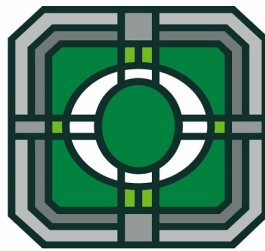


# VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK

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## Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 6, 2026

6:00 PM

Village Hall

## Committee of the Whole

*Village President James V. Dodge, Jr.  
Village Clerk Mary Ryan Norwell  
Trustees, William R. Healy, Cynthia Nelson Katsenes, Michael R. Milani,  
Dina Lawrence, John Lawler and Joanna M. L. Leafblad*

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

**Present:** 7 - Trustee Healy; Trustee Nelson Katsenes; Trustee Milani; Trustee Lawrence; Trustee Lawler; Trustee M. L. Leafblad and President Dodge, Jr.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES****2026-0293 Approval of the March 16, 2026, Committee of the Whole Minutes**

I move to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of March 16, 2026.

**A motion was made by Trustee Nelson Katsenes, seconded by Trustee Lawler, that this matter be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Trustee Healy, Trustee Nelson Katsenes, Trustee Milani, Trustee Lawrence, Trustee Lawler, Trustee M. L. Leafblad, and President Dodge Jr.

**Nay:** 0

**ITEMS FOR SEPARATE ACTION****2026-0291 Proclamation Recognizing K-9 Maverick**

K-9 Maverick joined the Orland Park Police Department in 2018 after completing specialized training in trailing and narcotics detection. In 2020, Maverick and his handler, Officer Joe Zumerling, were assigned to a multi-agency stolen auto task force, assisting numerous law enforcement agencies and school districts throughout the region.

Over the course of his distinguished career, Maverick has been deployed more than 200 times, contributing to the recovery of significant quantities of narcotics and assisting in numerous missing and endangered person searches. His service reflects a strong commitment to public safety and the community.

After eight years of dedicated service, Maverick will retire from active duty on April 6, 2026. In recognition of his contributions, the attached proclamation designates April 6, 2026, as "K-9 Maverick Day" in the Village of Orland Park.

Chief of Police Eric Rossi had comments and presented K-9 Maverick with a retirement badge. (refer to audio)

Officer Zumerling had comments. (refer to audio)

**This item was a presentation only NO ACTION was required.**

**RECESS**

President Dodge entertained a motion to recess for K-9 Maverick's retirement reception.

**A motion was made by Trustee M. L. Leafblad, seconded by Trustee Lawler, that this matter be RECESS. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**RECONVENE MEETING**

The meeting was reconvened at 6:30 P.M.

**Present:** 7 - Trustee Healy; Trustee Nelson Katsenes; Trustee Milani; Trustee Lawrence; Trustee Lawler; Trustee M. L. Leafblad and President Dodge, Jr.

**2026-0311 Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce - Monthly Update**

Dan McMillian, President of the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce, provided an update regarding Chamber matters.

President Dodge had comments. (refer to audio)

Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce President Dan McMillian presented information on the matter. (refer to audio)

President Dodge had comments. (refer to audio)

**This item was a presentation only NO ACTION was required.**

**2026-0343 Consideration of Procedures to Streamline Village Board Meetings**

The Village's legal counsel from Ancel Glink reviewed recent Village Board meetings to identify opportunities to improve efficiency and streamline meeting processes. Multiple meetings were reviewed with the goal of identifying procedural adjustments that could reduce the overall meeting length while maintaining compliance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act (OMA) and ensuring transparency to the public.

The Open Meetings Act requires that posted agendas clearly set forth the general subject matter of items to be considered for final action and that the public be adequately informed of the business being conducted.

Following their review, legal counsel provided recommendations intended to maintain compliance with the law while reducing repetitive language during meeting proceedings.

CONSENT AGENDA

One of the primary observations from the review involved the manner in which items on the Consent Agenda are introduced. While the Open Meetings Act requires public recital of items, the current practice of reading full titles into the record is not required. Legal counsel advises that agenda items may be summarized without compromising compliance.

For example:

- Full title: Riveria County Club located at 8801 143rd Street, Due Diligence Professional Services Contract Award
- Summarized title: Riviera Country Club Professional Services Contract Award

Village staff will also be directed to be more cognizant of the length of agenda titles when drafting items to support this effort.

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#### PROPOSED MOTIONS

Similarly, Trustees currently spend a significant amount of reciting lengthy motions not included on the Consent agenda.

To improve efficiency, Trustees may utilize shorter more concise motions such as:

- "I move to approve the ordinance as presented."
- "I move to approve the resolution as presented."
- "I move to approve the contract with [vendor] in an amount not to exceed [\$ amount]."

