

Agenda of the Regular Meeting  
of the Board of Trustees of the  
**VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW**  
February 24, 2026  
7:00 P.M.

**BOARD MEETING:**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Presentations
  - Swearing in Ceremony – Full Time Forest View Police Officer Joseph Robinson
  - Police Chief Ritz to recognize the Police Officers Sgt, Erik Kulaga, Ofc. Phil Rutka, Ofc. Rafal Polkowski, Ofc. Daniel Lepkowski, Det Salamon Gusman, Ofc. Jamie Annen, Ofc. Shane Miller, Ofc. Gerardo Martinez, and Ofc. Dominique Dickerson for their outstanding professionalism and dedication involved with a recent investigation.
5. Approval of Previous Minutes – February 10, 2026

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

6. Reports of Expenditures February 16 – February 28, 2026

1) Payroll - FT / PT / Officials	\$ 111,257.36
2) Bills Payable	\$ 61,952.55
3) Total Expenditures:	<u>\$ 173,209.91</u>

Action Requested: Motion to approve.

7. Treasurers Report for January 2026

1) Revenues:	\$ 597,882.58
2) Expenses:	\$ 785,645.53

Action Requested: None, information only.

8. Departmental Correspondence

Agenda Item # 1 – President Liska is requesting the board’s approval to re-appoint Lucy Vogt and Laura McGuffey as Pension Trustee with the Forest View Firefighters Pension fund for an unexpired term ending May 1, 2028.

Action requested: Motion to re-appoint Lucy Vogt and Laura McGuffey as Pension Trustee with the Forest View Firefighters Pension fund for an unexpired term ending May 1, 2028.

Agenda Item # 2 – President Liska is requesting the board’s approval to re-appoint Gary Pohanka and Laura McGuffey as Pension Trustee with the Forest View Police Pension fund for an unexpired term ending May 1, 2029.

Action requested: Motion to re-appoint Gary Pohanka and Laura McGuffey as Pension Trustee with the Forest View Police Pension fund for an unexpired term ending May 1, 2029.

Agenda Item # 3- President Liska is requesting the board approve Ordinance No. 26-06 Establishing a Veterans Memorial Committee. The committee will consist of a Chair who shall be a Village Trustee, a Secretary and other community members appointed from time to time by the Village President and approved by the Village Board.

Action requested: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 26-06 Establishing a Veterans Memorial Committee.

Agenda Item # 4 – President Liska is requesting the board’s approval to appoint the following individuals Mike Grossi, Committee Chair, Laura McGuffey, Committee Secretary, Tim Kutt, Project Manager, John Marbes, Resident Veteran Advisor and Gary Pohanka, Resident Veteran Advisor to our newly established Forest View Veterans Memorial Committee.

Action requested: Motion to appoint the following individuals Mike Grossi, Committee Chair, Laura McGuffey, Committee Secretary, Tim Kutt, Project Manager, John Marbes, Resident Veteran Advisor and Gary Pohanka, Resident Veteran Advisor to our newly established Forest View Veterans Memorial Committee.

Agenda Item # 5 – President Liska is requesting the board’s approval to hire Van Bruggen Signs to create and install a Tree decal in the village hall, on the wall outside of the Village office, for a total of \$1,982.00.

Action requested: Motion to approve the purchase and

installation of a Tree Decal from Van Bruggen Signs for a total of \$1,982.00.

Agenda Item # 6 – President Liska to discuss a memo from Attorney Murphy regarding the Forest View Real Estate Transfer Tax Referendum that will be on the election ballot on Tuesday March 17, 2026 and will provide frequently asked questions and answers in the meeting.

Action requested: None, information only.

Agenda Item # 7 – Office Manager Lucy Vogt is requesting the board approve Ordinance No.26-05 to include Open Market to the Vending License Ordinance at a cost of \$100.00 annually.

Action requested: Motion to approve Ordinance No.26-05 to include Open Market to the Vending License Ordinance at a cost of \$100.00 annually.

Agenda Item # 8 – Superintendent of Public Works Miller is requesting the board approve a quote from Air Comfort to replace the Village Hall Vestibule heater blower motor at a cost not to exceed \$1,681.00.

Action requested: Motion to approve a quote from Air Comfort to replace the Village Hall Vestibule heater blower motor at a cost not to exceed \$1,681.00.

Agenda Item # 9 – Superintendent of Public Works Miller is requesting the board approve a quote from Air Comfort to replace the Fire Department air compressor motor at a cost not to exceed \$4,954.00.

Action requested: Motion to approve a quote from Air Comfort to replace the Fire Department air compressor motor at a cost not to exceed \$4,954.00.

Agenda Item # 10 – Memo from Police Chief Ritz requesting to start the process to hire one (1) full time police officer to replace a full-time police officer who resigned and took a position with another police agency.

Action requested: Motion to approve to start the process to hire one (1) full time police officer.

Agenda Item # 11 – Memo from Police Chief Ritz requesting the boards consideration and approval to hire one (1) full-time police officer to maintain current department staffing levels and to begin the process to appoint one (1) current full-time police officer to the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) Federal Task Force.

Action requested: Motion to approve the hiring of one (1) full-time police officer to maintain current department staffing levels and to begin the process to appoint one (1) current full-time police officer to the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) Federal Task Force.

Agenda Item # 12 - Memo from Police Chief Ritz is requesting board support and collaboration to implement a Police Officer Retention Strategic Plan for the Forest View Police Department .

Action requested: None, information only.

Agenda Item # 13 – Memo from Tim Kutt requesting the board to approve an updated Awesome Pest Control Agreement at a cost not to exceed \$375.00 per month which is an increase of \$150.00 per month. This service will include inspecting and treating all municipal building listed in the Scope of Work for general pests and rodents month. Inspect and treat sewers when necessary for rodents and bait along 46<sup>th</sup> street as needed per visual inspections and bait along railroad tracks behind the park.

Action requested: Motion to approve the updated Awesome Pest Control Agreement at a cost not to exceed \$375.00 per month

9. Application for Residential Building Permit:

NF26-03 John W. Marbes, 4523 Wisconsin Ave. Remove existing 12 x 12 wooden shed and replace with a metal storage shed on existing slab.

Action Requested: None, information only.

10. Reports of Officers: NA

11. Reports from Department Heads:

- Building Compliance and Consulting Specialist
  - Discussion regarding Central Stickney .
- Public Works Superintendent Miller:
- Police Chief Ritz:
- Fire Chief Jones:

12. Reports from Village Trustees:

13. Reports from Village President Liska:
14. Questions, Comments, and Announcements:
15. Motion to Adjourn
16. Roll Call:
17. Adjournment