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# PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF CICERO

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The Board of Trustees of the Town of Cicero met Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 10:00 A.M., in the Town Hall Council Chambers, Town of Cicero.

On roll call there were present:

President: Dominick  
Clerk: Punzo-Arias  
Trustees: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.  
Absent: Trustee Garcia - Excused

Thereupon, President Dominick declared a quorum present and the meeting duly convened and requested that all present in attendance stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., were approved, the reading being dispensed with, each member having received a copy.

## ***PRESENTATION***

Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Energy Efficiency Outreach Specialist, Tori Woolbright addressed the Board highlighting their partnership with gas and electric utility companies to promote a Home Energy Savings Program for single family housing.

## ***APPROVAL OF BILLS***

**(179-24)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Cava, the list of bills itemized in Warrant #21, dated November 7, 2024, in the total amount of \$2,713,393.12; the list of manual checks dated October 18, 2024 thru November 4, 2024 in the total amount of \$5,443.45, and list of online payments dated October 18, 2024 thru November 7, 2024 in the total amount of \$126.70, were accepted, placed on file and approved for payment; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.  
Nays: None.

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**(180-24)**

On motion of Trustee Reitz seconded by Trustee Vargas, payroll (*Estimated Corporate \$1,836,311.35 & Library \$25,975.38*) was approved for the active employees listed on the printout dated 11-06-24; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(181-24)**

By Trustee Virruso:

RESOLVED, that the list of medical claims and the stop loss insurance policy premium for the month of October/2024, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$1,608,315.15, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Vargas, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(182-24)**

By Trustee Cava:

RESOLVED, that the list of HMO medical claims insurance policy premium for the month of November/2024, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$45,333.30, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Porod, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(183-24)**

By Trustee Porod:

RESOLVED, that the life and accidental death & dismemberment insurance premium for the month of November/2024, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$6,030.66, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

## ***PERMIT***

**(184-24)**

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Reitz, permission was granted the Our Lady, the Mystical Rose Parish to sell alcohol at their event “Marian Council Christmas Dinner” on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Mary Queen of Heaven School Gymnasium (5300 W. 24<sup>th</sup> Place).

## ***REPORT***

**(185-24)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Porod, the Collector’s Office Report (\$242,905.05) and the Revenue Summary Report (\$832,644.42) for the month of October/2024, submitted by Fran Reitz, Collector, was accepted and placed on file; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

## ***ORDINANCE***

**(“O” 56-24)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Cava, the Ordinance granting a special use permit to operate gaming café at 5427 W. 25<sup>th</sup> Street was accepted, placed on file and approved for passage by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None

## ***RESOLUTIONS***

**(“R” 115-24)**

On motion of Trustee Reitz seconded by Trustee Virruso, the Resolution authorizing and approving a quote from Rave Wireless, Inc. for an alert messaging system for the Town (*To provide electronic communication regarding critical matters and/or emergencies for the Town in the total amount of \$33,450.00*) was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(“R” 116-24)**

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing and approving certain invoices from Standard Equipment Co. for repair services provided to the Town (*Providing maintenance and repair services to MS2 & MS4 Street Sweepers for the Public Works Department in the total amount of \$39,385.85*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None

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**(“R” 117-24)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Cava, the Resolution authorizing the Town President to enter into a Locally Based Service Vehicle Program Agreement with Pace for the Town (*Allows for the use of Pace-owned vehicles to provide transportation to senior citizens and individuals with disabilities in a manner to reduce the number of motor vehicles on the road*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(“R” 118-24)**

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Reitz, the Resolution authorizing the Town President to enter into a Municipal Vehicle Program Agreement with Pace for the Town (*Allows for the use of Pace-owned vehicles to provide transportation to senior citizens and individuals with disabilities in a manner to reduce the number of motor vehicles on the road*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(“R” 119-24)**

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code appropriating \$416,650.00 out of MFT Funds for the Town's 2024 MFT General Maintenance, Section No. 24-00000-00-GM, which includes the annual cost for the following listed items, was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

