

THE CITY OF FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, April 15, 2026, 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
Fairview Heights City Hall
Fairview Heights, Illinois

Committee Members in attendance – Alderpersons Jimmy Winkeler, Brenda Wagner, Pat Peck (filling in for Mayor Kupsky), Bill Poletti – tele/conference

Committee Members absent – Alderperson Josh Frawley

Other Alderpersons and Elected Officials in attendance – Mayor Mark Kupsky – tele/conference, City Clerk Karen Kaufhold, Alderpersons Barb Brumfield, Jeff Harris, Derrick King

Staff in attendance – City Attorney Andrew Hoerner, Finance Director Gina Rader, IT User Support and Systems Manager Zach Bartley – tele/conference, Police Chief Steve Johnson – tele/conference, Police Captain CJ Beyersdorfer, Public Works Director John Harty

Recorder – Jill Huffman

Alderperson Peck relayed that, at the Mayor's request, she is filling in for him as he had a procedure performed on his knee and unable to attend the meeting in person.

Public Participation

None

Approval of Minutes, March 11, 2026

Motion and second to approve minutes were made by Alderpersons Wagner/Winkeler. Roll call vote: Alderpersons Frawley – absent, Winkeler - yes, Wagner – yes, Peck - yes, Poletti – yes. Motion carried.

Law Enforcement Committee

Alderperson Brenda Wagner, Acting Chairman

STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Chief presented his written report to the elected officials for their review to which there were no questions or comments.

Alderperson Winkeler stated that he attended the Cardinal's baseball game and rode the MetroLink. He commented that a Fairview Heights police officer was at the station engaging with riders. Alderperson Peck stated that on Saturday night she went to the Cardinal's baseball game and at the MetroLink station there was a police officer in the parking lot, a sheriff's deputy

on one of the stands, and security on the MetroLink. She added that she never felt unsafe going to or coming back from the game.

CEO REPORT

Captain Beyersdorfer commented that the addition of Wade Gummersheimer has worked out well in Code Enforcement as there has been follow up with results in a timely fashion. He added that utilizing myGov helps enforcers stay organized.

Aldersperson Brumfield commented she is grateful about zoning and getting the City cleaned up.

Aldersperson King commented on the gift cards recently received by the Police Department to be distributed to those in need and believes this is a good idea. Captain Beyersdorfer stated he doesn't believe any have been handed out as of yet.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

There were no questions or comments regarding Code Enforcement Report.

MUTUAL AID SYSTEM - INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Captain Beyersdorfer presented the resolution of membership in the Illinois Emergency Management Mutual Aid System. He stated the agreement has been brought forth every couple of years four approximately 16 years. Usually, it is around the time when the City is renewing their Emergency Operation Plan with the State of Illinois. This agreement is through the Illinois Emergency Management Association and has not changed in six years.

Aldersperson Peck requested that when this is presented in the City Council packet, the pages are number from 1 to 20. She also questioned if the agreement has had legal review to which Captain Beyersdorfer replied the current agreement has not, but it has been reviewed in the past. Aldersperson Peck stated that on page 17, Revocation of Prior Agreements, the effective date is shown as January 1, 2025 which needs to be changed.

Motion and second to forward a Resolution to City Council with recommendation of approval the Mutual Aid Intergovernmental Service Agreement by Alderspersons Winkeler/Poletti. Roll call vote showed Alderspersons Frawley - absent, Winkeler – yes, Wagner – yes, Peck – yes, Poletti – yes. Motion carried.

RAFFLE ORDINANCE

The Mayor explained that the Raffle Ordinance is part of the City's Codes. The City has received a request to award a larger prize, a car, which value is higher than what is stated in the current Ordinance. He relayed that the current Ordinance states that the maximum prize is \$15,000 and requests the maximum prize be increased to \$100,000. The Mayor stated that the Ordinance needs to be updated and requests Council's support.

Aldersperson Peck stated that on the cover page of the Ordinance the Clerk is requesting that the heading include OF CHAPTER 8 (BUSINESS REGULATIONS – RAFFLES) ...

Motion and second to forward an Ordinance to City Council with recommendation of approval the Raffle Ordinance, as amended, by Alderspersons Poletti/Winkeler. Roll call vote showed

Alderpersons Frawley - absent, Winkeler – yes, Wagner – yes, Peck – yes, Poletti – yes. Motion carried.