#### Example 1

Proposed Motion:

I move to approve a contract for professional services with Company X located in Hometown, Illinois in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for ABC building located at 123 Main Street, and authorize the Village Manager to execute all related contracts subject to Village Attorney review.

Shortened Motion:

I move to approve the contract with Company X in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.

#### Example 2

Proposed Motion:

I move to adopt Ordinance 6095, entitled: ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 1 (ADMINISTRATION) CHAPTER 16 (PROCUREMENT) SECTION 1-16-7 (CONSTRUCTION BIDDING AND CONTRACTS) ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR THE DETERMINATION OF A RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR VILLAGE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

Shortened Motion:

I move to approve the ordinance as presented.

Full motion language will continue to be included in agenda materials prepared for the Board, and also available to the public through the Village's Legislative Information Center.

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#### POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS

Village staff currently prepares presentations for agenda items requiring a more detailed overview. To improve meeting efficiency, staff will develop condensed versions of these presentations for use during meetings. While the full presentations will continue to be made available to the Village Board and the public in advance, staff will focus on highlighting key points rather than presenting the material in its entirety. Members of the Village Board are encouraged to review the complete presentations prior to each meeting.

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Implementing these procedural adjustments is expected to reduce time spent on individual agenda items while maintaining transparency and compliance with the Open Meetings Act. While each change is minor, the cumulative impact across multiple agenda items could significantly streamline Village Board meetings.

President Dodge made comments. (refer to audio)

Public Works Director Joel Van Essen had comments. (refer to audio)

Village Manager George Koczwara had comments. (refer to audio)

Deputy Clerk Alexandra Snodsmith presented information on the matter. (refer to audio)

Trustee Lawler had questions. (refer to audio)

Deputy Clerk Snodsmith responded to Trustee Lawler. (refer to audio)

President Dodge had questions. (refer to audio)

Deputy Clerk Snodsmith responded to President Dodge. (refer to audio)

Trustee Leafblad had comments. (refer to audio)

Village Attorney Michael Stillman had comments. (refer to audio)

Trustee Healy had questions. (refer to audio)

Attorney Stillman responded to Trustee Healy. (refer to audio)

President Dodge had comments. (refer to audio)

Trustee Milani had comments. (refer to audio)

President Dodge had comments. (refer to audio)

Attorney Stillman responded to President Dodge. (refer to audio)

Village Clerk Mary Ryan Norwell had comments. (refer to audio)

President Dodge had questions. (refer to audio)

Attorney Stillman responded to President Dodge. (refer to audio)

President Dodge had comments. (refer to audio)

Attorney Stillman had comments. (refer to audio)

**This item was for discussion only NO ACTION was required.**

**2026-0348 Doogan Park, Construction, Contract Award**

The Village issued RFP #26-020 for Doogan Park Renovations on February 13, 2026 to solicit proposals from qualified contractors for the construction of improvements at Doogan Park. The work includes playground installation, bocce ball court installation, half-basketball court installation, drainage improvements, HMA parking lot and path resurfacing and reconstruction.

Proposals were evaluated based on prices and vendors' qualifications.

The RFP yielded four proposals as shown below.

V3 Construction Group, Ltd - \$1,967,700.00  
Landworks Ltd - \$1,989,370.00  
Martam Construction, Inc - \$2,105,867.35  
John Keno & Company, Inc - \$2,201,192.00

Staff recommends entering into an agreement with V3 Construction Group, Ltd. at the proposed cost of \$1,967,700.00, and allowing a contingency of 10%, \$196,770.00, for unforeseen circumstances.

President Dodge had comments. (refer to audio)

Village Attorney Michael Stillman had comments. (refer to audio)

President Dodge had comments. (refer to audio)

Trustee Milani had questions. (refer to audio)

President Dodge responded to Trustee Milani. (refer to audio)

I move to recommend the execution of a Contractor Agreement between the Village of Orland Park and V3 Construction Group, Ltd of Woodridge, IL for Doogan Park, Construction for a total not-to-exceed contract price of \$1,967,700.00;

AND

Approve a project contingency in an amount not to exceed \$196,770.00 (10%) for unforeseen conditions;

AND

Authorize the Village Manager to execute all related contracts, subject to Village Attorney review;

AND

Authorize the Village Manager to approve change orders not to exceed the contingency amount.

**A motion was made by Trustee Lawler, seconded by Trustee Lawrence, that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL to the Board of Trustees. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Trustee Healy, Trustee Nelson Katsenes, Trustee Milani, Trustee Lawrence, Trustee Lawler, Trustee M. L. Leafblad, and President Dodge Jr.

**Nay:** 0

**2026-0357 ITB #26-018 Asphalt Pavement Patching 2026 - Award**

The 2026 Asphalt Pavement Patching project comprises the required maintenance upkeep for a large amount of asphalt roadway patching at various spot-locations throughout the Village.

