
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF CICERO

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Cicero met Tuesday, February 11, 2025 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, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas.
Absent: Trustee Virruso – 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, January 28th, 2025 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., were approved, the reading being dispensed with, each member having received a copy.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

(20-25)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Cava, the list of bills itemized in Warrant #3, dated February 6, 2025, in the total amount of \$2,413,581.43, Payment Register dated January 29, 2025 thru February 11, 2025, in the total amount \$6,278.69; the list of manual checks dated January 24, 2025 thru February 5, 2025 in the total amount of \$842,624.68, and list of online payments dated January 25, 2025 thru February 5, 2025 in the total amount of \$210.00, were accepted, placed on file and approved for payment; action taken by the following vote:

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

Nays: None.

(21-25)

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Vargas, payroll (*Estimated Corporate \$1,886,190.85 & Library \$25,975.38*) was approved for the active employees listed on the printout dated 2-06-25; action taken by the following vote:

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

Nays: None.

(22-25)

By Trustee Garcia:

RESOLVED, that the list of medical claims and the stop loss insurance policy premium for the month of January/2025, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$1,568,425.45, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

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

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

Nays: None.

(23-25)

By Trustee Vargas:

RESOLVED, that the list of HMO medical claims insurance policy premium for the month of February/2025, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$25,096.37, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

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

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

Nays: None.

(24-25)

By Trustee Vargas:

RESOLVED, that the life and accidental death & dismemberment insurance premium for the month of February/2025, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$6,193.72, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

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

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

Nays: None.

PERMIT

(25-25)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Vargas, the request submitted by the American Legion Cicero Post 96 covering their “Veterans Inspiring Balance & Empowerment” a mental & physical wellness event on Sunday, April 20, 2025 from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM which included the closing of 58th Court from 35th Street to south side of alley, was tabled to the next scheduled meeting for further review.

REPORT

(26-25)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Collector’s Office Report (\$215,704.70) and the Revenue Summary Report (\$577,603.98) for the month of January/2025, submitted by Fran Reitz, Collector, was accepted and placed on file; action taken by the following vote:

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

Nays: None.

ORDINANCES

(“O” 13-25)

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Ordinance authorizing and approving certain no cost increase change orders in connection with the construction of an Inclusive Park for the Town (*To effectuate change order(s) no. 003, 004, 005, 006, 007 & 008 as listed Exhibit “A”*) was accepted, placed on file and approved for passage by the following vote:

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

Nays: None

(“O” 14-25)

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Ordinance approving a special permit for the operation of a gaming café at 6126 West Cermak Rd was accepted, placed on file and approved for passage by the following vote:

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

Nays: None

RESOLUTIONS

(“R” 7-25)

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Reitz, the Resolution adopting the updated of the Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Town (*To accept, approve and adopt in its entirety, Volume I, the Countywide Mitigation Actions in Volume 2 and the Town Jurisdictional Annex of Volume 2 of the 2024 Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

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

Nays: None

(“R” 8-25)

On motion of Trustee Reitz seconded by Trustee Cava, the Resolution authorizing and approving the settlement of litigation and the execution of a certain settlement agreement in the case of *Gary Conley V. Town of Cicero* for the Town of Cicero, (*Case No 2023 WC 026602*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for passage by the following vote:

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

Nays: None

(“R” 9-25)

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Garcia, the Resolution authorizing the Town President to enter into an agreement with Klandestino Entertainment, Inc. to provide services to the Town (*To provide musical artist engagement services, staging, lighting, and sound equipment for: 2025 Cinco de Mayo Fest (May 1 – May 5, 2025), 2025 Mexican Independence Day (September 10 – 15, 2025), and 2025 Houby Fest (October 2 – 5, 2025)*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

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

Nays: None

NEW BUSINESS

(27-25)

On the motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Cava, authorization was granted for the bonus payment to the Crossing Guards employed by the Town, was accepted, placed on file, and action taken by the following vote:

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

Nays: None.

(28-25)

On the motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Garcia, authorization was given to the Town Clerk's Office for the issuance and payment of February 25, 2025 List of Bills - Warrant #4 to be voted on at the next scheduled meeting; action taken by following vote:

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

Nays: None.

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

Cicero resident Patricia – Expressed personal concerns with Cermak / Laramie Currency Exchange, Supervisor Robert - (Will follow-up with CPD).

Delia Barajas, 30 year member in Cicero Project “The Immigrant”, requesting the Town of Cicero adopt the “Welcoming Community” ordinance.

Resident Larry Hippert reported having a water issue and thanked Water Superintendent Lido Manetti and his staff for the help that they have provided.

On motion of Trustee Cundari seconded by Trustee Garcia, the board then stood adjourned at 10:16 A.M. to meet on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 10:00 A.M., in the Town Hall, Town of Cicero.

MARIA A. PUNZO-ARIAS, TOWN CLERK