gas powered leaf blower ban" and to encourage education for and outreach to the landscapers regarding the ban so that the ban is not delayed in being administered.

There were no other public comments at this point in the meeting.

VI. **Proclamations.**

- A. [MOT 25-248](#). A Motion to Approve a Proclamation Declaring Ageism Awareness Day on October 9, 2025.

President Scaman read aloud the title of MOT 25-248 as follows: A Motion to Approve a Proclamation Declaring Ageism Awareness Day on October 9, 2025.

President Scaman then called for a Motion regarding the Proclamation.

A **Motion to Approve** said Proclamation was made by Trustee Wesley, seconded by Trustee Straw.

President Scaman asked Trustee Leving-Jacobson to read aloud the Proclamation for all present, which Leving-Jacobson did.

The Proclamation was presented to Marc Blesoff, Chair of the Oak Park Aging in Communities Commission ("AIC"), who thanked the Board and stated that he looks forward to working with the Board to advance the mission of the AIC Commission.

- There were no questions, comments or discussion from or by the Board.
 - President Scaman called for a voice vote; all voted in favor and none were opposed.
 - **Motion carried** unanimously on a Voice Vote.
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- B. [MOT 25-249](#). A Motion to Approve a Proclamation Declaring Monday, October 13, 2025 as Indigenous Peoples' Day in Oak Park, IL.

President Scaman read aloud the title of MOT 25-249 as follows: A Motion to Approve a Proclamation Declaring Monday, October 13, 2025 as Indigenous Peoples' Day in Oak Park, IL.

President Scaman then called for a Motion regarding the Proclamation.

A **Motion to Approve** said Proclamation was made by Trustee Eder, seconded by Trustee Wesley.

President Scaman asked Trustee Enyia to read aloud the Proclamation for all present, which Enyia did.

- There were no questions, comments or discussion from or by the Board.
 - President Scaman called for a voice vote; all voted in favor and none were opposed.
 - **Motion carried** unanimously on a Voice Vote.
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C. [MOT 25-252](#). A Motion to Approve a Proclamation Declaring October 2025 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Oak Park, IL.

President Scaman read aloud the title of MOT 25-249 as follows: A Motion to Approve a Proclamation Declaring October 2025 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Oak Park, IL.

President Scaman then called for a Motion regarding the Proclamation.

A **Motion to Approve** said Proclamation was made by Trustee Straw, seconded by Trustee Wesley.

President Scaman read aloud the Proclamation for all present.

The Proclamation was presented to Carol Gall, Executive Director of Sarah's Inn, who thanked the Board and announced the 45th anniversary of Sarah's Inn and their annual fundraiser on October 18, 2025.

- There were no questions, comments or discussion from or by the Board.
- President Scaman called for a voice vote; all voted in favor and none were opposed.
- **Motion carried** unanimously on a Voice Vote.

President Scaman and Carol Gall of Sarah's Inn posed for photographs in front of the Board of Trustees.

VII. **Village Manager Reports.**

D. [ID 25-575](#). Review of the Tentative Board Meeting Calendars for October, November, and December 2025.

Village Manager Kevin Jackson stated that the updated Board meeting calendars revolve around the changes to the budget schedule, that the budget adoption date is December 2, 2025, and, that on November 20, there will be a discussion of options regarding work to

be performed to the Police Department and Village Hall, and their possible impacts to the budget, as well as long term financial planning, and the Capital Improvement Plan.

President Scaman asked whether there were any questions or comments; there were none.

VIII. **Village Board Committees.** None; no action was taken regarding this item.

IX. **Citizen Commission Vacancies.**

E. [ID 25-589](#). Board and Commission Vacancy Report for October 14, 2025. This report lists the expected number of members, current number of members seated and number of active vacancies for the Village's 18 citizen boards and commissions. There are currently 21 vacancies. President Scaman stated that anyone interested in serving on a board or commission should contact Clerk Waters at clerkwaters@oak-park.us.

X. **Citizen Commission Appointments, Reappointments and Chair Appointments.**

F. [MOT 25-250](#). A Motion to Consent to the Village President's Appointment of: Community Relations Commission – Zach Carstensen, Appoint as Commissioner, Community Relations Commission – Bridgett Allen Hedgeman, Appoint as Commissioner, Disability Access Commission – Gary Arnold, Reappoint as Chair, Environment & Energy Commission – Chris Pinc, Appoint as Commissioner, Liquor Control Review Board – Maureen McLachlan, Appoint as Member.

