

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK – FEBRUARY 17, 2026

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bolingbrook was called to order at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on February 17, 2026, in Bolingbrook, Illinois, by Mayor Mary S. Alexander-Basta.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Mary S. Alexander-Basta requested Mary Hayes and her daughter Arnia, to lead the pledge to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Village Clerk, Martha M. Barton, called the roll:

Present were: Mayor Mary S. Alexander-Basta, Trustees Michael T. Lawler, Jean M. Kelly, Troy J. Doris, Bhavini K. Patel, Michael J. Carpanzano and Jose Quintero.

Absent: None

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Martha M. Barton; Village Attorney, Burt Odelson; Administrators, Lucas Rickelman and Ken Teppel; Superintendent of Public Works, Guadalupe Gonzales; Police Chief, Michael Rompa; Deputy Police Chief, Sean Koren; IT Manager, Phillip Chau; Finance Director, Rosa Cojulun; Director of Community Development, Matt Eastman and Fire Chief, Chris Jostes.

Absent: None

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS:

Motion Lawler, second Quintero to approve the minutes of the regular meeting January 20, 2026, as submitted by the Village Clerk.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS:

Village Attorney Odelson indicated that there were no additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Approval of the Agenda as presented:

Motion: Lawler

Second: Kelly

Voice Vote: Motion Carried

APPROVAL AND SWEARING-IN OF APPOINTMENT – BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Michael Boyd was approved for a two-year term as Commissioner of the Plan Commission. Mayor Alexander-Basta swore him in as Commissioner.

Motion: Kelly

Second: Quintero

Voice Vote: Motion Carried

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Mayor:

PRESENTATION:

The Bolingbrook Police Department was awarded the Flame of Hope trophy presented by the Illinois Special Olympics for BPD’s significant financial support of the Special Olympics program in the amount of \$57,000. The BPD was also presented with a plaque in recognition of their donations totaling \$59,000. Fundraisers are held throughout the year, but the Torch Run, in which BPD participates, is the top fundraiser for the Special Olympics.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

BILL APPROVAL:

Bill Listing A: Payables in the amount of \$1,680,693.08

Bill Listing B: Payables in the amount of *\$14,905,776.77

Total: \$16,586,469.85

*This amount includes a \$12,325,749.25 payment of bond principal and interest.

Motion: Patel

Second: Lawler

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

TAX RECEIPTS:

December 2025 State Income Tax: \$1,126,963.63, a 2.1% increase from a year ago

November 2025 Sales Tax: \$4,568,847.17, a 22.7% increase from a year ago

December 2025 Motor Fuel Tax: \$299,270.42, a 7.8% decrease from a year ago

November 2025 State Administrative Fee: \$37,329.88

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTIONS:

1. Motion to Approve "D" Construction as the Lowest Responsible Bidder for the Veterans Parkway Bridge Approach and Abutment Repair Project
2. Motion to Approve National Power Rodding Corp. as the Lowest Responsible Bidder for Sanitary Sewer Lining Repairs in Area 3 and Area 8

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution (26R-012) Authorizing the Renewal of Ready Rebound Subscription Services for a Three (3) Year Term
2. Resolution (26R-013) Approving the Proposal of SmartWave Technologies for Phase I and II of the Public Works Wireless Infrastructure Project
3. Resolution (26R-014) Approving the Proposal of Robinson Engineering for Professional Engineering Services for the Construction of the Chemical Coagulation Building at Wastewater Treatment Plant No. 2 (1000 W. Boughton Rd)
4. Resolution (26R-015) Authorizing the Trade-In of a 2007 John Deere 1445 All Terrain Tractor and Purchase of a New John Deere 1575 TerrainCut Commercial Front Mower with Snow Blower from Shorewood Home and Auto
5. Resolution (26R-016) Approving the Proposal of Sebert for Planting and Mulch Installations Along Boughton, Weber and Lily Cache Roads
6. Resolution (26R-017) Approving Three (3) Easement Agreements Between the Village of Bolingbrook and Metronet Infrastructure Group LLC for the Installation of High-Speed Fiberoptic Internet Service at the Northeast Quadrant of Essington Road and Reagan Boulevard

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Omnibus Motion: Lawler
Second: Quintero

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 26R-018

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF MAGNET GRAYKEY CELLPHONE EXTRACTION SOFTWARE FROM MAGNET FORENSICS, LLC:

Motion Lawler, second Kelly to adopt a resolution authorizing the purchase of Magnet Graykey cellphone extraction software from Magnet Forensics, LLC.

