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>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, WHAT IS IT, LIKE 6:33 PM?  
OKAY, I CALLED THIS MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD TO ORDER, CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE.

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, TRUSTEE WESLEY, PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HERE.  
OKAY, WE DO HAVE QUORUM AND I WOULD LIKE TO ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION TO GREG -

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: DISCUSSED THE PURCHASE RELEASE FOR THE VILLAGE FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING WHETHER A PARTICULAR PARCEL SHOULD BE ACQUIRED PURSUANT TO 5 ILCS 120/2(c) UNDER 5.

>>SPEAKER: MOVE.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, PRESIDENT SCAMAN?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES, SEE YOU ALL SOON.  
THANK YOU.

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(CLOSED SESSION)

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>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HELLO, EVERYBODY.  
SO, IT IS 7:26 PM.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE.

I WOULD LIKE TO CALL -- I WOULD LIKE TO RECONVENE THE MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD, CLERK WATERS, WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL?

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, TRUSTEE WESLEY AND PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HERE.

THANK YOU.

ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS HAS BEEN PRESENTED?

>>SPEAKER: MOVED TO.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE STRAW AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE EDER PEERED ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)

AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES -- ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)

AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ANY NON-AGENDA PUBLIC, THIS EVENING?

>>CLERK WATERS: YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, IF YOU WILL PLEASE PROCEED.

>>CLERK WATERS: I'M HAVING A HARD TIME READING - T?

MAYBE ADAM?

YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WELCOME.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US.

>>SPEAKER: ALL RIGHT.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

ADAM M, I LIVE AT THE 1150 SAFETY SOUTHPARK WHERE KYLE MEETS ROOSEVELT, PETE'S HOTDOGS IF ANYBODY GOES OVER THERE.

THAT IS THE AREA.

SOME OF YOU MAY BE FAMILIAR WITH ME.

I HAVE SPOKEN HERE A HANDFUL OF TIMES ABOUT A PARTICULAR BAR NAMED "MIKE'S PLACE" AND THE VIOLENCE AND DRUNKS AND PROBLEMS THAT HAPPEN THERE APPEARED I WANT TO PLAY SOMETHING FOR YOU - LET ME SEE IF I CAN TURN THIS UP A LITTLE BIT.

CAN YOU HEAR THAT?

THERE IS MORE.

SO, THAT WAS RECORDED 10 DAYS AGO ON MY FRONT PORCH IN OAK PARK.

I DO NOT KNOW HOW MANY TIMES WE HAVE COME HERE TO TELL YOU AND TO TELL THE POLICE THAT THIS IS A PROBLEM.

I AM TIRED OF WAKING UP AT ONE IN THE MORNING TO THE SPIRIT IT HAS NOT ENDED AND NONE OF YOU HAVE DONE ANYTHING ABOUT IT.

WE HAVE TRIED TOWING.  
YOU DO NOT ENFORCE THE TOWING.  
I WILL CALL THE POLICE TO SAY THERE ARE 20 CARS OUT HERE.  
THEY DO NOT TOE.  
IT IS UP TO OUR DISCRETION THEY SAY.  
NO IT IS NOT.  
IT IS A TOW ZONE.  
SO, NOW WE ARE ON THE 12TH YEAR OF THAT BUILDING.  
THIS WAS 10 DAYS AGO ON MY FRONT PORCH OVER 35 SHOTS FIRED AND THEY  
SOUND AUTOMATIC.  
RIGHT THERE.  
THERE IS THE OAK PARK FRIENDS DAYCARE.  
THEY HAD BULLETS FOR THE WINDOWS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAD BULLETS GO  
THROUGH THEIR WINDOWS.  
WHAT IS YOUR ANSWER?  
I HAVE GOT PTSD FROM YEARS OF THE SPIRIT THIS IS THE FOURTH MASTER  
SHOOTING IN THREE YEARS BECAUSE OF MIKE'S PLACE.  
YOU HAVE DONE NOTHING AND YOU SAY IT ISN'T IRWIN.  
WE ALL KNOW IT HAS BEEN IN BERLIN.  
IT HAS BEEN IN THERE FOR 11 YEARS, HOW MANY SHOOTINGS DOES IT TAKE?  
HOW MANY BULLETS COMING INTO OAK PARK DOES IT TAKE?  
I HAD 34 SHOTS FIRED DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF MY HOUSE TWO YEARS AGO AND YOU  
DID NOTHING.  
NOTHING.  
AND THESE YOUNG KIDS ARE HERE TALKING ABOUT HOW GOVERNMENT WORKS  
AND STUFF LIKE THAT.  
PLEASE BE AN EXAMPLE.  
YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING.  
THE FIRST THING I WANT FROM YOU IS FOR SOME REASON, YOU ALLOWED MIKE'S  
PLACE TO HAVE PARKING FROM THE ALLEYWAY ON KYLE ROOSEVELT.  
IS THAT MY TIME?  
GET RID OF THAT.  
I DON'T WANT THEM ANYWHERE ON KYLER.  
I KNOW THE PEOPLE ON HIGHLAND ARE TERRORIZED BY THIS BAR.  
GET RID OF THE PARKING ON HIGHLAND FROM THE ALLEYWAY TO ROOSEVELT.  
DO NOT GIVE ANYONE SPACE TO PARK.  
    >>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I APPRECIATE YOU BEING HERE.  
WE HAVE TAKEN EVERY AVENUE THAT WE CAN AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO.  
THANK YOU.  
AND WE DO HAVE A LOVELY PROCLAMATION THIS EVENING.  
THERE IS MORE?  
PLEASE.  
    >>CLERK WATERS: TERRY?

>>SPEAKER: I HAVE BEEN IN OAK PARK FOR A LONG TIME AND I AM WONDERING HOW MANY PEOPLE KNOW THE EVENTS OF HALLOWEEN NIGHT, LATE AT NIGHT ALONG LAKE STREET IN OAK PARK?  
HOW MANY PEOPLE KNOW?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IT IS YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, MA'AM.

>>SPEAKER: ALL RIGHT, THERE WERE 500 TEENAGERS.  
ONE WIELDED A GUN.  
IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT A GUN WAS SHOT IN THE PROPERTY AND THERE WAS ANOTHER TEENAGER SWINGING A BAT AND THE CHIEF OF OAK PARK POLICE WHO I ADMIRE GREATLY CALLED FOR HELP AND WE RECEIVED HELP.  
WE RECEIVED HELP FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN RIVER FOREST AND I BELIEVE A FEW OTHERS AND THEY DID A FANTASTIC JOB.

THAT SAME WEEK, IS ANYONE HERE FROM THE JOURNAL?

THAT SAME WEEK I READ AN EDITORIAL ABOUT THIS IS HORRIBLE.

TWO OF THE RIVER FOREST COPS SHOT PEPPER BALLS INTO THE GROUND.

WE MUST INVESTIGATE.

WHO ARE YOU CRITICIZING?

THE RIVER FOREST POLICE WHO WE NEED WHO CAME TO HELP WHO ARE TRAINED?  
HOW MANY PEOPLE START THEIR MORNING EVERY DAY REALIZING THAT THAT MAY BE THEIR LAST DAY ON EARTH?

I WANT TO SUPPORT THE POLICE AND I WANT TO APPLAUD THEM AND I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU.

AND THAT TYPE OF EDITORIAL HAS NO PLACE IN THIS VILLAGE.

AND I AM WILLING TO VOLUNTEER TO GO INTO THE SCHOOLS, TALK TO THE PRINCIPLES, THEY KNOW WHO - THE STUDENTS THEMSELVES KNOW WHO THEY ARE.  
WHY IS THIS ACCEPTABLE?

I TALKED TO ONE OF THE OAK PARK SERGEANTS WHO WORKED THE YEAR BEFORE AND HE SAID IT WAS EVEN WORSE, BECAUSE THERE WAS MAJOR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

AND HE TOLD ME THAT HE WAS SCHEDULED TO WORK HALLOWEEN, 2026 AND HE IS DREADING IT.