President Scaman read aloud the list of the five proposed appointments, and called for a Motion regarding same.

A **Motion to Approve** said Motion to Consent to the Village President's Appointments was made by Trustee Eder, seconded by Trustee Straw.

- There were no questions, comments or discussion from or by the Board.
- President Scaman called for a voice vote; all voted in favor and none were opposed.
- **Motion carried** unanimously on a Voice Vote.

President Scaman congratulated those individuals who were just appointed, and thanked all individuals who serve on boards and commissions that advise the Village Board on the work before the Board.

XI. **Consent Agenda.** The following items comprise the "Consent Agenda:"

- G. **MOT 25-236** A Motion to Approve the August 2025 Monthly Treasurer's Report for All Funds.
- I. **MOT 25-247** A Motion to Concur with the Transportation Commission's Recommendations for Traffic Calming at the Northwest Oak Park Traffic Study and Direct Staff to Prepare the Necessary Ordinances.
- J. **ORD 25-171** An Ordinance Granting an Extension of a Special Use Permit for a Major Planned Development at the Property Located at 1106 Madison Street.
- K. **ORD 25-194** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 15 ("Motor Vehicles and Traffic"), Article 1 ("In General"), Section 14 ("Prohibited Turn Locations") of the Oak Park Village Code
- L. **RES 25-266** A Resolution Approving the Renewal of the Contractor Services Agreement with Occupational Health Centers of Illinois, P.C. d/b/a Concentra Medical Centers and Authorizing Its Execution.
- M. **RES 25-268** A Resolution Approving the Purchase of Temporary Construction and Permanent Sidewalk Easements on Oak Park Avenue and Authorizing Execution of the Required Documents.
- N. **RES 25-269** A Resolution Approving the 2026 Employee Health, Dental, Vision, Life, Accidental Death and Dismemberment, Accident, and Critical Illness Insurance Providers' Plan Designs and Premiums and Authorizing Their Execution.
- O. **RES 25-270** A Resolution Accepting Planning and Technical Assistance Services Delivered by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with CMAP for Technical Assistance for a Pavement Management Plan and Authorizing its Execution.
- P. **RES 25-273** A Resolution Approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Village of Oak Park and The Automobile Mechanics' International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAM), AFL-CIO Local 701 for the Period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028, and Authorizing its Execution.

Note: Item [H. MOT 25-239](#) was removed from the Consent Agenda by Board motion and vote (see above at Section III, Agenda Approval). See Section immediately below for the summary and action taken regarding item H. MOT 25-239, A Motion to Accept Pivot Consulting Group's Phase 5 Report Regarding Police Oversight Recommendations.

President Scaman asked for a Motion regarding the Consent Agenda as amended to remove item H, MOT 25-239, as noted above.

There was a **Motion** by Trustee Straw, seconded by Trustee Eder, to **Approve** the Consent Agenda as amended.

- President Scaman asked whether there were any further questions or comments from the Board; there were none, and no further discussion ensued regarding the Consent Agenda or its items listed therein.
- President Scaman then asked Clerk Waters to take the roll call vote, which was taken as follows:

Roll Call Vote:

- **Ayes:** Village Trustees: Straw, Eder, Enyia, Leving-Jacobson, Taglia, Wesley; and Village President Scaman.
- **Nays:** None.
- **Abstentions:** None.
- **Absent:** None.

Motion Carried by a count of 7 "aye" votes to 0 "nay," 0 abstain, and 0 absent.

Agenda items G and I through and including P were therefore adopted.

**XII. Regular Agenda for Items Pursuant to Village Code Chapter 3
Alcoholic Liquor Dealers or Related.**

- Q. [ORD 25-195](#). Concur with the Liquor Control Review Board and Adopt an Ordinance Amending Chapter 3 ("Alcoholic Liquor Dealers"), Article 8 ("List of Licenses for Each License Class"), Section 3-8-1 ("Number of Licenses Permitted to be Issued Per License Class") and Section 3-8-2 ("Licenses by Name and Address Per License") of the Oak Park Village Code for the Issuance of a Restaurant Class B-6 License to Keya's Kreations DBA Color Me Mine.

President Scaman read aloud the title of Ordinance 25-195 as written hereinabove.

President Scaman asked for a Motion regarding Ordinance 25-195.