This Resolution authorizes the renewal of cellphone extraction software, which is vital to Police Department investigations. The total cost shall not exceed \$36,370.00, which is \$3,630.00 under the total budgeted amount of \$40,000.00. This purchase was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Committee.

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 26R-019

APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR POLICE SERVICES BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK AND VALLEY VIEW COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 365U:

Motion Kelly, second Quintero to adopt a resolution approving an intergovernmental agreement for police services between the Village of Bolingbrook and Valley View Community Unit School District No. 365U.

This Resolution approves an agreement governing the terms of the Village's provision of four police officers to serve as school resource officers. According to the terms of the agreement, the School District will be responsible for reimbursing the officer's salaries for a total of \$550,000.00 per school year. This agreement was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Committee.

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 26R-020

APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK AND UCHICAGO MEDICINE ADVENT HEALTH BOLINGBROOK FOR THE PROVISION OF A LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSES:

Motion Lawler, second Doris to adopt a resolution approving a Memorandum of understanding between the Village of Bolingbrook and UChicago Medicine Advent Health Bolingbrook for the provision of a licensed social worker for Law Enforcement responses.

UChicago Medicine Advent Health Bolingbrook will provide a licensed social worker to assist in responding to and following up on law enforcement incidents involving mental health concerns, crisis intervention and vulnerable populations. The total costs shall not exceed \$70,000.00 for the fiscal year. This action was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Committee.

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 26R-021

APPROVING THE PROPOSAL OF ROBINSON ENGINEERING FOR DESIGN ENGINEERING AND BID DOCUMENT PREPARATION FOR THE SANITARY SEWER LIFT STATION NO. 3 CONVERSION PROJECT:

Motion Kelly, second Carpanzano to adopt a resolution approving the proposal of Robinson Engineering for Design Engineering and Bid Document preparation for the Sanitary Sewer Lift Station No. 3 conversion project.

The Village intends to convert Lift Station No. 3, which serves the northeast region of the Village, from a dry well to a wet well to improve safety and reduce maintenance risks. Robinson Engineering has submitted a proposal for professional engineering services related to design and bid document preparation for a total cost not to exceed \$89,665.00, which is \$335.00 under the budgeted amount of \$90,000.00 This proposal was reviewed and approved by the Public Services and Development Committee.

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 26R-022

APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FROM BUILDERS PAVING, LLC FOR THE ANNUAL STREET RESURFACING PROJECT:

Motion Patel, second Lawler to adopt a resolution approving change order No. 1 from Builders Paving, LLC for the annual street resurfacing project.

The Board previously allocated \$5,035,823.78 for the annual street resurfacing project. The final invoice came in at \$194,899.86 in excess of the amount originally allocated. This Resolution approves a change order to allow payment of the final invoice. With the change order the total cost of this project was \$4,813,254.51, which is still under the budgeted amount of \$5,600,000.00. This action was reviewed and approved by the Public Services and Development Committee.

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 26R-023

APPROVING THE PROPOSAL OF COMPREHENSIVE CONSTRUCTION SOLUTIONS, LLC FOR THE EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF THE HVAC SYSTEM AT FIRE STATION 2 (375 LILY CACHE LANE):

Motion Quintero, second Kelly to adopt a resolution approving the proposal of Comprehensive Construction Solutions, LLC for the emergency replacement of the HVAC system at Fire Station 2 (375 Lily Cache Lane).

The heating system at Fire Station 2 has been inoperable since November of 2025. This Resolution approves the proposal of Comprehensive Construction Solutions, LLC for the emergency replacement of the HVAC system at Fire Station 2 at a cost not to exceed \$68,895.00. This Proposal was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Committee.