SO, WHERE IS THE SUPPORT?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.  
ANYONE ELSE?

>>CLERK WATERS: THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, I BELIEVE?  
MATT?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HELLO.

>>SPEAKER: GOOD EVENING.

I AM ROBERT T, PRESIDENT OAK PARK FIREFIGHTERS 95 PEERED ON BEHALF OF LOCAL 95 WE ARE HERE TO SAY THANK YOU TO PRESIDENT SCAMAN AND THE VILLAGE BOARD AND MANAGER JACKSON FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC SAFETY OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS, SPECIFICALLY WITHIN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS THEY DO PERMIT HAS IMPROVED SIGNIFICANTLY AND THERE HAS BEEN RENOVATIONS AT EVERY FIRE STATION AND WE HAVE HAD

EQUIPMENT UPGRADES INCLUDING THE FIRE TRUCK THIS YEAR AND WE HAVE ESTABLISHED THE THIRD FULL-TIME AMBULANCE THROUGH STAFFING INCREASES AND WE HAVE ADDED AN ADDITIONAL SEVEN NEW HIRES WHICH INCLUDES TRAINING FOR THE ENTIRE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

AND THESE THINGS WILL TRANSLATE SIGNIFICANTLY INTO THE SERVICE ASPECT FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THIS VILLAGE AND WE ARE ETERNALLY THANKFUL FOR THAT.

SOME ARE ON-DUTY AND SOME ARE OFF-DUTY, WE ARE HERE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THE COMMITMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT AND TO THE SERVICE ASPECT OF THE VILLAGE.

WE APPRECIATE IT.

THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SO, MOVING FORWARD TO THE PROCLAMATIONS AND I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE A PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF THE FENWICK HIGH SCHOOL, 2025 IHSA CLASS 6A FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED TO.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MUSCLE BY TRUSTEE STRAW AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE WESLEY AND I WOULD ASK TRUSTEE STRAW IF HE WOULD READ THE PROCURATION ALLOWED FOR US.

THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: IN RECOGNITION OF THE CLASS 6A FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS, WHEREAS, FENWICK HIGH SCHOOL, LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK, ILLINOIS, IS A DOMINICAN CATHOLIC COLLEGE PREPARATORY INSTITUTION COMMITTED TO EDUCATING STUDENTS TO LEAD, ACHIEVE, AND SERVE IN A DIVERSE AND DISCIPLINED ENVIRONMENT; AND WHEREAS, THE FENWICK FRIARS VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF HEAD COACH MATT BATTAGLIA, COMPLETED THE 2025 SEASON WITH AN 11-3 RECORD AND EARNED A BERTH IN THE ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (IHSA) CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME; AND WHEREAS, ON DECEMBER 2, 2025, AT HANCOCK STADIUM ON THE CAMPUS OF ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY IN NORMAL, ILLINOIS, THE FENWICK FRIARS DEFEATED THE EAST ST. LOUIS FLYERS BY A SCORE OF 38-28 TO CAPTURE THE 2025-26 IHSA CLASS 6A FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, AS OFFICIALLY RECORDED BY THE ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION; AND WHEREAS, THE VICTORY MARKS THE SECOND STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP IN FENWICK PROGRAM HISTORY, FOLLOWING THE FRIARS' 2021 IHSA CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, FURTHER CEMENTING FENWICK'S LEGACY WITHIN ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL; AND WHEREAS, IN THEIR 2025 CHAMPIONSHIP RUN, THE FRIARS NAVIGATED A DEMANDING POSTSEASON PATH, SECURING PLAYOFF VICTORIES OVER KENNEDY, ROLLING MEADOWS, BURLINGTON CENTRAL, AND TOP-SEEDED NAZARETH ACADEMY-INCLUDING A DRAMATIC 28-27 OVERTIME SEMIFINAL WIN THAT ENDED NAZARETH'S BID FOR A FOURTH CONSECUTIVE STATE TITLE AND PROPELLED

FENWICK INTO THE CLASS 6A TITLE GAME; AND WHEREAS, IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME, FENWICK FACED AN EAST ST. LOUIS PROGRAM THAT ENTERED THE CONTEST AS A PERENNIAL POWERHOUSE, OWNER OF 11 PRIOR STATE TITLES AND A DOMINANT SEASON IN WHICH THE FLYERS HAD OUTSCORED THEIR IN-STATE OPPONENTS 499-47, MAKING THE FRIARS' 38-28 VICTORY ONE OF THE MOST NOTABLE UPSETS IN RECENT IHSA PLAYOFF HISTORY; AND WHEREAS, THE FRIARS' PERFORMANCE SHOWCASED BALANCED EXCELLENCE IN ALL PHASES OF THE GAME, INCLUDING: • AN EXPLOSIVE OPENING TOUCHDOWN RUN ON FENWICK'S FIRST PLAY FROM SCRIMMAGE BY JAKE THIES, WHO TALLIED OVER 100 RUSHING YARDS AND CONTRIBUTED AS BOTH A RUNNER AND RECEIVER; - CLUTCH QUARTERBACK PLAY BY JAMEN WILLIAMS, WHO PASSED FOR MORE THAN 150 YARDS, THREW MULTIPLE TOUCHDOWN PASSES, ADDED RUSHING YARDAGE ON THE GROUND, AND SCORED A LATE TOUCHDOWN TO HELP SEAL THE VICTORY; - A CRITICAL, MOMENTUM-SHIFTING INTERCEPTION AND RETURN BY ODIN FERJAK AND A GAME-CHANGING TACKLE BY DUFFY MONAHAN AND WILL TOMCZAK ON A BOTCHED EAST ST. LOUIS PUNT ATTEMPT DEEP IN FLYERS TERRITORY; - A LOCKDOWN DEFENSIVE EFFORT LED BY PLAYERS INCLUDING TOMMY THIES, WHO RECORDED 14 TACKLES, AND AIDEN WILLIAMS AND HIS FELLOW DEFENDERS, WHO CONTAINED ONE OF THE STATE'S MOST EXPLOSIVE OFFENSES; AND - A POISED SPECIAL TEAMS PERFORMANCE FROM KICKER NOAH SUR, WHOSE LATE 31-YARD FIELD GOAL BROKE A 28-28 TIE AND GAVE THE FRIARS THE LEAD FOR GOOD, ALONG WITH A PERFECT NIGHT ON EXTRA POINTS; AND WHEREAS, THE 2025 FENWICK FRIARS FOOTBALL TEAM EMBODIED THE BEST OF HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS-DISCIPLINE, PERSEVERANCE, TEAMWORK, AND RESILIENCE-DEMONSTRATING THAT PREPARATION AND BELIEF CAN OVERCOME LONG ODDS AND INSPIRING STUDENTS, ALUMNI, FACULTY, FAMILIES, AND FANS THROUGHOUT OAK PARK AND BEYOND; AND WHEREAS, THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE STUDENT-ATHLETES WERE SUPPORTED BY THE DEDICATION OF THE ENTIRE COACHING STAFF, TRAINERS, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS, TEACHERS, SUPPORT PERSONNEL, PARENTS, GUARDIANS, AND THE BROADER FENWICK AND OAK PARK COMMUNITIES, ALL OF WHOM CONTRIBUTED TO CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH YOUNG PEOPLE COULD THRIVE ON AND OFF THE FIELD. NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN STRAW, TRUSTEE OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK ON BEHALF OF VICKI SCAMAN, PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE OAK PARK, ALONG WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HEREBY RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE FENWICK HIGH SCHOOL 2025 IHSA CLASS 6A FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND JUSTLY YOU KNOW LAST TUESDAY WE HAD A BUDGET MEETING, A LONG ONE AND WE HAD LOTS OF CONVERSATIONS AND BRIAN WAS JUMPING INTO GIVE US UPDATES THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE MEETING. SO - (LAUGHTER).