There was a **Motion** by Trustee Straw, seconded by Trustee Eder, to **Adopt** said Ordinance 25-195.

- A speaker gave her name as "Anju" and stated that she is the owner of "Color Me Mine," located at 124 N. Oak Park Avenue, described the said business as a "ceramic pottery painting business," and stated that she is seeking a "BYOB" liquor license.
- President Scaman asked whether there were any further questions or comments from the Board; there none.
- President Scaman then asked Clerk Waters to take the roll call vote, which was taken as follows:

Roll Call Vote:

- **Ayes:** Village Trustees Straw, Eder, Enyia, Leving-Jacobson, Taglia, Wesley; and Village President Scaman.
- **Nays:** None.
- **Abstentions:** None.
- **Absent:** None.

Motion Carried by a count of 7 "aye" votes to 0 "nay," 0 abstain, and 0 absent.

XIII. **Regular Agenda**

- H. **MOT 25-239** A Motion to Accept Pivot Consulting Group's Phase 5 Report Regarding Police Oversight Recommendations.

Note: This Agenda item was removed from the Consent Agenda by Board motion and vote (see above at Section III, Agenda Approval). Below is the summary and action taken regarding item H. **MOT 25-239**.

President Scaman asked for a Motion regarding MOT 25-239 which was removed from the above Consent Agenda, the title of which she read aloud as follows: A Motion to Accept Pivot Consulting Group's Phase 5 Report Regarding Police Oversight Recommendations.

There was a **Motion** by Trustee Taglia, seconded by Trustee Enyia, to **Approve** the said Motion to Accept Pivot Consulting Group's Report.

Village Manager Kevin Jackson stated that this Agenda item relates to the Pivot Consulting Group's Report, the Village's Citizens Police Oversight Committee recommendations, and, the Board discussions held in September regarding the said report and recommendations. Jackson introduced Assistant Village Manager and Human Resources Director Kira Tchang, who stated that staff recommends taking the currently

vacant part-time position of a research analyst in DEI and turning the position into a full-time DEI analyst or manager role that would also be responsible for operationalizing police oversight within the organization, and using DEI principles within the organization as a guide for that work.

HR Director Tchang also stated that the full-time position would include the following responsibilities: handling a wide variety of police oversight related tasks; implementing an updated ordinance and procedural rules for the police oversight committee; working with the committee and the police department on complaint intakes and monitoring the complaints to conclusion; conducting data analysis, trend analysis and policy analysis for items related to police oversight; advancing in-house community engagement on the issue of police oversight; working closely with the Village's DEI office, the citizen police oversight committee and with the community, and potentially serving as a staff liaison to the citizen oversight committee.

The Board members then engaged in a question and answer session with HR Director Tchang and Village Manager Jackson. Trustee Wesley stated that he supported the "Pivot report," except for the addition of a full-time employment position, which he opposes, and further stated that he did not want to vote against the report, that he would vote if needed to "split the vote," otherwise he would leave the vote to the discretion of the Board.

Village Manager Jackson reminded all present that the position relating to police oversight as proposed by staff is one-half of a full-time position since the other one-half is currently a vacant DEI part-time position.

The Board members then discussed whether "accepting" the report as the Motion is written meant also accepting all recommendations therein and the financial repercussions associated with the recommendations. President Scaman stated that the Motion uses the terminology of "accepting" a report, which does not preclude the need to examine financing of items within the report, and, that the budget process remains intact which includes opportunities to discuss specific budget items in up-coming meetings.

At the conclusion of the Board and staff discussion, President Scaman asked whether there were any further questions or comments from the Board. There were none, and no further discussion ensued regarding agenda item H, **MOT 25-239**.

- President Scaman then asked Clerk Waters to take the roll call vote, which was taken as follows:

Roll Call Vote:

- **Ayes:** Village Trustees: Eder, Enyia, Leving-Jacobson, Straw, Taglia; and Village President Scaman.
- **Nays:** None.

- **Abstentions:** Trustee Wesley.
- **Absent:** None.

Motion Carried by a count of 6 "aye" votes to 0 "nay," 1 abstain, and 0 absent.

- R. [RES 25-265](#). A Resolution Approving an Extended Term and Special Services Agreement Amendment No. 5 with MC Squared Energy Services, LLC for the Oak Park Community Choice Aggregation Program through December 2028 and Authorizing Its Execution.