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 26-005

AMENDING THE VILLAGE FEE SCHEDULE TO MODIFY BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION FEES (CONTRACTORS' REGISTRATION, PLAN REVIEW FEES AND INSPECTION FEES):

Motion Doris, second Quintero to pass an ordinance amending the Village Fee Schedule to modify buildings and construction fees (Contractors' Registration, Plan Review Fees and Inspection Fees):

This Ordinance makes several minor changes to the Village's fee schedule for buildings and construction, including setting a single rate for all contractor registration, removing reinspection fees and slightly increasing initial inspection fees. These changes were reviewed and approved by the Public Safety and Development Committee.

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 26-006

AMENDING ARTICLE VI ("ELECTRICAL REGULATIONS") OF CHAPTER 10 ("BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION") WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING APPLICATION OF THE ILLINOIS ELECTRICAL VEHICLE CHARGING ACT WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK:

Motion Lawler, second Doris to pass an ordinance amending Article VI ("Electrical Regulations") of Chapter 10 ("Buildings and Construction") within the Village of Bolingbrook Code of Ordinances regarding application of the Illinois Electrical Vehicle Charging Act within the Village of Bolingbrook.

The Illinois Electrical Vehicle Charging Act mandates all new residential construction to include infrastructure for electrical vehicle charging. This amendment to the Village Code is made pursuant to the Village's home rule authority, and *encourages* EV charging in new developments, but does not *require* it, as EV charging can be unnecessarily costly in some new construction. This Ordinance was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety and Development Committee.

ROLL CALL: Yea	6	Carpanzano, Doris, Kelly, Lawler, Patel, Quintero
Nay	0	None
Absent	0	None
Abstentions	0	None

Motion carried.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS:

Village Attorney Odelson indicated that he had a number of issues to discuss.

- *Issue 1:* Illinois American Water served the Village on that day with two briefs (50-page and 35-page documents) contesting the Village's appeal for the most recent rate increase to be repealed. The Village will be appearing tomorrow on this case.

He also pointed out that while this case is pending with the ICC, IAW has asked for *another* increase. He indicated that there will be more to come on this issue. He also mentioned that IAW just purchased AQUA, which is a big distributor of water in Illinois.

- *Issue 2:* The States Attorneys of Cook, DuPage, Will, and Lake Counties, along with the Illinois State Police, Cook County Sheriff, and Chicago Police Department, have come together to work on a policy for dealing with ICE in the communities. This was done as a result of the Executive Order issued by the Mayor of Chicago. The proposed policy should be released as early as next week, and will be provided to the Village's Mayor, Board, and Police Chief for consideration and potential adoption by the Village. This is a very important step since the States Attorneys are the ones who prosecute any wrongdoing by ICE agents or any other law enforcement officers.
- *Issue 3:* After comments from the public, Village Attorney Odelson mentioned that he works with the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF) when he has questions regarding immigration cases.

In response to the public comments calling for an ordinance, he said that they are "worthless, feel-good" pieces of paper that give a false sense of security, putting residents at great jeopardy thinking they can seek protection on Village property, when that's not the case.

He commented that Mayor Alexander-Basta's efforts to bring our state legislators together (which, to his knowledge, has not been done in any other municipalities), are very progressive and have been aimed to let them know what the Village is doing locally and how they can help at the state level. He indicated that with the Trust Act in litigation, there is nothing they can do about that specifically now or likely in the future. He also commented that the Mayor's efforts are being done without fanfare, but she is doing what executive orders and ordinances do not do, she is putting "paper into action".

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE/PRESS:

- Giselle Rodriguez, Executive Director of Illinois Workers in Action (IWA), although recognizing that local government does not control federal policy, called for more transparency in what is being done to make residents feel safe and “seen”, providing access to more resources, and to stand physically and vocally with local residents. Indicated that IWA is ready to collaborate with Village leadership to support those who live in fear.
- Johan Salome, of Illinois Workers in Action, mentioned that after recently meeting with the Mayor and state legislators, he understands that while passing a local ordinance is technically possible, the state has no authority to enforce one. He feels that it would still send a message to the local community that the leadership stands with them. He indicated that he feels that it is still the job of the Mayor and Trustees (within their limitations) to ensure that the residents of the community feel safe by establishing clear protocols to deal with the federal actions and providing links to local resources on the Village website. He also invited residents to attend a Town Hall meeting at Fountaindale Public Library the next day at 6:00 p.m.
- Laura Michelsen, local resident, stated her contention that the US Constitution's 10th Amendment allows for municipal government to establish its own laws beyond the federal level, and called for the Village to pass an ordinance banning ICE from Village property. She mentioned a vigil that had been held at New Life Lutheran Church the previous evening, where the attendees signed a petition calling for the Village to pass such an ordinance. (Photos of the petition are in an attached document.)