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: UNFORTUNATELY THE MEETING RESOLVED JUST BEFORE THE GAME RESOLVED AND SO I WAS NOT ABLE TO DELIVER THE HAPPY NEWS ON THE RECORD DURING THE MEETING THAT THE FENWICK FRIARS BECAME STATE CHAMPIONS, IT HAPPENED JUST AFTER THE MEETING).

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: BUT, WE COULD FEEL IT.

OKAY, COACH, WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME UP AND SHARE A FEW WORDS?  
IT SOUNDS LIKE IT WAS AN EXTREMELY EXCITING GAME.  
I THOUGHT IT WAS A TYPO IN THE PROCLAMATION, 499 POINT?  
ACCUMULATIVE?

>>SPEAKER: THE ONLY POINTS THAT MATTER ARE THE POINTS ON TUESDAY  
NIGHT LAST WEEK!

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YOU KILL THIS POINT.

>>SPEAKER: I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU.

THIS WAS ABOVE AND BEYOND AND REALLY A SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND FOR A  
GREAT GROUP OF KIDS AND YOU KNOW THERE IS A LOT OF STUFF GOING ON WITH  
SCHOOL AND KIDS TRANSITIONING TO BASKETBALL AND WRESTLING AND REALLY  
HAPPY TO HAVE A LOT OF OUR PLAYERS LOCAL PLAYERS AS WELL, WILLIAMS, OUR  
QUARTERBACK, HE IS FROM OAK PARK JUST DOWN THE STREET AND CAN, RIVER  
FOREST AND YOU KNOW A LOT OF LOCAL KIDS AND I THINK THE PROCLAMATION HIT  
IT ON THE HEAD.

THIS IS SOMETHING FOR OAK PARK, ALL OF ATHLETIC TO PERSEVERE AND NEVER  
STOP BELIEVING AND THIS IS A GROUP THAT HAD A LOT OF DOUBTERS.  
EVERY WEEK, PICKED AGAINST EVERY WEEK AND IT FUELED THEM TO BECOME  
EVEN BETTER VERSIONS OF THEMSELVES.

AND THE REAL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IS GOING TO BE THESE YOUNG MEN WHEN  
THEY BECOME ADULTS IN THE REAL WORLD AND BEING LEADERS IN THEIR  
SOCIETIES.

SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I WOULDN'T GO TOO FAR WITH THE TROPHY!

OKAY, WE'LL TAKE DIRECTION FROM JOE, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE US TO DO?  
PLEASE.

AND I WILL SEE IF JOE WANTS US ALL TO COME OUT TOGETHER, YOU TELL US WHAT  
YOU WANT US TO DO!

OKAY.

>>SPEAKER: (AWAY FROM MIC) FROM THEIR SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHERS TO GET  
SOME EXTRA CREDIT -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)

AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, ONE LAST APPLAUSE.

THANK YOU!

AND THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TONIGHT!

AMAZING.

SO PROUD.

AND THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO BROUGHT THIS PROCLAMATION FORWARD, IT  
IS AMAZING AND BRIAN, FOR YOUR COMMENTARY AS YOU GO!

OKAY, VILLAGE MANAGER REPORTS.

>>MANAGER JACKSON: YES, PRESIDENT SCAMAN, ONE ITEM PEERED I WANT TO INVITE JOHN MALAN EFFIE (SP?), INTRODUCING ONE OF OUR NEWEST STAFF MEMBERS TO COMPLETE THE STAFFING FOR THE ECONOMIC VITALITY OFFICE WITH THIS RECENT ADDITION.

JOHN?

>>JOHN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MANAGER JACKSON AND PRESIDENT SCAMAN. AS THE MANAGER INDICATED, WE HAVE COMPLETED OUR AGREEMENT OF OUR ENTIRE TEAM AND I AM HAPPY TO INTRODUCE TONIGHT, NICOLE, WHO IS OUR ECONOMIC VITALITY ADMINISTRATOR AND WE ARE JUST DELIGHTED TO HAVE HER ON OUR TEAM.

THANK YOU.

PLEASE COME UP.

AND INTRODUCE YOURSELF.

>>JOHN: ONE HELLO, VILLAGE MANAGER, VILLAGE PRESIDENT, FANTASTIC TO MEET YOU.

MY NAME IS NICOLE NOLTE AND I HAVE JUST ABOUT 13 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN CORPORATE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND MARKET RESEARCH MARKETING AND INSIGHTS BOTH DOMESTICALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY INCLUDING OVER 10 YEARS AT DELOITTE.

BUT, LAST FALL I WAS WORKING ON A SMALL BUSINESS RESEARCH PROJECT AS PART OF MY MBA AT DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY AND IT CLICKED FOR ME AND I KNEW THEN THAT I WANTED TO TRANSITION INTO A CAREER SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES IN MY COMMUNITY PUTTING MY SKILLS TO WORK TO SUPPORT MY NEIGHBORS BIG DREAMS.

SO, NOW I AM HERE AND I AM GENUINELY EXCITED TO BE ABLE TO CREATE AND DEVELOP OPPORTUNITIES FOR OAK PARK RESIDENTS AND THE LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU ALL TO ACHIEVE THOSE. SO, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING ME.

>>MANAGER JACKSON: THANK YOU, NICOLE.  
THAT IS IT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ,CAN WE TAKE A QUICK ROLL OF WHO IS AVAILABLE FOR THE MEETING TOMORROW?

ONE, TWO - OKAY, SO WE NEED FOUR.

THE MEETING WILL GO ON WITH OR WITHOUT, BUT - YES, I CAN FIGURE OUT HOW TO GO FROM THERE.

OKAY, ALL RIGHT.

ALL RIGHT.

I'M SUPPOSED TO BE AT THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE, BUT I MAY BE GONE BY THEN AND SO WE ARE GOING TO DO THIS.

I WILL SEND MESSAGES OUT TOMORROW.

THANK YOU FOR LETTING US DO THAT.

ALL OF US AT ONE TIME - AND SO NOW VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS.

ANY?

OKAY, I PRESUME IN THE NEW YEAR WE WILL.



CITIZEN COMMISSION VACANCIES IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A BOARD COMMISSION OR VILLAGE BOARD COMMISSION - I WANT TO SAY COMMISSION ABOARD - PLEASE REACH OUT TO CLERK WATERS AT [CLERK@OAK-PARK.US](mailto:CLERK@OAK-PARK.US).  
THANK YOU.

AND SO REGULAR AGENDA THIS EVENING WE HAVE A ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN LIEU OF THE APPROPRIATE AN ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 2026 AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 2026.

OCEAN, PLEASE?

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION BY TRUSTEE WESLEY AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE STRAW.

THANK YOU.

VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON.

>>MANAGER JACKSON: THANK YOU, PRESIDENT SCAMAN, MARY L.

>>SPEAKER: GOOD EVENING VILLAGE MANAGER, MADAM PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE TRUSTEES, COLLEAGUES AND CITIZENS OF OAK PARK, MARY, BUDGET MANAGER AND I COME BEFORE YOU TONIGHT TO PRESENT THE BUDGET AS YOU KNOW WE HAVE HAD NUMEROUS CONVERSATIONS RELATED TO IT AND WHAT YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU ON YOUR SCREEN AND YOU SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED THIS EARLIER THIS AFTERNOON IS JUST ONE CHANGE THAT WE HAVE MADE TO THE ERRATA AND ALL OTHER INFORMATION HAS STAYED CONSISTENT AND THAT POINT I WILL BE OPEN TO ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE FOR ME.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

ANY QUESTIONS?

COMMENTS TO THE BOARD?

OKAY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>>SPEAKER: THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: BUDGET SEASON.

I IMAGINE WE MAY HAVE COMMENTS FOR THE BOARD, BUT IF ANYONE WISHES - SQUATTERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE STRAW.

TRUSTEE WESLEY.

TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, TRUSTEE ENYIA.  
PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

THANK YOU.

CONGRATULATIONS EVERYBODY.

WE PASSED THE BUDGET.

I HOPE WE HAVE NOT TALLIED UP THE HOURS!