For 2026, Staff has been collecting asphalt patch locations throughout the Village to be provided for this work. The bid documents provided asphalt patch quantity estimates for vendors to bid on.

ITB #26-018 for the 2026 Asphalt Pavement Patching project was published on BidNet Direct from February 6, 2026, to February 27, 2026. BidNet data indicates twenty-six (26) vendors, eighteen (18) local to Illinois, downloaded all bid documents. On February 27, 2026, at 11 a.m., seven (7) sealed bids were opened by the Clerk's Office. The attached Bid Compliance Summary shows details of the bids for reference, and a summary of lump sum bid amounts is below:

Dale Inc. of New Lenox, IL - \$381,000.00  
Advantage Paving Solutions Inc. of Joliet, IL - \$395,250.01  
McGill Construction LLC of Frankfort, IL - \$433,237.50  
Lindahl Brothers, Inc. of Bensenville, IL - \$452,675.00  
D Construction Inc. of Coal City, IL - \$509,500.00  
M & J Asphalt Paving Company, Inc. of Cicero, IL - \$521,950.00  
Gallagher Asphalt Corporation of Thornton, IL - \$728,500.00

Dale Inc. of New Lenox, Illinois, is identified as the lowest bidder for the 2026 Asphalt Pavement Patching project, with a submitted project cost of \$381,000.00, but were determined not to be responsible due to discrepancies in submitted paperwork. Therefore, it is staff's recommendation that the next lowest bid from Advantage Paving Solutions Inc. of Joliet, IL, be awarded the project for the 2026 Asphalt Pavement Patching project for \$395,250.01.

This agenda was considered by the Committee of the Whole and the Village Board of Trustees on the same night.

I move recommend to the Village Board to approve and authorize the execution of a Contractor Agreement between the Village of Orland Park and Advantage Paving Solutions Inc. of Joliet, IL, as the lowest cost qualified responsive bidder for ITB #26-018, 2026 Asphalt Pavement Patching for a total not to exceed \$395,250.01.

**A motion was made by Trustee Lawrence, seconded by Trustee M. L. Leafblad, that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL to the Board of Trustees. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Trustee Healy, Trustee Nelson Katsenes, Trustee Milani, Trustee Lawrence, Trustee Lawler, Trustee M. L. Leafblad, and President Dodge Jr.

**Nay:** 0

### **2026-0355 ITB #26-021 Rebuild Illinois Roadwork - Award**

The Rebuild Illinois (RBI) Roadwork Program includes the maintenance and reconstruction of various roadways/streets throughout the Village. Between May 2020 and September 2022, the Village received a total of \$3,741,168.66 in six (6) installments, \$623,258.11 each. Engineering used some of these funds for various projects, leaving a balance of \$1,247,056.22. The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) is requiring the remaining RBI money to be spent in 2026, or it will need to be returned. The RBI Roadwork Program will utilize these funds. The program is guided by the recommendations of the Village's pavement management consultant, Applied Research Associates (ARA), in collaboration with Public Works staff's extensive knowledge of Village roadways.

For FY2026, streets scheduled for resurfacing and reconstruction are found in the Catalina East neighborhood, streets included are Evergreen Drive, Aubrieta Lane, 153rd between 73rd Ave and Catalina Drive and 152nd, 153rd, and 154th streets between 73rd Ave and Harlem Ave. In addition to pavement-related work, repair and/or replacement of hazardous sidewalks, failed curbs, and deteriorated storm sewer structures will be performed on an as-identified basis. In all of the above project areas, all non-compliant sidewalks, most notably at street crossings, will be upgraded in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

To initiate the RBI Roadwork Program, a request for proposals ITB #26-021 Rebuild Illinois Roadwork was published on BidNet Direct from February 27, 2026 to March 25, 2026. During that time, thirty-nine (39) vendors downloaded at least one (1) of the proposal documents, twenty-eight (28) vendors were local to Illinois, and proposals were received from eleven (11) contractors. A summary of the proposals is below:

M&J Asphalt Paving Company Inc. of Cicero, IL - \$619,450.22  
Lindahl Brothers, Inc. of Bensenville, IL - \$621,115.22  
Davis Concrete Construction of Monee, IL - \$629,619.22  
Austin Tyler Construction Inc. of Elwood, IL - \$638,840.40  
McGill Construction Co. of Frankfort, IL - \$643,188.52  
Everlast Blacktop of Elgin, IL - \$648,931.77  
K-Five Construction Co. of Westmont, IL - \$652,025.22  
D Construction of Coal City, IL - \$664,534.20  
P.T. Ferro Construction of Joliet, IL - 675,311.52  
Builders Paving LLC of Hillside, IL - \$699,789.00  
Gallagher Construction of Thornton, IL - \$699,921.47

M&J Asphalt Paving Company Inc. of Cicero, IL was identified as the lowest responsible bidder for the RBI Roadwork Program with a submitted total project cost of \$619,450.22 for 2026. This amount is below the engineer's estimate. IDOT has also approved the Village to let out additional road areas for the remaining funds.