**2024 MFT Maintenance Items:**

1) Traffic Signal Maintenance Cost on IDOT Routes (4 Intersections)	\$ 49,400.00
2) Electrical Energy Costs (ComEd) for Street, Alley Lights & Traffic Signal	\$366,000.00
3) Maintenance Engineering	\$ 1,250.00
<i>Total Cost</i>	<i>\$416,650.00</i>

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**(“R” 120-24)**

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing the Town President to enter into a Maintenance Engineering Services Agreement with Novotny and Associates, Inc. for the Town (*In connection with the 2024 Motor Fuel Tax General Maintenance, Section No. 24-00000-00-GM*) was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(“R” 121-24)**

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Reitz, the Resolution authorizing and approving the settlement of litigation in the case Elroy Lopez V. Town of Cicero for the Town of Cicero, (*Claim No 231215W004-0003*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for passage by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None

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**(“R” 122-24)**

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing and approving the purchase of security system technology from Current Technologies, Inc. for the Town (*Providing certain upgrades & equipment for the security oversight of all Town owned properties for the Town in the total amount of \$39,385.85*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None

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**(“R” 123-24)**

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Virruso, the Resolution authorizing and approving the purchase of gift certificates related to the Town of Cicero’s Holiday Programs (*\$15.00 gift certificates from a local store to eligible residents offset the cost of the holidays, not to exceed \$28,000.00; Special Events 750 cards & Senior Center 1,000 cards*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None

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**(“R” 124-24)**

On motion of Trustee Reitz seconded by Trustee Virruso, the Resolution authorizing the Town President to enter into and approve a certain Reimbursement Agreement with CRG Acquisition LLC for the Town (*Allows for the reimbursement to the Town of expenses incurred in connection with the Cook County’s Real Property Assessment Classification of real properties: 5301 W. Roosevelt Rd and 5401 W. Roosevelt Rd*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None

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**(“R” 125-24)**

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing the Town President to enter into a Rink Affiliation Agreement with the Chicago Blackhawks Hockey Team, Inc. for the Town (*Allows for the partnership on various marketing efforts*), was accepted, placed on file and approved adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

### **(186-24)**

On the motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Reitz, the 2024 Tax Levy Determination (*Proposed amount to be levied for fiscal year 2024 - \$45,054,386.00*), was accepted, placed on file, and action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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### **(187-24)**

On the motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Board concurred with the recommendation by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to promote Thomas Santoro to the of rank of Deputy Chief for the Cicero Fire Department, was accepted, placed on file, and action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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### **(188-24)**

On the motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Cava, the Board concurred with the recommendation by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to promote Noah Buckley to the of rank of Assistant Chief for the Cicero Fire Department, was accepted, placed on file, and action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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### **(189-24)**

On the motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Porod, the Board concurred with the recommendation by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to promote Daniel Pedretti to the of rank of Assistant Chief for the Cicero Fire Department, was accepted, placed on file, and action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(190-24)**

On the motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Board concurred with the recommendation by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to promote Michael Stahl to the of rank of Lieutenant for the Cicero Fire Department, was accepted, placed on file, and action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(191-24)**

On the motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Porod, the Board concurred with the recommendation by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to promote Edward Ross to the of rank of Lieutenant for the Cicero Fire Department, was accepted, placed on file, and action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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**(192-24)**

On the motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Board concurred with the recommendation by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to promote Adam Marcolini to the of rank of Engineer for the Cicero Fire Department, was accepted, placed on file, and action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

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President Dominick opened the meeting to the public for their comments.

President Dominick congratulated all who were promoted.

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On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Vargas, the board then stood adjourned at 10:33 A.M. to meet on Tuesday, November 26, 2024 at 10:00 A.M., in the Town Hall, Town of Cicero.

MARIA A. PUNZO-ARIAS, TOWN CLERK