(LAUGHTER) OKAY.

I ENTERTAIN - OKAY, WE WANT TO TAKE THIS NEXT ONE IN TWO HALVES, CORRECT?  
SO, FIRST I WOULD ENTERTAIN A ORDINANCE APPROVING THE VILLAGE OF OAK  
PARK 2025 TAX YEAR PROPERTY LEVY WITHOUT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY LEVY  
INCLUDED.

IS THAT SUFFICIENT?

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU, MOTION BY TRUSTEE WESLEY AND SECOND  
BY TRUSTEE STRAW.

CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE WESLEY, TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE EDER,  
TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, PRESIDENT  
SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

OKAY, VERY GOOD.

I THEN ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK 2025 TAX  
LEVY PORTION FOR THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF \$11,977,000.

MOTION, PLEASE IT.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, AND TRUSTEE -

>>TRUSTEE ENYIA: I WILL BE ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE DUE TO EMPLOYMENT  
BY THE OAK PARK PUB. LIBRARY.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT WAS MOTION BY TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN AND  
SECOND BY TRUSTEE EDER?

THANK YOU.

AND CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE  
ENYIA ABSTAINED, TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, TRUSTEE WESLEY,  
PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

THANK YOU.

AND SO I MOVING FORWARD TO ITEM F - AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE  
ABATEMENT OF \$74,975 AGAINST THE 2025

TAX LEVY (2012A GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BONDS).

MOTION, PLEASE PEERS.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION BY TRUSTEE STRAW AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE  
WESLEY.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: (INDISCERNIBLE).

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: IT IS POSSIBLE FOR THE BOARD.

THE ABATEMENT PURPOSES WHICH MEANS THE VILLAGE WILL NOT BE LEVYING FOR  
PROPERTY TAXES THAT IS OTHERWISE OKAY FOR THE COUNTY TO DO SO FOR

ITEMS F THROUGH L AND SO IF THEY WISH TO PROPOSE A MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS F THROUGH L, IN A OMNIBUS ACTION, THAT IS PERMISSIBLE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, WHAT GREG SAID.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I WOULD DO A FRIENDLY A MOMENT TO BUNDLE THOSE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I SECOND THE BUNDLING OF THE BUNDLE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: EXCELLENT.

OKAY, CLERK WATERS, WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL?

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE WESLEY, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND PRESIDENT SCAMAN?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

OKAY, SO NOW THAT - ARE WE DONE?

I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000 FOR THE PROPERTY TAX YEAR FOR THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK SPECIAL SERVICE AREA NUMBER ONE.

MOTION, PLEASE PAY IT.

>>SPEAKER: MOTION.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION BY TRUSTEE STRAW - TRUSTEE WESLEY AND THEN SECOND BY TRUSTEE STRAW.

CLERK WATERS?

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE WESLEY, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, TRUSTEE ENYIA, PRESIDENT SCAMAN?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

EXCELLENT.

OKAY, MOVING FORWARD TO ITEM N, ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPROVING A INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK AND OAK PARK PUB. LIBRARY FOR LINE OF CREDIT NOT TO EXCEED 4.5 MILLION AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION.

>>TRUSTEE ENYIA: REALLY QUICK I WILL BE RECUSING MYSELF FROM THAT AS WELL BECAUSE OF EMPLOYMENT PURPOSES WITH THE OAK PARK PUB. LIBRARY PEERED.

>>SPEAKER: MOTION.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION BY TRUSTEE STRAW AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN.

GREAT JOB.

AND CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL?

>>CLERK WATERS: I'M JUST GOING IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER APPEAR TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, TRUSTEE WESLEY AND PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES, THANK YOU.

ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS HAS BEEN PRESENTED?

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION BY TRUSTEE WESLEY AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN.

CLERK WATERS?

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE WESLEY, TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES, THANK YOU.

WE HAVE GONE THROUGH A COUPLE OF PAGES THERE.

18 PAGE AGENDA - AND WE ARE CALLED TO BOARD AND CLERK.

CLERK WATERS?

>>CLERK WATERS: SO, EACH YEAR, IMPAIRED DRIVING CONTINUES TO TAKE A DEVASTATING PULL ON FAMILIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS ONE OF THE RISKIEST TIMES OF THE YEAR AND IT IS ALSO IN MANY FAMILIES FEEL THESE LOSSES MOST DEEPLY.

I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TONIGHT TO REMIND OUR COMMUNITY THAT THESE TRAGEDIES ARE PREVENTABLE.

WE STAND WITH MADD, MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING, OUR PUBLIC SAFETY PARTNERS AND ADVOCATES WORKING TO REDUCE IMPAIRED DRIVING, AND I ENCOURAGE ALL OF US TO MAKE SAFE CHOICES, LOOK OUT FOR ONE ANOTHER AND HELP ENSURE EVERYONE GETS HOME SAFELY DURING HOLIDAYS ALL YEAR LONG. I ALSO TO SAY THANK YOU TO BUILD PRESIDENT SCAMAN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND THE VILLAGE MANAGERS OFFICE FOR COORDINATING WITH ME DURING RECENT BOARD MEETINGS TO VIRTUALLY CLERK MEETINGS FROM MY OFFICE HERE AT VILLAGE HALL SINCE JULY SO THE WORK OF THE CLERK'S OFFICE COULD CONTINUE AS SMOOTHLY AS POSSIBLE.

THAT SUPPORT MATTERED.

FINALLY, I WANT TO EXTEND A HEARTFELT APPRECIATION TO INTERIM DEPUTY CLERK MARJORIE MANSION WHO SINCE AUGUST COMPLETED UPWARDS OF 25 SETS OF MEETING MINUTES AND SUPPORTED OUR OFFICE AS WE HOSTED THE NORTH NORTHWEST SUBURBAN COOK COUNTY MUNICIPAL CLERK DINNER AND FOR CLERK AND MEETINGS FROM THE IG GOVERNING BOARD AND TOMORROW'S BOARD MEETING AT THE HIGH SCHOOL WHICH ALLOWS ME TO FACILITATE THE CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMISSION MEETING HERE AT VILLAGE HALL.

THROUGH FIVE MONTHS, MARJORIE STEPPED IN AND STEPPED UP AND OAK PARK IS BETTER FOR IT.

AND I'M TRULY EXCITED TO WELCOME OUR NEW DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK, KIA CARSWELL WHO WILL BE SWORN IN ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 AT 10:30 AM HERE IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO THE ENERGY AND PARTNERSHIP SHE WILL BRING TO OUR SERVICE IN OAK PARK AND WE ARE INCREDIBLY FORTUNATE TO HAVE HER JOIN THE OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE CLERK.

I JASWANT TO WISH ALL MY COLLEAGUES AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS A HOLIDAY SEASON FULL OF JOY, REST, MORE REST AND RENEWED STRENGTH FOR THE YEAR AHEAD.

>>TRUSTEE ENYIA: JUST WANT TO YOU KNOW GIVE THINGS TO OUR TEAM HERE AT THE VILLAGE AND THE STAFF AND THE DIRECTORS THAT PUT SO MUCH TIME INTO THEIR BUDGETS TO REALLY PUT A LOT OF THOUGHT INTO THIS.

OUR FINANCE TEAM FOR HELPING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GOT OUR BUDGET ALL THE WAY CORRECT AND PROPER AND I KNOW IT TOOK A LOT OF TIME AND SO ALL OF YOU ON THE FINANCE TEAM WORKING ON THAT BUDGET TRULY APPRECIATE THE TIME AND EFFORT THAT WENT INTO ALL OF THIS.

IT IS HUGE AND IT MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE FOR OUR VILLAGE AND ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS AND SO THANK YOU FOR OVER THE HOLIDAY SEASON THAT WE ARE GOING INTO I WANT TO GIVE A HUGE THANK YOU TO PUBLIC WORKS THAT KEEP OUR STREETS GOING AND KEEP IT CLEAN AND MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE ALL ABLE TO TRAVEL SAFELY THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE.

OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND POLICE DEPARTMENT WHO ARE PUTTING IN ALL OF THESE EXTRA HOURS DURING THESE HOLIDAYS AND WE TALKED ABOUT DRIVING SAFELY AND DRINKING AND DRIVING IMPAIRED AND SO PLEASE THINK ABOUT THAT AND THINK ABOUT THE LIVES THAT ARE AFFECTED WHILE YOU GO OUT AND DO THAT.

OUR OFFICERS AND OUR FIRE THAT GET DEFERRED FROM CALLS TO GO TO THESE EMS CALLS OVER THE HOLIDAY SEASON WHICH DO SEE A SIGNIFICANT SPIKE AND SO PLEASE BE SAFE OUT THERE AND THANK YOU ALL FOR ALL OF YOUR SERVICE AND SACRIFICE AND ALL OF YOUR TIME.

IT TRULY MEANS A LOT TO US AS A BOARD.

I KNOW THAT WE COME HERE AND WE GET INFO ON THESE THINGS, BUT YOU ALL MAKE ALL OF THAT COME TO LIFE AND CONTINUE TO BREATHE LIFE INTO OUR COMMUNITY AND MAKE THIS PLACE WHICH IS SO HIGHLY DESIRED EVERY TIME YOU OPEN A MAGAZINE OR READ A NEWSPAPER AND YOU TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PLACES AND AWESOME PLACES TO LIVE, I AM CONTINUOUSLY PROUD OF THE CHOICE I MADE TO START MY FAMILY AND BRING THEM HERE TO OAK PARK, BECAUSE YOU ALL MAKE IT THIS IMPORTANT AND THIS SPECIAL HERE TO THE FENWICK TEAM.

I OBVIOUSLY WENT TO THE OTHER SCHOOL AND SO I WENT TO OPRF AND WE HAVE ALWAYS HAD A VERY SERIOUS RIVALRY, BUT I DO HAVE TO GIVE CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE.

THOSE MEN PULLED OFF A FANTASTIC VICTORY AND WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT DAVID AND GOLIATH, YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT EAST ST. LOUIS WHO CONSISTENTLY HAS EYES THAT ARE PLAYING IN THE NFL, THE CHICAGO BEARS, YOU KNOW THERE ARE PEOPLE THAT CONTINUOUSLY COME OUT OF THAT AREA AND TO HAVE A TEAM ACTUALLY BEAT THEM IS A SUBSTANTIAL FEE.

AND ONE THAT I CANNOT OVERLOOK AT ALL.

I GIVE THEM ALL THE CREDIT THERE.

AN AMAZING GROUP OF PEOPLE.

ONE OF THEM USED TO BE MY NEXT-DOOR NEIGHBOR.

SO, GETTING TO SEE HIM MAKE IT TO A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IS PRETTY AMAZING.

I WANT TO JUST REALLY SAY THANK YOU AND THEIR COACHING STAFF FOR PUTTING TOGETHER SUCH GREAT TALENTED YOUNG MEN.

TO THE RESIDENT, I KNOW THAT WE DON'T ALWAYS SEEM TO BE MOVING FAST ENOUGH WITH SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE WORK ON, BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT IT IS NOT BEING WORKED ON.

I KNOW THAT CHIEF JOHNSON HAS CONTINUOUSLY WORKED ON THIS MIKE'S PLACE FOR A VERY LONG TIME AND IT HAS BEEN A FRUSTRATION FOR HER AND THE REST OF THE VILLAGE BECAUSE IT IS NOT ALWAYS SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO JUST GO AND CHANGE RIGHT AWAY.

YOU KNOW THERE ARE STEPS THAT YOU HAVE TO TAKE AND EVEN THE STEPS THAT WE TOOK FOR THE BLOCK YOU KNOW I LIVE RIGHT THERE AND I KNOW WHAT GOES ON.

I'VE HAD MY CAMERAS USED BECAUSE OF GUNSHOT MANY TIMES AND SO I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THE FRUSTRATION, BUT THERE IS ALSO THE REALITY THAT WE CANNOT SNAP OUR FINGERS AND MAKE THIS ALL GO AWAY.

THERE ARE STEPS THAT HAVE TO BE TAKEN AND THERE HAS TO BE COOPERATION AND IT HAS TO WORK ON BOTH SIDES TO HAVE THAT COLLABORATION YOU KNOW THE OTHER MUNICIPALITY HAS TO BE WILLING TO WORK WITH US AND THE BUSINESS OWNER HAS TO BE WILLING TO WORK WITH US AND IT HAS TAKEN A HUGE BACK AND FORTH, BUT I DO SAY THANK YOU TO THE CHIEF FOR CONTINUOUSLY WORKING ON THIS, BECAUSE IT HAS NOT BEEN EASY AND IT HAS NOT BEEN ONE WHERE THEY HAVE NOT BEEN WORKING ON THIS.

THIS HAS BEEN SOMETHING THAT I CAN COMMEND AND THINK THEM THAT THEY HAVE TRIED EVERYTHING AND EXHAUSTED SO MANY EFFORTS THEY IN AND DAY OUT.

I HAVE VIDEOTAPES TO SHOW YOU.

AND I KNOW THAT YOU ALL ARE DOING AN AMAZING JOB AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU AND I WANT THE RESIDENTS TO KNOW THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT THEY DO LOOK AT AND SOMETHING THAT THEY HAVE CONTINUOUSLY WORKED ON AND I CAN SEE THE POLICE LIGHTS ALL THE TIME FROM A CALL THAT IS HAPPENING FROM SOME DISTRESS THAT HAS HAPPENED.

PEOPLE GOING BACK TO THEIR CARS AND NORMALLY YOU HOPE THAT NOTHING DOES HAPPEN, BUT YES, YOU CAN SEE FIGHTS BREAK OUT.

I MEAN SOME THINGS THAT YOU WOULD HAVE NEVER EXPECTED AND YOU SEE IT TAKEN EVEN FURTHER, BUT YOU KNOW I HAVE CALLED THE OFFICERS WHEN THEY HAVE SHOWED UP AND THEY HAVE DONE NOTHING BUT TRY TO GET TO THE BOTTOM WHAT IS HAPPENING AND TRIED TO MAKE SURE PEOPLE ARE SAFE AND SO I DO APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU GUYS ARE DOING AND I WANT TO WISH EVERYONE THE BEST DURING THE HOLIDAYS AND SORRY FOR THE LONG SPEECH.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I ALSO WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO STAFF, TO OUR RESIDENTS AND TO EVERYONE SITTING AT THIS TABLE, BECAUSE YOU KNOW WE KNEW COMING INTO THIS YEAR THAT IT WOULD BE - IT WOULD BE A TRYING YEAR AND THAT THERE WOULD BE SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES THAT WE FACED AS A VILLAGE AND I AM INCREDIBLY PROUD OF THE YEAR THAT WE HAVE HAD AN THE WAY THAT WE AS A VILLAGE BOTH WE AS A MUNICIPAL BODY AND AS A GROUP OF PEOPLE LIVING TOGETHER IN FOREIGN AND A HALF SQUARE MILES HAVE REMAINED COMMITTED TO OUR VALUES AND HAVE LOOKED TO PUSH FORWARD IN HOW WE GOVERN AND HOW WE LIVE IN THIS WORLD IN A WAY THAT IS REFLECTIVE OF A COMMITMENT TO OUR PROGRESSIVE VALUES. I AM INCREDIBLY PROUD OF HOW IN THIS MOMENT WE HAVE CONTINUED TO FOCUS NOT JUST ON THOSE VALUES, BUT ALSO ON DELIVERING MUNICIPAL SERVICES THAT EVERYONE SHOULD BE ABLE TO EXPECT IN A RESPONSIBLE MANNER AND I AM INCREDIBLY PROUD HOW WE HAVE MANAGED TO CONTINUE TO ADVANCE INITIATIVES SUCH AS THE BIKE PLAN THAT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON FOR YEARS THROUGH THIS TRYING TIME AND THROUGH YOU KNOW DIFFICULTIES ACCESSING THE TYPE OF FUNDING THAT WE HAD HOPED TO BE ABLE TO RELY ON AND MOVING THOSE INITIATIVES FORWARD.