President Scaman called for a Motion regarding **RES 25-265**, the title of which she read aloud for all present as follows: A Resolution Approving an Extended Term and Special Services Agreement Amendment No. 5 with MC Squared Energy Services, LLC for the Oak Park Community Choice Aggregation Program through December 2028 and Authorizing Its Execution.

A **Motion to Approve** said Ordinance was made by Trustee Wesley, seconded by Trustee Eder.

Village Manager Jackson gave a brief summary of this Resolution and introduced Chief Sustainability Officer Lindsey Nieratka who summarized the contract with MC Squared Energy Services and stated that the next agenda item, specifically item S, **RES 25-276**, includes the "non-marketing and solicitation" Agreement that was requested by the Board at a Village Board meeting last month.

The Board members then discussed this Agenda item and underlying Resolution. At the conclusion of the Board and staff discussion, President Scaman asked whether there were any further questions or comments from the Board. There were none, and no further discussion ensued regarding agenda item RES 25-276.

- President Scaman then asked Clerk Waters to take the roll call vote, which was taken as follows:

Roll Call Vote:

- **Ayes:** Village Trustees: Wesley, Eder, Enyia, Leving-Jacobson, Straw, Taglia; and Village President Scaman.
- **Nays:** None.
- **Abstentions:** None.
- **Absent:** None.

Motion Carried by a count of 7 "aye" votes to 0 "nay," 0 abstain, and 0 absent.

- S. [**RES 25-276**](#). A Resolution Approving a Non-marketing and Sales Solicitation Agreement with Interstate Gas Supply, LLC D/B/A IGS Energy and Authorizing its Execution.

President Scaman called for a Motion regarding **RES 25-276**, the title of which she read aloud for all present as follows: A Resolution Approving a Non-marketing and Sales Solicitation Agreement with Interstate Gas Supply, LLC D/B/A IGS Energy and Authorizing its Execution.

A **Motion to Approve** said Resolution was made by Trustee Straw, seconded by Trustee Eder.

- President Scaman asked whether there were any further questions or comments from the Board. There were none, and no further discussion ensued regarding **RES 25-276**.
- President Scaman then asked Clerk Waters to take the roll call vote, which was taken as follows:

Roll Call Vote:

- **Ayes:** Village Trustees: Straw, Eder, Enyia, Leving-Jacobson, Taglia, Wesley, and Village President Scaman.
- **Nays:** None.
- **Abstentions:** None.
- **Absent:** None.

Motion Carried by a count of 7 "aye" votes to 0 "nay," 0 abstain, and 0 absent.

- T. [**MOT 25-246**](#). A Motion by Trustee Straw and Seconded by Trustee Enyia for a Presentation by IAFF Local 95 Regarding A Staffing Study Prepared by the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) on behalf of IAFF Local 95.

President Scaman read aloud the title of **MOT 25-246** for all present as follows: A Motion by Trustee Straw and Seconded by Trustee Enyia for a Presentation by IAFF Local 95 Regarding A Staffing Study Prepared by the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) on behalf of IAFF Local 95.

President Scaman called upon Village Manager Jackson who stated this item and its "companion item," item U, **MOT 25-253**, will entail presentations from the fire fighters' union and an assessment conducted by Baker Tilly, both of which are for the Board's consideration in examining staffing and operations within the fire department.

Robert Toth introduced himself as the President of the Oak Park Fire Fighters' Union Local 95, which commissioned a "performance study" with the International Association of Fire

Fighters." Toth stated that the study was at no cost to the Village or taxpayers, and he introduced Adam Smith who he stated was a "data expert" and Oak Park firefighter. Smith then delivered a presentation including a summary of the "Oak Park Fire Fighters Local 95 Manning Study."

Smith stated that the presentation will include an analysis of community risk, a workload analysis, current response coverages and recommendations for staffing and response moving forward. Smith summarized the current staffing of the three fire houses as follows:

- 1) Station 1 is located at 100 N. Euclid and has 1 fire truck, 2 ambulances, a command vehicle ("command 620"), and, 8 fire fighters / paramedics (3 dedicated for the truck and 2 per ambulance), including a Battalion Chief;
- 2) Station 2 is located at 212 Augusta and has 1 engine and 3 fire fighters; and
- 3) Station 3 is located at 900 S. East Avenue and has 1 engine, 1 ambulance, and 5 fire fighters (3 dedicated for the engine and 2 for the ambulance).

