

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE BOARD
VILLAGE OF WHEELING
BOARD ROOM - 2 COMMUNITY BOULEVARD
COOK AND LAKE COUNTIES, WHEELING, IL
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026**

1. Call to Order

President Horcher called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Clerk Brady called the roll.

Present: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Jim Ruffatto, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel

Absent:

4. Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 2, 2026.

President Horcher asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion by Mary Papantos, seconded by Mary Krueger.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

Yes: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Jim Ruffatto, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel

No: None

5. Changes to the Agenda

None

6. Proclamations

None

7. Appointments and Confirmations

None

8. Administration of Oaths

None

9. Citizen Concerns and Comments

Jen Abonce-Alcantar provided information on recent immigration activities in the area.

Tom Devitt discussed a recent restaurant grant program approval approved at the February 2, 2026, Board meeting concerning fund expenditures.

10. Staff Reports

Deputy Village Manager/Public Works Director Dan Kaup stated that waste collection services will resume on April 1.

11. Consent Agenda

All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Village Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered after all other Agenda items.

Clerk Brady read the consent agenda into the record.

- A. Resolution 26-055 Authorizing Acceptance of the State of Illinois' Previously Bid Contract with Presidio Networked Solutions for a One-Year Renewal of a Support Maintenance Contract for Cisco SMARTnet Technical Services in the Amount of \$86,319.67
- B. Resolution 26-056 Authorizing the Purchase of Five Sets of Globe G-Extreme Firefighting Protective Clothing from Air One Equipment at a Cost Not to Exceed \$26,245
- C. Ordinance 5790 Amending the Village of Wheeling Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2025 and Ending December 31, 2025
- D. Ordinance 5791 Declaring as Surplus and Authorizing the Disposal of Personal Property Owned by the Village of Wheeling by Recycling, Trade-In, Donation, or Public Auction
- E. Resolution 26-057 Authorizing the Village Manager to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement for Municipal Leadership Training

President Horcher called for a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.
Motion by Jim Ruffatto, seconded by Dave Vogel.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

Yes: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Jim Ruffatto, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel

No: None

12. **Old Business**

None

13. **New Business**

All Listed Items for Discussion and Possible Action

- A. PRESENTATION: Community Consolidated School District 21 Health Center & Fundraising Information

Clerk Brady read the title into the record. Lewis Roberts, Executive Director of Human Resources, introduced Cassandra Young, Director of Communications and Community Engagement. Ms. Young delivered a presentation on the Health Center and provided details about an upcoming fundraiser. In response to a question from Trustee Vogel, Ms. Young stated that absenteeism has decreased since the program started.

- B. Ordinance 5792 Approving the Transfer and Reallocation of Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues and Related Matters

Clerk Brady read the title into the record. Finance Director Brian Smith introduced the item and answered questions from the Board. President Horcher requested a motion to approve.
Motion by Mary Papantos, seconded by Jim Ruffatto.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

Yes: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Jim Ruffatto, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel

No: None

14. **Official Communications**

Clerk Brady announced that voting hours for tomorrow's Gubernatorial Primary Election are from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM. To find your voting location, visit www.cookcountyclerkil.gov.

Trustee Krueger spoke about the fireworks activity near the high school.

Trustee Vito congratulated the Wheeling Wildcats mock trial team once again for ranking in the top ten in the state.

Trustee Papantos confirmed that Wheeling is a Tree City, and it was also confirmed by Director Kaup that we plant 1% more than the total number of trees removed from the previous year, thereby growing our urban forest.

15. **Approval of Bills**

A. Approval of Bills for February 25–March 11, 2026

President Horcher asked for a motion to approve the bills totaling \$2,499,583.19¢.
Motion by Mary Krueger, seconded by Mary Papantos.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

Yes: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Jim Ruffatto, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel

No: None

16. **Executive Session**

None

17. **Action on Executive Session Items**

None

18. **Adjournment**

President Horcher requested a motion to adjourn.

Motion by Mary Krueger, seconded by Joe Vito.

Final Resolution: Motion approved by voice vote, all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 7:08 PM.

Yes: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Ray Lang, Mary Papantos, Jim Ruffatto, Joe Vito, Dave Vogel

No: None

Kathryn M. Brady, Village Clerk

Approved this 6th day of April 2026, by the President and Board of Trustees.