SO, THIS HAS BEEN A DIFFICULT YEAR FOR THE VILLAGE AND THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF DEMANDS ON STAFF TIME AND I KNOW THAT I HAVE HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH A NUMBER OF STAFF MEMBERS WHO HAVE EXPRESSED THAT IT IS HARD AND THEY ARE INCREDIBLY PROUD TO SERVE IN A VILLAGE THAT IS COMMITTED TO THESE VALUES AND IS CONTINUING TO PUSH FORWARD ON THESE VALUES AND IN A TIME WHERE A LOT OF PLACES ARE BACKING OFF OF THEIR COMMITMENTS, BECAUSE IT IS A LITTLE BIT EASIER TO NOT CONTINUE THOSE COMMITMENTS TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION AND NOT TO REAFFIRM THE COMMITMENTS TO PROGRESSIVE VALUES.

SO, I AM GRATEFUL.

I'M GRATEFUL TO ALL OF YOU AND I'M GRATEFUL TO ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS AND I'M GRATEFUL TO EVERYONE SITTING HERE AT THIS TABLE WHO I KNOW EVERY TUESDAY IS COMING WITH A FOCUS ON DOING WHAT IS RIGHT FOR ALL OF OUR NEIGHBORS AND EVEN THOSE WHO DO NOT OFTEN GET A SEAT AT THE TABLE AND ARE NOT ALWAYS HEARD.

SO, THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE ACADEMY - (CHUCKLE) NO, BUT SERIOUSLY I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE STAFF.

YOU GUYS ARE HERE BEFORE WE GET HERE AND YOU ARE ALWAYS HERE AFTER I LEAVE AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THE DEDICATION AND ALL THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE THIS YEAR, LAST YEAR AND EVERY YEAR.

I WOULD TO SAY THANK YOU ALL MY COLLEAGUES HERE AT THE BOARD INCLUDING MANAGER JACKSON.

I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK YOU'VE DONE AND ALL OF THE EFFORTS YOU PUT IN AND SOME OF THIS STUFF SHOWS UP IN A POSITION THAT MAYBE IS NOT QUITE BOARD READY AND YOU HELP US GET THERE AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT.

(CHUCKLE) OH, WE HAVE A NEW LOBBY!

IF YOU ARE LISTENING TO THIS, YOU SHOULD COME CHECK IT OUT.

IT IS PRETTY AWESOME AND I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE STAFF THAT PUT THE WORK INTO MAKING THAT POSSIBLE AS WELL AS VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, THE LOBBY IS AMAZING AND A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT OPEN GOVERNMENT AND WHEN ARE WE GOING TO GET THE LOBBY BACK TO WHERE IT WAS AND IT IS NOT BACK TO WHERE IT WAS, IT IS KIND OF BETTER. AND SO I WOULD ENCOURAGE ANYONE WHO HAS ANY KIND OF BUSINESS THAT COULD BE POSSIBLY DONE IN THE VILLAGE HALL TO CALM AND DO IT AND TAKE A LOOK, BUT MAYBE NOT ALL AT ONCE.

AND THE LAST THING AND WELL TWO MORE THINGS, ACTUALLY.

ONE, I JUST WANT TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION - IT IS NOT OFTEN THAT GOVERNANCE DECISIONS TRANSLATE SO READILY AND OBVIOUSLY TO OUR PHYSICAL BUILT ENVIRONMENT IN THE VILLAGE.

AND WHEN I DRIVE AROUND OUR VILLAGE I CAN SEE THE TANGIBLE OUTCOMES AND DECISIONS THAT I HAVE HELP TO MAKE AND I AM APPRECIATIVE OF THAT.

AND THE LAST THING I WANT TO SAY IS HAPPY HOLIDAYS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: VERY GOOD.

I JUST WANT TO MENTION A FEW THINGS.

FIRST OF ALL - AS A BOARD, HAPPY TO HAVE PASSED OUR 2026 BUDGET.

IT WAS A GOOD PROCESS.

IT WAS A VERY THOROUGH PROCESS AND IT INVOLVED NINE OR 10 FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND IT WAS VERY COMPREHENSIVE AND INCREASINGLY FOCUSED AS THE MEETINGS WENT ALONG AND INCLUDED THREE EX OFFICIO MEMBERS, JOHN HEDGES, GREG KOHLER AND BRIDGET ALAN HAGEMAN.

AND THEY WERE VERY HELPFUL AND REALLY GAVE US SOME GOOD PERSPECTIVES OF THINGS AND I CERTAINLY APPRECIATE THEIR PARTICIPATION.

AND THERE WAS A LOT OF DISCUSSION AND REPORTING BACK TO THE VILLAGE BOARD ON A ROUTINE BASIS AND THAT INCLUDED ATTENDANCE BY SOME VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS AND SIGNIFICANT INPUT BY THOSE BOARD MEMBERS AND IT WAS APPRECIATED.

AND FINALLY I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE VILLAGE FINANCE STAFF, DONNA, MARY AND JOHN WHO ARE VERY HELPFUL IN GETTING THIS BUDGET TO THIS STAGE. I KNOW IT WAS QUITE A JOURNEY AND WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE ALL OF YOUR WORK AND THE ENTIRE STAFF AT THE VILLAGE, EVERY DEPARTMENT I'M A VERY GOOD, VERY GOOD INPUT AND QUESTIONS WERE ALWAYS ANSWERED EFFICIENTLY AND THOROUGHLY AND TO EVERYONE'S SATISFACTION.

SO, THANK YOU.

ALSO, JUST TO SAY MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY NEW YEAR AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO 2026 AND HOPEFULLY IN THAT PERIOD OF TIME, PERHAPS WE WILL BE ABLE TO DEDICATE OUR POST OFFICE IN THE MEMORY OF DETECTIVE REDDINS. AND SO THANK YOU EVERYONE, VILLAGE MANAGER, VILLAGE ATTORNEY, EVERYONE HERE.



THANK YOU.

AND WE WILL SEE YOU IN 2026, THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: OKAY, I WILL ECHO WHAT MY COLLEAGUES HAVE SAID IN TERMS OF GRATITUDE FOR EVERYBODY THAT WORKS HERE AT VILLAGE HALL AND OUR STAFF AND IN MY FIRST SEVERAL MONTHS ON THE BOARD, NOT ONLY HAVE I BEEN VERY IMPRESSED WITH THE PERFORMANCE, BUT REALLY GRATEFUL FOR THE CARE AS I HAVE BEEN CATCHING UP AND LEARNING AND I HAVE BEEN LEARNING A LOT FROM ALL OF YOUR EXPERTISE AND I AM GRATEFUL FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR THAT REASON AND ALSO VERY GRATEFUL TO BE WORKING ALONGSIDE ALL OF YOU AND MY COLLEAGUES AT THE BOARD WHO ARE VERY EARNEST IN OUR COMMITMENT TO TAKING CARE OF THIS COMMUNITY AND EACH OTHER AND I THINK THAT SHOWS AS WE MEET HERE IN ALL OF THE WORK THAT WE DO BEHIND-THE-SCENES AND I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER DIFFICULT YEAR OF PUTTING AS A TRUSTEE STRAW SAID, ARE VALUES FORWARD AS WE MAKE SOME DIFFICULT DECISIONS.

AND I HOPE EVERYONE HAS A RESTFUL HOLIDAY SEASON AND A HAPPY BREAK WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND LOVED ONES.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: ALL RIGHT, I'LL PYLON THE LOVE AND APPRECIATION AGAIN FOR STAFF AND FOR MY STAFF COLLEAGUES HERE, CONGRATULATIONS, JENNA, WE PASSED OUR FIRST BUDGET.

WE DID IT!