TRUSTEE COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

CLERK BARTON: Read the Random Act of Kindness Statement sent by a resident (attached).

TRUSTEE CARPANZANO

- Mentioned the Illinois American Water fiasco. Expressed his opinion that the Village needs continued neighbor-to-neighbor education on what's going on, who the ICC is and how they are impacting our water situation, the process on setting water rates, and where to direct their concerns. The Village needs more voices to be raised. Offered to answer any questions or respond to any concerns.

TRUSTEE KELLY

- Thanked the residents who came out.
- Welcomed Michael Boyd to the Plan Commission.

TRUSTEE QUINTERO

- Thanked new Commissioner Michael Boyd for stepping up.
- Expressed his thanks to all residents who came out to the meeting.
- Thanked BPD for the professional way they handled the BHS student protest, being respectful and keeping everybody safe and secure. Mentioned that the successful

outcome was due in large part because of the BPD SRO's having built a strong rapport and trust with the students that in many cases goes back to middle school.

TRUSTEE DORIS

- Thanked the residents who came out and expressed their thoughts.
- Expressed his appreciation for Illinois Workers in Action's tenacity and commented that the Village needs subject matter experts like them to bring their knowledge and expertise to the table, and that he values their input.
- Expressed his appreciation for everybody's efforts.

TRUSTEE PATEL:

- Echoed what the previous Trustees said.
- Congratulated Michael Boyd as new Commissioner to the Plan Commission.
- Expressed her thanks to the BPD and students from BHS for a peaceful and respectful demonstration.
- Read a statement (attached)

TRUSTEE LAWLER:

- Thanked Trustee Patel for her statement. Agreed that we all have to find ways to keep Bolingbrook safe. Expressed confidence in our team and that we will continue to work with those who are in control of our current situation, and appreciation for Illinois Workers in Action and all they do.
- Mentioned the Cub Scouts' Blue and Gold Dinner the previous Sunday and how parents can find scouting as an opportunity to help our youth develop team, life, and leadership skills.
- Mentioned the recent dinner he attended, welcoming the new Consul General of Pakistan, who expressed his knowledge of and appreciation for the relationship and partnership with Bolingbrook.
- In respect to the recent passing of Jesse Jackson, mentioned that Rev. Jackson had appeared once at a Black History group event at Bolingbrook High School, and later the next day in an interview, he congratulated Bolingbrook High School for its facilities and resources.
- Congratulated new Commissioner Michael Boyd on joining the Plan Commission.

MAYOR:

- Mentioned that the following day marks the beginning of Ramadan, a time of purity, love, and community; sending well-wishes to all those who observe Ramadan Mubarek.
- In response to the comments made by Johan Salome, she thanked him for attending the meeting with the state legislators the previous week, and suggested he reach out to Police Chief Rompa to learn more about the protocols BPD already has in place.

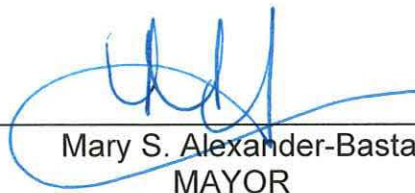
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURNMENT:


Motion Doris, second Quintero to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



Mary S. Alexander-Basta
MAYOR

ATTEST:



Martha M. Barton
VILLAGE CLERK

Random Act of Kindness Statement

Good evening Mayor, Trustees, and members of our Bolingbrook community.

Although I am unable to be present this evening, I wanted my words to be shared in the spirit of something very simple, yet very powerful — kindness.

Kindness is not weakness. It is not avoidance. It is not silence. Kindness is strength under control. It is choosing respect when emotions run high. It is choosing listening over labeling. It is choosing solutions over division.