This agenda item was considered by the Committee of the Whole and the Village Board of Trustees on the same night.

I move to recommend to the Village Board to approve and authorize the execution of a Contractor Agreement between the Village of Orland Park and M&J Asphalt Paving Company Inc. of Cicero, IL, as the lowest cost qualified responsive bidder for ITB #26-021, RBI Roadwork Program for an amount not to exceed \$619,450.22.

**A motion was made by Trustee M. L. Leafblad, seconded by Trustee Lawrence, that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL to the Board of Trustees. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Trustee Healy, Trustee Nelson Katsenes, Trustee Milani, Trustee Lawrence, Trustee Lawler, Trustee M. L. Leafblad, and President Dodge Jr.

**Nay:** 0

#### **2026-0375 Village of Orland Park America250 Initiatives**

On July 4, 2026, the United States will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776.

America250 birthday is an opportunity to create meaningful, locally relevant ways for the Village to connect with the community and historic U.S. milestones. The once-in-a-generation milestone provides a meaningful opportunity to bring the community together in celebration, reflection and civic pride.

Through a series of events, programs, and community initiatives, the Village will recognize this historic occasion by highlighting local heritage, fostering community connections and creating inclusive opportunities for residents of all ages to participate. These efforts will not only honor the nation's history but also celebrate the unique character of our community and inspire a shared vision for the future.

On December 1, 2025, the Village Board approved a resolution (attached) in support of Illinois America250 Commemoration supporting the Illinois250 Commission and encouraging Illinois communities to organize and participate in local events leading up to and culmination on July 4, 2026, to celebrate America's 250th anniversary.

The Village's America250 celebration will kick-off with the Memorial Day weekend parade on Saturday, May 23, 2026 beginning at 10 a.m. This patriotic celebration will traverse down Jillian Rd. to Park Station Blvd. adjacent to Centennial Park

West.

The celebration will continue with a planned amateur cook-off competition (subject to enough participants) and BBQ Fest with 3 bands, children's and other America250 themed activities at Centennial Park West. The day will include patriotic commemorations culminating in a fireworks display at 9 p.m.

Staff have worked collectively with the America250 Advisory Board to devise a myriad of initiatives, programs and events to celebrate the United States' Semiquincentennial as detailed in the attached.

Expenses for America250 events, programs and initiatives are projected to be approximately \$30,000 as detailed in the attached. America250 expense details were not included in the 2026 Special Events budget. A budget amendment will be required at a future date to fund these initiatives.

Trustee Katsenes had comments and questions. (refer to audio)

Recreation and Parks Director Ray Piattoni responded to Trustee Katsenes. (refer to audio)

President Dodge responded to Trustee Katsenes. (refer to audio)

Trustee Lawrence had questions. (refer to audio)

President Dodge responded to Trustee Lawrence. (refer to audio)

Village Attorney Michael Stillman responded to Trustee Lawrence. (refer to audio)

Trustee Lawrence amended the motion. (refer to audio)

President Dodge had comments. (refer to audio)

Attorney Stillman had comments. (refer to audio)

I move to recommend to the Village Board to approve the planned America250 initiatives as outlined in item 2026-0366 including the funding of America250 costs in a future budget amendment.

**A motion was made by Trustee Lawrence, seconded by Trustee Lawler, that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL to the Board of Trustees. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Trustee Healy, Trustee Nelson Katsenes, Trustee Milani, Trustee Lawrence, Trustee Lawler, Trustee M. L. Leafblad, and President Dodge Jr.

**Nay:** 0

**NON-SCHEDULED CITIZENS & VISITORS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS RELEVANT TO VILLAGE BUSINESS**

Resident Tracy Sullivan addressed the Committee to compliment the Communication and Marketing Department. (refer to audio)

**ADJOURNMENT 7:01 P.M.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Nelson Katsenes, seconded by Trustee M. L. Leafblad, that this matter be ADJOURNED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Trustee Healy, Trustee Nelson Katsenes, Trustee Milani, Trustee Lawrence, Trustee Lawler, Trustee M. L. Leafblad, and President Dodge Jr.

**Nay:** 0

**2026-0403 Audio Recording for the April 6, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting**

**NO ACTION**

**/BC**

APPROVED: April 20, 2026

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Mary Ryan Norwell

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**Mary Ryan Norwell, Village Clerk**