I HAVE NOT REALLY MUCH OF A BASIS FOR COMPARISON BECAUSE I'M STILL JUST ABOUT SIX MONTHS INTO THIS POSITION, BUT I'VE BEEN TOLD BY OTHER FOLKS THAT THIS IS A PRETTY SUBSTANTIAL BUDGET AND IT HAS BEEN A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF THINGS TAKEN ON BY THIS BOARD AT LEAST SINCE I HAVE JOINED.

AND SO I APPRECIATE EVERYBODY ON THE BOARD AND VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON AND ALL OF THE STAFF HELPING THAT PROCESS ALONG.

WHAT YOU SAW TONIGHT WAS A QUICK LIKE SEVEN - ZERO YES TO LIKE A BUNCH OF STUFF AND VERY SUBSTANTIAL PIECES OF LEGISLATION HAVE BEEN PASSED IN THIS PACKET TONIGHT, BUT IT SHOWS ALL OF THE WORK THAT WENT IN IN THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS THAT HAPPENED AT THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WHICH I GOT THROWN INTO THE DEEP END ON THAT ONE AND I THINK I DID ALL RIGHT - AND THEN OBVIOUSLY ALL OF THE BOARD MEETINGS THAT WE HAVE HAD.

SO, A LOT OF WORK WENT INTO THIS.

I ALREADY HAD A SENSE A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT GOES INTO MAKING GOVERNMENT WORK, BUT NOW I HAVE A EVEN DEEPER HANDS-ON APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK THAT IT REQUIRES US AND A LOT OF PEOPLE WILL FRANKLY NEVER HEAR ABOUT OR KNOW ABOUT AND THERE IS A LOT OF UNSUNG HEROES IN THE WORLD.

AND SO THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY HERE FOR THAT EFFORT AND I APPRECIATE GETTING TO KNOW ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES OVER THE LAST SIX MONTHS AND APPRECIATE HOW RESPONSIVE EVERYONE IS AND IT FEELS LIKE WE CAN PICK UP THE PHONE AND TALK TO EVERYBODY.

SO, I AM VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THAT AND YES, WE HAVE DEALT WITH SOME PRETTY SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES AND THERE WILL BE MORE IN 2026.

SO - AND NOW THAT I HAVE GOT MY LEGS UNDER ME I AM DEFINITELY GOING TO BE SPENDING A LITTLE BIT MORE TIME LEANING INTO MORE SUSTAINABILITY AND SO GET READY FOR THAT AND WE NEED TO GO HARDER AND FASTER, SORRY, WE'RE DOING GREAT, BUT WE NEED TO DO BETTER BECAUSE THE CLIMATE CRISIS IS REAL AND IT IS NOT STOPPING AND OAK PARK IS A LEADER AND WEEKENDS STILL BE A LEADER IN SUSTAINABILITY AND SO I'LL BE DIVING INTO THAT ESPECIALLY NOW SINCE I KNOW HOW THIS PROCESS WORKS WE CAN REALLY BE PROUD OF THAT AND SO I'M LOOKING FOR MY COLLEAGUES SUPPORT AS WE TRIED TO MAKE SOME STRIDES IN REALLY TRYING TO TACKLE ENERGY TRANSITION AND CLIMATE ACTION AND ALL OF THE THINGS THAT WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE THE POWER TO CHANGE SITTING AT THIS TABLE FOR THE TIME THAT WE HAVE BEING AT THIS TABLE. AND SO I WILL JUST CLOSE WITH HAPPY HOLIDAYS, HAPPY NEW YEAR AND WE WILL ALL GET BACK TO WORK IN JANUARY!

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE A FEW WORDS?

>>MANAGER JACKSON: SURE.

THANK YOU PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

SO, FIRST OF ALL I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO YOU ALL AND YOUR SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT AND COLLABORATION ON THIS EXPERIENCE AND EVERYTHING WE HAVE ACHIEVED THIS PAST YEAR, BUT SPEAKING TO THE BUDGET PROCESS IN PARTICULAR I THINK WE HAD ABOUT 10 BUDGET MEETINGS THIS YEAR AND I THINK WE HAD PROBABLY AT LEAST IN MY TENURE, THE MOST AMOUNT OF BUDGET MEETINGS THAT WE HAVE HAD IN THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS AND SO IT SPEAKS TO JUST THE PROGRESS THAT WE CONTINUE TO MAKE AND IT SPEAKS TO THE LEVEL OF COMMITMENT NOT ONLY FROM THE STAFF COME ABOUT FROM YOU ALL AND WE DON'T ALWAYS GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK ABOUT THAT, BUT YOU ALL HAVE YOUR OWN INDIVIDUAL PROFESSIONAL LIVES AND SO FORTH AND THESE HAVE BEEN SOME VERY SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENT OVER THE COURSE OF THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS AND I JUST WANT TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION OF THAT. THERE IS A LOT OF VERY SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY IMPACTING INITIATIVES THAT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS THAT HAVE COME TO FRUITION AND YES, CREATING SOME CHALLENGING CONSIDERATIONS AND YES, THERE WILL BE SOME ADDITIONAL CHALLENGING CONVERSATIONS, BUT IT IS EXCITING.

YOU GUYS HAVE CONTINUED TO CREATE A DYNAMIC ENVIRONMENT THAT CREATES AN OPPORTUNITY AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE OF US WHO ARE WILLING AND INTERESTED IN MAKING A DIFFERENT FROM A PUBLIC SERVICE STANDPOINT AND IT REALLY GIVES US AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT AND YES IT CREATES SOME TENSION BUT IT ALSO CREATES A LOT OF VALUE IN TERMS OF MY APPRECIATION OF YOU ALL AND I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO OUR STAFF AND IT HAS BEEN A DIFFICULT ENVIRONMENT JUST GLOBALLY YOU KNOW THE UNITED STATES, TRICKLING DOWN TO THE LOCAL LEVEL.

AND DESPITE ALL OF THAT, WE HAVE TAKEN ON QUITE A BIT THIS YEAR AND STAYED THE COURSE AND STAYED IN THAT DYNAMIC SPACE TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THE BOARD AND ALSO TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS AND INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITY AND I WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU ALL ON ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL BUDGET PROCESS AND WE WILL TAKE A BREAK AND THEN COME BACK AND WE WILL GET BACK TO IT, BUT I'M EXCITED ABOUT THE WORK WE HAVE DONE.

SO, WITH THAT SAID, I WILL STOP -, BUT SINCERELY I AM VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THE CONTINUATION AND OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE PROVIDED WITH YOU AND YOUR LEADERSHIP AND CREATING A CIVIC CULTURE THAT ALLOWS US TO HER REALLY INTERESTED IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE TO REALLY WORK HARD AND FILL IT AND FIELD OUTCOMES.

THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

AND WELCOME, GREG.

DID YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE SIGNING UP FOR?

YES.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU.

AND ACTUALLY YOU COULD HAVE GONE ON FOR A FEW MORE MINUTES BECAUSE JERRY JUST FINISHED THE 18 PAGES OF THE AGENDA JUST A FEW MINUTES AGO. JERRY OBVIOUSLY HERE AND SUPPORTING THE FENWICK TEAM AND THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US AND LOOKING AROUND AND LOOKING AT THOSE 18 PAGES. I REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

AND JUST TO ECHO A FEW THINGS THAT MY COLLEAGUES SAID WITH ALL OF THEIR THOUGHTFUL COMMENTS, I SECOND THE WELCOME OF DEPUTY CLERK CARSWELL AND THANK YOU TO MARJORIE FOR HER SUPPORT AND TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AS JIM WAS SAYING AND ALL OF THE WORK THEY PUT INTO IT.

YES, I CAN ATTEST AND I THINK JIM CAN AS WELL THAT THIS IS THE MOST OVER THE LAST DECADE, PROBABLY LONGER AND I THINK THAT NEXT YEAR THE PLANS TO AT LEAST DO THAT ORDERLY ARE GOING TO INCREASE THAT NUMBER.