Smith stated that the department has a total of 16 fire fighters minimum per day, to cover the 3 fire houses, working 24 hour shifts, and, added that the department is "very rarely" able to staff that minimum number of fire fighters, so it relies "heavily" on overtime to meet the minimum staffing levels and incurs approximately \$1,000,000 in over-time pay each year.

Smith summarized short term recommendations, including increasing staff to a minimum of four fire fighters for each fire apparatus, and adding "a staff aid for command 620."

Smith also summarized long term recommendations, including the following:

- 1) Rebuild station #2;
- 2) Move an ambulance to station #2;
- 3) Add an engine to station #1; and
- 4) Increase staffing to 6 fire fighters on all fire apparatus.

Smith highlighted the standards set by the National Fire Protection Association, and OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration), and provided examples of fires in Oak Park and related issues in responding to those fires. Smith also discussed a detailed map of Oak Park, its roads, coverage of areas and response times for areas. Smith also provided a workload analysis, various building hazards, and, Oak Park's risk factors, including its population density, "vulnerable" age groups, and other factors that contribute to fire risks such as vacant housing, and people with disabilities or who live in poverty, and the age of homes.

Robert Toth returned and concluded the presentation, and asked whether the Board had any questions or comments regarding the presentation. The Board unanimously agreed to first hear the presentation from Baker Tilly that is within the next agenda item, item U,

MOT 25-253, prior to engaging in discussion regarding the presentation given by the fire fighters and their union.

U. **MOT 25-253**. Motion to Receive the Fire Department Organizational Assessment Conducted by Baker Tilly.

President Scaman then read aloud Agenda item U, **MOT 25-253**, as follows: Motion to Receive the Fire Department Organizational Assessment Conducted by Baker Tilly.

Village Manager Jackson provided background regarding the reasoning behind the need for the studies that are being presented this evening, and, stated that in 2022, a third ambulance was approved due to an increase in EMS calls, which has, in part, prompted attention to the amount of EMS calls and responses by the fire department. Jackson stated that no Board action is required this evening but that the Board members should receive the studies and presentations and examine and use them in the budget discussions and in navigating strategic financial planning.

Jackson then called upon Deputy Village Manager Lisa Shelley who introduced Fire Chief Joseph Terry, Deputy Fire Chief Robert Murphy, Interim Chief Financial Officer Donna Gayden, and also Carol Jacobs, the Managing Director of Baker Tilly, Ned Pettus, Special Advisor, and Steve Toller, the director and lead on the Village's long-term financial plan.

Carol Jacobs summarized the background of Dr. Ned Pettus, and then delivered the presentation titled "Village of Oak Park Fire Department Organization Assessment Report Presentation, October 14, 2025." Jacobs summarized the project scope and major observations, including the reasons for the excessive amount of over-time pay, and their finding that the "22-person maximum and 16-person minimum staffing levels are appropriate, given call volume and response times."

Jacobs summarized the major focus areas of Baker Tilly's assessment, including department staffing and personnel, facilities, apparatus and equipment, operations and revenues and expenditures. Jacobs highlighted average daily calls for service over the time period of 2019 through 2024, and response times from 2017 through 2024. Jacobs summarized Baker Tilly's "Key Recommendations Recap" which included the following list of items:

- Continue to maintain the 16-person minimum staffing level.
- Hire a full-time training officer position.
- Calculate UHUs (Unit Hour Utilization) for ambulance and fire apparatus and compare to utilization standards.
- Review recruitment operations related to diversity, background/screening checks, and fire fighter training,
- Assess the need for the fourth ambulance after gathering additional years of service call data.

- Explore funding opportunities and staffing requirements for a two-person squad vehicle.

Steve Toler, a Director with Baker Tilly, then introduced himself and stated that his presentation focuses on the financial analysis of the implications of the proposal submitted by the fire fighters' union. Toler delivered his presentation titled "Village of Oak Park Fiscal Analysis of Fire Proposals, October 14, 2025." Toler explained the Baker Tilly findings and estimated costs involved in the "short term" union proposal and the "long term" union proposal. Toler also explained the anticipated personnel costs, incremental cost analysis for both the short-term and long-term union proposals, and, a summary of incremental costs.