Public service is not easy work. Our administrators, board members, staff, and volunteers carry enormous responsibility. They balance budgets, manage infrastructure, address safety concerns, and make decisions that impact thousands of lives. These decisions are often complex, and not everyone will agree — nor should they. Healthy disagreement is part of democracy.

But disagreement does not require disrespect.
Conflict does not require cruelty.

We can hold different opinions while still holding onto our humanity.

Kindness in civic discourse means:

- Listening before reacting.
- Questioning policies without attacking people.
- Recognizing the human beings behind every public role.
- Choosing collaboration over condemnation.

As a community, we are stronger when we assume good intent. We are stronger when we ask questions before casting judgment. We are stronger

Trustee Patel's Comments:

When something frightening happens in a neighborhood, fear spreads fast. One story becomes ten posts. Ten posts become a hundred conclusions. And before we know it, we are no longer talking to each other, we are reacting to each other.

The good news is that calm spreads just as easily. So does trust and reassurance. When we choose to listen, stay open, and seek clarity before reacting, we create space for understanding.

What we are seeing is extremely disturbing. No one wants to see force used. No one wants to wonder if something like that could happen on their own street. That moment could have gone in many different directions — some of them tragic. And despite everything I'm still wrestling with, I am grateful that a life was not lost. That someone from our community walked out alive. That matters.

Anger is a natural response to fear. I don't take it personally. I hear it as pain. And your fear is not invisible to us. I know what it feels like to be afraid of a system. And I also know what it feels like to finally find safety and belonging.

I can't promise to change every law or control every agency. But I *can* promise this — I will keep asking hard questions. I will keep showing up. And I will keep working so this village feels like the place my family once searched for.

I hope I helped you understand my perspective. I know I have personally shared this story with people that I have talked to personally - although I feel uncomfortable sharing in a public forumtoday felt it is necessary.

Thank you,

Bhavini

when we speak firmly but respectfully.

Kindness does not mean we stop advocating.

Kindness means we advocate without attacking.

Kindness means we challenge ideas without tearing down people.

The power of kindness is that it builds bridges where anger builds walls. It invites collaboration where hate creates isolation. And it reminds us that at the end of the day, we are neighbors first.

To those who serve this Village — whether elected, appointed, or employed — thank you. Public service often comes with criticism but rarely with recognition. Your work matters. Your effort matters. And your willingness to step forward matters.

Let us commit to a higher standard of discourse. Let us model for our youth that strength and civility can coexist. Let us prove that Bolingbrook can disagree — and still care.

Because kindness is not just an act.

It is a choice.

And it is a responsibility we all share.

Thank you.

Working, immigrant families
that call Bolingbrook home,
**DESERVE TO FEEL
SAFE.**

The Constitution's 10th Amendment
protects a municipality's right to manage its
own buildings and parking lots.

The Village of Bolingbrook
must pass an ordinance

**BANNING ICE & FEDERAL AGENTS' USE
OF VILLAGE PROPERTY FOR
IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT.**

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, SUPPORT THIS PETITION!

Ashira Hayes

Yenny Martinez

Jane Gaffney

Alyssa Gorski-
in CA

Sarah Saba

* Han Wan
Siska *

Luke Johnson

Vin Jones

Diana Johnson

Paula Johnson

Patricia Bruce

Charles Bruce

Koi M. Hinds

Dick Johnson II

Wendy Zarate Valle

Michael J. Niemiec

Chris

Sandy Gordon

Chloe

Theresa Ann L. Voronoff

and Michael Voronoff

Bonnie Ann Parker

KYIR

Stacie Pitz

Joe Pitt

Pastor Paul Carlson

Karen James

Matt Jaergens

Alaina Humphreys

Jackie Ferguson

Tish Sanborn

Sue Lind

Rev. Donna Jalongo

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Laura Michelen

Sandy Ramirez

Miracle

Bonnie Wiggins

Bryan Gordon

Don Storb

Ruth Vajon

Sue Vane

Marie Najera

Deana Amichong

Bob Armstrong

Linda Coleman

Karyn Pounds, LCSW

Rev. Rakel Evanson
New Life Lutheran
Church

Peter Ingelsoo
son of Rakel Evanson

Timmer

Jojo Gaetzel

Nancy Loring

Julie Salep

Ben Armstrong

Steve Hill