Public Works Committee

Alderman Bill Poletti

The Public Works Department received the annual bids on April 8 for materials used to maintain streets utilizing the Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

MFT MATERIAL BID – BITUMINOUS MATERIAL COLD PATCH

The Director stated that Asphalt Sales & Products was low bidder for cold patch at \$115 per ton and he is satisfied with their bid.

Motion and second to forward a Resolution to City Council with recommendation of approval the bid for Bituminous Cold Patch material of \$115.00 per ton by Asphalt Sales & Products by Alderpersons Wagner/Winkeler. Roll call vote showed Alderpersons Frawley - absent, Winkeler – yes, Wagner – yes, Peck – yes, Poletti – yes. Motion carried.

MFT MATERIAL BID – CA-6 AGGREGATE

The Director stated this item is associated with rock. Columbia Quarry was low bidder with \$7.60 per ton which is within the industry standard.

Motion and second to forward a Resolution to City Council with recommendation of approval the bid for CA-6 Aggregate of \$7.60 per ton by Columbia Quarry by Alderpersons Winkeler/Wagner. Roll call vote showed Alderpersons Frawley - absent, Winkeler – yes, Wagner – yes, Peck – yes, Poletti – yes. Motion carried.

MFT MATERIAL BID – PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE

The Director stated that Concrete Supply was low bidder with a price of \$150.00 per cubic yard.

Motion and second to forward a Resolution to City Council with recommendation of approval the bid for Portland Cement Concrete of \$150.00 per cubic yard by Concrete Supply of Illinois by Alderpersons Wagner/Winkeler. Roll call vote showed Alderpersons Frawley - absent, Winkeler – yes, Wagner – yes, Peck – yes, Poletti – yes. Motion carried.

PEARSON DRIVE BID RESULTS/RECOMMENDATION

The Director of Public Works stated that at 3:00 p.m. today, five bids were received for the Pearson Drive project in Ward 2. The bids received were from just over \$600,000 to over \$1,000,000. Mayer Landscaping of Belleville was read as the apparent low bidder with a bid of \$611,930.06. The Director relayed that he is very satisfied with Mayer as they worked on the Market Place corridor and the Sites/Cory project. The Director stated \$700,000 is budgeted in the CIP Home Rule funds for construction, right-of-way acquisition and additional engineering. The Public Works Director recommends Mayer Landscaping for the Pearson Drive project.

Motion and second to forward a Resolution to City Council with recommendation of approval the construction contract with Mayer Landscaping for the amount of \$611,930.06 for the reconstruction of Pearson Drive by Alderpersons Wagner/Winkeler. Roll call vote showed

Alderspersons Frawley - absent, Winkeler – yes, Wagner – yes, Peck – yes, Poletti – yes.
Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT/PROJECT UPDATES

The Director presented his written report to the elected officials for their review to which there were no questions or comments.

The Director relayed that the Bunkum Road bridge project should be complete by the middle of next week.

The Director added that pavement marking should be complete on Lincoln Highway between Barnes & Noble and Joseph Drive.

Aldersperson Wagner questioned if the bike trail will be a separate bridge on Bunkum Road going over I-64 to which the Director replied that he has not seen the plans for this project.

The Director stated that the following projects are in the queue for this summer:

Old Collinsville Road from Lincoln Highway to Ashland, which should start in the next four to six weeks,

the turn lane from Old Collinsville Road to Ashland Avenue is on the current State letting,

the Longacre Drive project is also on the current State letting, and

the reconstruction of Pearson Drive.

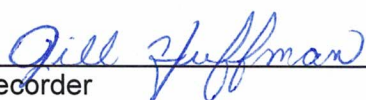
Aldersperson Wagner requested that when these projects are ready, information is posted on social media. She added that when something is coming up or there is a business opening, Economic Development posts information on social media. She added even work on side streets could be posted as it shows residents that activity is happening in the City.

The City Clerk questioned if the Longacre Drive project will affect the Art Fair to which the Director replied that there is isolated patching which needs to be completed, but when the dates of the Fair are known, Public Works will work to make sure there is not a hindrance on attendance. The project is basically patching and then asphalt overlay. He stated it would probably take two to four days to lay the asphalt.

A motion and second was made to adjourn the Operations Meeting by Alderspersons Wagner/Poletti. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Adjournment 7:21 p.m.

Submitted By:


Recorder