SO, THANK YOU - AND AT YOUR FIRST MEETING AND I KNOW I HAVE MENTIONED IT BEFORE THAT WE SAID WE ARE COMPLICATED, BUT WORTH THE AND I STILL THINK WE NEED THE T-SHIRTS (CHUCKLE) SO - AND IT WAS A MEETING!

AND TRUSTEE ENYIA, USED THAT IT EXTREMELY WELL ABOUT MIKE'S PLACE AND THE COMMITMENT THAT OUR CHIEF AND TEAM HAVE HAD AND MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD AND THE CONCERN AND WHEN I HAD HEARD THAT VIDEO OR AUDIO I WAS YOU KNOW I SHARED A DEEP CONCERN AND SO CONTINUING TO BE WORKING TOWARDS SOLVING PROBLEMS AND IN PARTNERSHIP ON ALL OF THESE THINGS INCLUDING WORKING WITH OUR NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES AND HOW I WILL ECHO HOW TRUSTEE WESLEY'S COMMENT ON THE WELCOME CENTER AND ALSO HIGHLIGHT CARLTON AND THE WELCOMING STAFF HAVE BEEN AMAZING AND THANK YOU TO THE NETTA AND THE TEAM FOR THE VILLAGE STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY AND I DID CATCH SOME OF YOU IN PASSING AND SO FOR THOSE OF YOU I MISS, I APOLOGIZE, BUT ALL OF THE SUPPORT THAT THE VILLAGE MANAGER OFFICE GIVES

ME VERY SPECIFICALLY VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP AND TO EVERYONE IN THIS ROOM.

YOU ALL MEAN A GREAT DEAL TO ME AND YOU DO A GREAT JOB AND I'M ACTUALLY PROUD TO SERVE WITH YOU.

2025 HUSBANDS USUALLY CHALLENGING, BUT ALSO GRATEFULLY AS WE HAVE HEARD, REWARDING.

LARGELY BECAUSE OF THE PEOPLE I AM SITTING WITH HER AT THIS TABLE AND IT IS WONDERFUL AMAZING COMMUNITY AND THE PEOPLE IN IT THAT WE SERVE.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR, OUR COMMUNITY WAS REELING FROM THE HEARTBREAKING LOSS OF DETECTIVE REDDINS.

I CONTINUE TO LEARN SO MUCH WASHING OUR STAFF RESPOND TO EMERGENCIES WITH STRENGTH, PRIDE, PROFESSIONALISM AND INTEGRITY.

WITNESSING OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT SUPPORT EACH OTHER DURING THAT INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT TIME ONGOING WILL STAY WITH ME FOREVER.

WE WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY IN JANUARY TO SUPPORT A RESOLUTION INCLUDING DANNY DAVIS NAMING THE LAKE STREET POST OFFICE IN DETECTIVE REDDINS MEMORY.

MY SINCERE GRATITUDE GOES TO THE CONGRESSMAN AND TRUSTEE TAGLIA FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO SEE THIS ACTION THROUGH PEER FOLLOWING THE MOST RECENT ELECTIONS I HAVE FOUND MYSELF INFLECTING ON THE REALITY THAT THERE HAS BEEN NOTHING NORMAL ABOUT MY TERM AS VILLAGE PRESIDENT OR FOR OUR COMMUNITY AT LARGE.

WE HAVE DEMONSTRATED OUR RESILIENCE, FOR SURE.

I FIRST TOOK OFFICE AS VILLAGE PRESIDENT IN MAY 2021.

I FOUND MYSELF BLEEDING THROUGH COVID-19 MOST IF NOT ALL OF US LOST SOMEONE FROM THAT PANDEMIC.

I REMEMBER THE FIRST CALL THAT I RECEIVED AND THEN A NEIGHBOR PASSED AWAY.

WE LED THROUGH A MIGRANT RESPONSE THAT IS A NATIONAL MODEL.

THE MURDER OF GEORGE FLOYD AND BLACK LIVES MATTER WITH OVERDUE REFORM AND ONGOING RACIAL EQUITY WORK THAT IS HARD, BUT WE ARE COMMITTED.

NOW, FEELING SIGNIFICANT FUNDING AND PROGRAMMING PROBLEMS ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS, HOUSING NEEDS, FOOD INSECURITY AND PROTECTING OUR NEIGHBORS FROM UNJUST DETAINMENT AND DEPORTATIONS, WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED A GREAT DEAL.

SOME OF THE WORK WAS STARTED BEFORE WE GOT HERE LIKE THE EARLY CHILDHOOD COLLABORATION.

BECAUSE OAK PARK IS AWESOME THAT WAY.

TOGETHER WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED - AND ARE CONTINUING TO INVEST IN OUR COMMUNITY AND EACH OTHER AND THANK YOU, JENNIFER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OUR NEIGHBORS.

SINCE THE NOVEMBER FEDERAL ELECTION I'VE BEEN APPROACHED MORE THAN EVER BEFORE WITH STORIES OF FAMILIES CHOOSING TO MOVE TO OAK PARK WITH

TRANSGENDER LOVED ONES, SIBLINGS WITH A DIFFERING LEVEL OF ABILITY OR BECAUSE THEY ARE IN A SAME-SEX OR BIRACIAL MARRIAGE AND SOMEONE APPROACHED MY TABLE AT A LOCAL RESTAURANT FOR ABOUT 15 MINUTES RECENTLY, BUT I WAS REALLY HAPPY TO HEAR THEIR STORY AND ALSO SAD AT THE SAME TIME.

WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZERS, PARTNER AGENCIES, ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES AND COLLECTIVELY LED IN A WAY THAT GIVES ME HOPE AND TREMENDOUS PRIDE IN SERVICE AS YOUR VILLAGE PRESIDENT.

THANK YOU TO MY COLLEAGUES, STAFF AND COMMUNITY FOR ALL THAT YOU DO. WE ARE LEADING ON SUSTAINABILITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY, BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN INFO STRUCTURE, INVESTING IN OUR YOUTH, BUILDING A NEW POLICE STATION AND ALTERNATIVE RESPONSE MODELS, MENTAL HEALTH, RACIAL EQUITY, LANGUAGE AND ABILITY ACCESS AND IMPROVING THE RATING OF OUR STREETS AT ALLIE'S. WE ARE CONTINUALLY PUSHING OURSELVES TO BE MORE TRANSPARENT, INCLUSIVE, EFFICIENT, SUCCESSFUL AND PROGRESSIVE AS LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERS.

WE ARE INVESTING RESPONSIBLY AND WITH INTENTION.

THIS BOARD SUPPORTED IS ONLY ONE EXAMPLE THAT HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE IN LIVES NOT ALWAYS TYPICAL OF HOW GOVERNMENT INTERACTS WITH ITS RESIDENTS, BUT THIS BOARD RECOGNIZES A STRENGTH AND NECESSITY OF INVESTING IN PEOPLE.

AND I KNOW WE ARE NOT DONE.

I AM GRATEFUL TO YOU.

OUR COLLECTIVE COMMUNITY IS WORKING TO MAKE FOR THE ALL CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS HAVE WHAT THEY NEED TO LIVE AND THRIVE.

WE ARE INVESTING IN HISTORY, AS WELL.

THAT WAY WE CAN LEARN FROM OUR MISTAKES AND PAY OUR RESPECTS TO THOSE WHO HAVE COME BEFORE US BUT WE ARE TELLING STORIES OF PERCY JULIAN AND WITH ATTENTION THAT THEY DESERVE.

FOR THE WHOLE WORLD TO SEE.

THROUGH A STREETSCAPE DESIGN THAT IS INFORMATIVE AND FUNCTIONAL, THIS IS ALSO, BY THE WAY AN EXAMPLE OF INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE TOURISM, POPULATION GROWTH, SMALL BUSINESS AND AN INCREDIBLE SENSE OF COMMUNITY BELONGING.

CONGRATULATIONS, HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYONE.

GOOD NIGHT.

I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADJOURN.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

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