

April 7, 2026

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at 7:04p.m.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees were present:

Trustees Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Torres, Klouda, Smith and Johnson

Before the roll call Mayor Tabor led the Pledge Of Allegiance

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Wednesday, March 18, 2026

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Torres, Klouda, Smith and Johnson

Nays: None

Absent; None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee Johnson moved duly seconded by Trustee Smith that the bills, approved by the various committees of the Board, be approved for payment, and to approve warrants which authorize the Village Treasurer to draw checks to pay the bills, to be signed by the authorized signers, as provided for by the Ordinances of the Village of Stickney.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Torres, Klouda, Smith and Johnson

Nays: None

Absent; None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee Klouda moved duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to Pass and Approve Ordinance 2026-05 “ An Ordinance Granting Local Siting Approval Of A New Pollution Control Facility For The Property Commonly Known As 4000 South Cicero Avenue, Stickney, Illinois”

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Torres, Klouda, Smith and Johnson

Nays: None

Absent; None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee Smith moved duly seconded by Trustee Johnson to Pass And Approve Resolution 04-2026," A Resolution Authorizing And Approving A Certain Purchase Of Rock Salt From The State Of Illinois For The Village Of Stickney, County Of Cook, State Of Illinois"

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Torres, Klouda, Smith and Johnson

Nays: None

Absent; None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor announced that Nick Salvino's wife, Chieko, passed away and gave details of the arrangements. The Mayor sent condolences to Mr. Salvino from himself and the entire board. Mayor Tabor added some thoughts about the passing of his friend's wife. The Mayor gave details of Representative Lisa Hernandez' upcoming Recycle and Shred Event. He told members of the audience to say hi to Mr. Dominick from us. The Mayor discussed the beautiful poppy display in the front lobby put up by Carrie and Jesse from The Rhine VFW and Auxiliary Post 2729. Trustees Johnson and Torres are working together with them. Trustee Johnson stated that they raised over a thousand dollars last year. The Mayor suggested making a donation if you were able. The Mayor thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting.

The Mayor asked Trustee Klouda to read The Proclamation Celebrating Arbor Day. Trustee Klouda is The Tree Board Chairman. The Mayor and Chairman discussed two trees ready to be planted at our schools and one that was donated by the tree farm. The Chairman discussed the recent tree board meeting and the upcoming village tree lottery. There will be Arbor Day Celebrations at both schools on Arbor Day, Friday April 24th.

Clerk's Report: The Clerk discussed some improvements made to the gallery of Stickney Mayor Portraits mounted above the board room entrance. This month is National Social Security Month so it would be a good time to visit an office if the need arises as extra staff is on board. Attorney Fese is helping the Clerk to make sure everyone is in compliance with their Statement of Economic Interest, Open Meetings Act Training and Freedom Of Information Act training.

Trustee Klouda: Announced that any student needing paperwork signed for their school can visit any Trustee after the meeting.

Trustee Smith: Gave details of the upcoming blood drive in memory of Trustee Sam Savopoulos. It will take place Saturday May 2nd in our boardroom 9am-3pm. We are still accepting applications for our 50/50 sidewalk program.

Trustee Johnson: The Annual Village Of Stickney Treasurer's Report for the period ending 4-30-25 was published in the Desplaines Valley News current edition on page 16. It is also posted in the display case in the front lobby. We are working on the budget with the board and the department heads.

Trustee Torres: Thanked everyone for coming out for our Easter celebration. Over 215 kids attended. Carol McGowan from The Desplaines Valley News did a great job with the photographs and article. We put out over 6000 eggs. She thanked Trustee Hrejsa for his hard work. We are working on Cinco De Mayo event.

Trustee Kapolnek: The work on our new website is under way and going well. Things are being moved from the old site to the new one. There will be training available upon completion.

Trustee Hrejsa: Thanked everyone involved with putting together the Easter Egg Hunt. He Thanked Trustee Torres for her great MC job.

The Mayor And Trustee Torres mentioned the Little League /Soccer Parade Saturday May 9th. 41st Street from Grove to Ridgeland.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire Chief Boyajian: Thanked The Mayor for putting the new Fire Department vehicle on the new windshield stickers.

Public Works Director Sam Alonzo: Street sweeping program has begun. Please follow street signs for parking rules.

Police Chief Jerry. Chlada Ir.: Quizzed the students in the audience about when and where the recycling event will take place.

There being no further business, Trustee Torres moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:35p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mitch Milenkovic, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 21st day of April, 2025

Jeff Walik, Mayor