At the conclusion of Toler's presentation, the Board members engaged in a question and answer session which included Fire Chief Terry, the representatives of Baker Tilly, and the representatives of the fire fighters' union. Discussion topics included the following: the difference between the Baker Tilly recommendations and those of the fire fighters' union for hiring additional fire fighter/ paramedics, how to reduce over-time pay, what the minimum "safe" staffing numbers should be, the vehicles that are appropriate for the needs of the community and their quantity, and, the issue of the disparity between the increased numbers of service calls and the lack in increase of the number of staff.

At 9:58 pm, President Scaman called for a Motion. There was a **Motion** by Trustee Eder, seconded by Trustee Straw, to continue the discussion and meeting beyond 10: 00 pm.

- There were no questions or comments, or discussion by the Board regarding the Motion.
- President Scaman called for a voice vote; all voted in favor and none were opposed.
- **Motion carried** unanimously on a Voice Vote.

Discussion continued regarding the Baker Tilly assessment report and presentation and that of the fire fighters' union. At the conclusion of discussion addressing Agenda item T, the fire fighters' union proposal, and Agenda item U, the Baker Tilly assessment, President Scaman asked whether a vote is necessary regarding the two Agenda items. Village Manager Jackson then stated that the intention was for the Board members to receive the reports and not vote on "accepting" the reports, and, that Jackson will work with staff and investigate the very significant issues and bring forth recommendations including their financial implications during the budget process.

President Scaman then asked for a Motion regarding Agenda item U, **MOT 25-253**.

There was a **Motion** by Trustee Straw, seconded by Trustee Enyia to Receive the Fire Department Organizational Assessment Conducted by Baker Tilly.

- President Scaman then asked Clerk Waters to take the roll call vote, which was taken as follows:

Roll Call Vote:

- **Ayes:** Village Trustees Straw, Enyia, Eder, Leving-Jacobson, Taglia, Wesley, and Village President Scaman.
- **Nays:** None.
- **Abstentions:** None.
- **Absent:** None.

Motion Carried by a count of 7 "aye" votes to 0 "nay," 0 abstain, and 0 absent.

- V. [**MOT 25-254**](#). A Motion by Trustee Wesley and Seconded by Trustee Taglia to Suspend Enforcement of the Leaf Blower Ordinance Temporarily.

President Scaman read aloud for all present the title of Agenda item V, **MOT 25-254**, as follows: A Motion by Trustee Wesley and Seconded by Trustee Taglia to Suspend Enforcement of the Leaf Blower Ordinance Temporarily.

President Scaman then called for a Motion.

A **Motion** to "Hear" the Motion to Suspend Enforcement of the Leaf Blower Ordinance Temporarily was made by Trustee Wesley, seconded by Trustee Eder.

There was general discussion between the Board members regarding the issues of sustainability and how the ban on gas-powered leaf blowers supports sustainability goals, and, how the population of landscapers using the leaf blowers include individuals targeted by ICE and the fear and anxiety experienced by those individuals is increased by the leaf blower ban. The Board agreed on conducting outreach, and distributing "know your rights" cards to landscapers.

Neighborhood Services Director Jonathan Burch then advised the Board of the outreach that occurred and the procedures involved in issuing tickets and the requirement of adjudication judges to see photographs taken by Village inspectors of individuals using the leaf blowers on the property whose owner is being cited.

The Board members unanimously agreed that the inspectors would be instructed to no longer take photographs of the landscapers, and that affidavits should instead be submitted in support of witnessing the use of leaf blowers on the subject property on the date and time as alleged. The Board also unanimously agreed that only homeowners, not landscapers, would be cited or ticketed, and, they agreed to revisit the topic should the

affidavits not be sufficient and citations be dismissed in an amount to warrant discussing the matter further to derive an alternative solution.

Trustees Wesley and Eder then withdrew their Motion.

No vote was taken and no action took place with regard to this Agenda item.

XIV. **Call to Board and Clerk.**

Trustees Enyia and Leving-Jacobson each gave opinion statements regarding community issues. Clerk Waters, Trustees Wesley, Straw, Eder and Taglia, and President Scaman "passed" on providing statements.

XV. **Adjourn.**

There being no further business before the Village Board, a **Motion** was made by Trustee Wesley, Seconded by Trustee Straw, to **Adjourn** this meeting at 11:03 p.m.

President Scaman called for a voice vote; all voted in favor and none were opposed.

Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Interim Deputy Clerk Marjorie A. Manchen