

# VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK

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## Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 4, 2021

6:00 PM

Village Hall

## Committee of the Whole

*Village President Keith Pekau*

*Village Clerk John C. Mehalek*

*Trustees, Kathleen M. Fenton, James V. Dodge, Jr., Daniel T. Calandriello,  
William R. Healy, Cynthia Nelson Katsenes, and Michael R. Milani*

## CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

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

**Present:** 6 - President Pekau; Trustee Fenton; Trustee Calandriello; Trustee Healy; Trustee Nelson Katsenes and Trustee Milani

**Absent:** 1 - Trustee Dodge

## ROLL CALL

Trustee Dodge arrived at 6:01 P.M.

**Present:** 7 - President Pekau; Trustee Fenton; Trustee Dodge; Trustee Calandriello; Trustee Healy; Trustee Nelson Katsenes and Trustee Milani

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

### 2021-0009 Approval of the December 21, 2020, Committee of the Whole Minutes

I move to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of December 21, 2020.

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

**Aye:** 7 - President Pekau, Trustee Fenton, Trustee Dodge, Trustee Calandriello, Trustee Healy, Trustee Nelson Katsenes, and Trustee Milani

**Nay:** 0

## ITEMS FOR SEPARATE ACTION

### 2020-0858 The Orland Park Police Department's Awards Ceremony, Badge Pinning and the Swearing in of Recently Certified Police Officers and Newly Promoted Sergeants

In the first ever held ceremony at a Committee of the Whole Board Meeting, Mayor Pekau and Chief Joseph Mitchell will honor members of the Orland Park Police Department and community members for their heroic and selfless actions that took place from October of 2019 through October of 2020.

Recently promoted Deputy Chief Eric Rossi and Commander Kenneth Rosinski will have their badges pinned on them by their wives (Laura and Jennifer).

Additionally, Dave O'Connor, the Chairman of the Board of Fire and Police Commission will swear in newly promoted Sergeants John Swendsen and Scott Shuster along with two new officers, Ryan Barth and Tyler Lindgren.

Mayor Pekau made comments. (refer to audio)

Chief of Police Joseph Mitchell made comments. (refer to audio)

Chairman of the Board of Fire and Police Commission David O'Connor made comments. (refer to audio)

Chief of Police Mitchell and Chairman of the Board of Fire and Police Commission O'Connor swore in new officers and promoted current officers. (refer to audio)

Chief of Police Mitchell and Chairman of the Board of Fire and Police Commission O'Connor presented promotion badges to current officers. (refer to audio)

Deputy Chief of Police Eric Rossi made comments. (refer to audio)

Tami O'Brien of Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists made comments. (refer to audio)

Deputy Chief of Police Rossi made comments. (refer to audio)

Chief of Police Mitchell made comments. (refer to audio)

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

**2021-0015 Agenda Initiative - Independent Investigation of Single Family Homes Purchased and Sold by the Village**

Per the Village Code, any individual Trustee can request that an initiative be placed on the Committee of the Whole agenda by instructing the Village Manager, either verbally or in writing, before noon on the Friday preceding the meeting, to place an item on the Committee of the Whole agenda. Village/Legal staff time is restricted until after at least three Trustees vote to move the 'Agenda Initiative' forward.

Agenda Initiatives include (1) the expenditure of money; (2) modifications to the Village Code; (3) formation/modification of Village policies; (4) the introduction of an ordinance or resolution; (5) the formation/modification of committees; (6) budget changes and/or (7) the appropriation of Village/Legal staff time.

Trustee Milani presented the item. (refer to audio)

Trustee Katsenes made comments. (refer to audio)

Trustee Calandriello made comments. (refer to audio)

Trustee Fenton made comments and asked questions. (refer to audio)

Village Manager George Koczwara responded to Trustee Fenton's question. (refer to audio)

Trustee Healy made comments. (refer to audio)

Trustee Dodge made comments. (refer to audio)

Trustee Fenton and Village Manager Koczwara asked questions. (refer to audio)

Trustee Fenton and Village Manager Koczwara made comments. (refer to audio)

Trustees Milani, Healy, Dodge and Calandriello made comments. (refer to audio)

Trustee Milani, Mayor Pekau and Village Manager Koczwara made comments. (refer to audio)

Trustee Calandriello asked a question. (refer to audio)

Village Attorney Dennis Walsh and Trustee Calandriello made comments. (refer to audio)

A Consensus was taken as to whether or not this item should be brought forward to the Board level to be voted on. This passed with a unanimous vote. (refer to audio)

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

**ADJOURNMENT 7:05 P.M.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Fenton, seconded by Trustee Healy, that this matter be ADJOURNMENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - President Pekau, Trustee Fenton, Trustee Dodge, Trustee Calandriello, Trustee Healy, Trustee Nelson Katsenes, and Trustee Milani

**Nay:** 0

**2021-0018 Audio Recording for the January 4, 2021, Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

**NO ACTION**

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Respectfully Submitted,

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**John C. Mehalek, Village Clerk**