

discusses public private partnership and that sort of thing. We hope to get that work done in conjunction with the grant's completion, which is slated for the end of June this year. It's not necessary that we do. We can keep working together on that.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated the potential legislation would be beyond a single project. As you all know, the project area is roughly Route 52 on the north to Route 113 on the south, then Route 47 to I-55 east to west. It's a much bigger area than any one project, and everybody is working together. There is an extensive list of projects. We spent the last couple of meetings prioritizing those that are regional projects and which of them are more municipal-driven, specific to a single municipality. We're working on getting those regional projects to be a priority among the regional group and among this or for this potential legislation. Hopefully, we can move that forward.

Durkin stated there is also a draft report that is being finalized and will be submitted to us. That's something else we'll be considering at the next meeting, which is May 20th at 8:30 a.m. in this room. The list of projects was sent out today to all the members for them to concur with whether it's regional in nature or more specific to a community. Then the draft plan should be forwarded in the next couple of weeks to them for their review, also, so we can get that adopted by the end of June.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated a couple of other things, Trustee McMillan, for you and for everybody in general. I did talk to Kenny Sandino about the Bridge Street bike path last week, and he is hoping to get it done as well. He did promise to clean up the site. I've not been there this weekend, so I don't have any idea what that is. But I did talk to him last week.

Trustee McMillin stated it hasn't been touched in about three weeks.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated I thought somebody said they were out there working.

Trustee McMillin stated they were out after Durkin and I took the tour. There's still about this much stone in the flared end sections going into the storm sewer. They poured the mud mat, which is great. They had traffic control, but it's still an 8-foot, 6-foot minimum drop-off with no jersey barriers. God forbid some young kid, some old man drives off there. They got the barrels, I forget what the term is. They're in plastic barrels with no lights on them. Lights are expensive, and I know D's not got very much money, but they're sitting out over the white line up on the road. If it's raining at night, there's no lighting down there. I've been looking for a new truck; I might put it to the test.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated he said in the next couple of days when I talked to him. Dolezal, did you tell me they were out there working today?

Trustee McMillin stated they weren't out there today.

Dolezal stated they've been out working in April.

Trustee McMillin stated yeah, like two days. I mean, it's a short month. What do we have, 30 days in April. I'm so disappointed with this. We know the contract wasn't awarded by the village. I do remember sitting up here asking for responsible bidder language, getting put into our bidding

documents. The kid that stands out there, from the guy that's watching on behalf of the Village, I don't feel good about them. If you can leave the job site at the end of the day, they poured that mud, right? That brought it up about two and a half to three feet. But to not put jersey barriers or put traffic control out there, that kid, well, who knows? Hopefully, it's not his mom or dad or his cousin or his brother or sister that bites it down there. I just wish that thing would get finished and be done, and just always keep it in our memories. Responsible contractor language. I appreciate Moorman Schumacher and Durkin and everybody that's involved in it, but it's kind of like a personal F you to me at this point. I've never left a job. I've set some personal bests here in the last six months. I've walked off a couple, about three, four jobs. I've never left a job in the condition that project has been in for the last year. I know they employ a ton of people, which is great. Just put some of them on that to finish the project.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated I'm happy to call him back weekly if I need to. I don't know enough about the construction aspect of it to have a very in-depth conversation with him, but I can nag him. I'm good at that.

Trustee McMillin stated you've got him, you've got Durkin and that kid from Strand. I wouldn't get the kid from Strand too involved. He doesn't seem to really know what the hell he's doing. But I do know when, when you start a project, you try to finish it in a timely fashion. This one's just; it's dragging very hard.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated I'm happy to call him back so I can nag well. McMaster, can you give us an update on TVA and whatever that towing business is called now? Because you know it is my personal mission to drive by there every day. I send pictures to Durkin, McMaster, and Cook every day.

McMaster stated yes, last weekend, Durkin and I met with the owners of TVA Logistics about the water pumping into the street. The meeting itself was not productive, but we have a new route we're taking. Dolezal's actually currently working with their group to try to figure out how to get water not to pump out to the street. They have an issue with that detention pond in the front. It's higher than the basement, so the basement floods every time the pond fills up. I've been working with them lately and trying to get a solution to make that all work so that they're not using that ejector pump to throw water into the street.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated the towing business, which I know is not Mighty's anymore.

McMaster stated it's actually AVN Towing, who has just now received their business license to operate at that location. They have not been operating there, but a freight company has been using that lock for their trucks, which was not part of that special use permit. The special use permit is specifically for the towing business. After several letters and tickets to the freight company, I actually went out there last week and spoke to the manager and told him that this was not allowed. We sent a final letter on Friday to address the issue, letting them know that all those vehicles need to be removed so that when AVN does open, they can use that lot for their own business. Hopefully, within the next few days here, those trucks will be out of that lot, and it will all be cleared up. I also made clear to the towing owner that those additionally striped areas were not approved in the site plan. They were not to be used, only the striped parking spaces along the north part of the property or to be used only.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated they're supposed to be out this week. Is that what you told me?

McMaster stated we're hopeful that they'll be out this week. He did tell me he's got another lot in Joliet that they used, which is about five or six times larger. They have turned that into a truck terminal, which is not supposed to be. We have a very good paper trail of what we've done. Now it's just really making sure that we get all the trucks out of there.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated very good, thank you. Durkin and I were in Springfield last week. We will be back down on the 29th for IML lobby day. The big talk is local control. There is a housing bill, and I know we've talked about it before, that takes away our ability to zone appropriately and determine what is built where. When the realtors were down there on Tuesday lobbying for the bill and legislators, local legislators were down there on Wednesday lobbying against it. We had several conversations down there on a better front, the assessment bill. I know we all talked about commercial industrial assessment and kudos to staff here. Petrick did a lot of legwork. Durkin took it to Hugh O'Hara; I took it to the county. Mike Mahoney at the County Executive's Office really picked it up and brought some draft legislation to me. Representative Manley was kind enough to introduce that for us. It sat in the rules committee. Last Thursday I was talking to Representative DeLuca, and he said it was kind of just sitting there in rules committee. Then Thursday night about 9 o'clock I got an email that the revenue chair had signed onto the bill along with Representative Manley. It's been re-referred. Hopefully, we'll get some traction. They are anticipating that we may have to go down and testify in favor of that bill to get commercial industrial properties assessed appropriately. It's an opportunity for genuine property tax relief for residents. So that's the exciting news down there. I know everybody heard about the solar farm court order. Judge Braun ordered that the County Board could not vote against issuing a special use permit. The State's Attorney's Office advised the County Board that they had to vote yes for the special use. Last Thursday's board meeting CC DeBold from Shorewood, they have two of them in Shorewood that the County Board had turned down, like our McKinley Woods Road one that they turned down initially, and we all got sued. The County Board had to hear those. The court order was such that they were told that, essentially, they could not deny the special use permit according to the state law. I don't even have a real issue with the judge's ruling. He was interpreting the state law as poorly written. I did go to make a statement just for the record, thanking the County Board for supporting us in their initial vote when it first came to them, and when they had the option to vote, they did vote against it. Thanking them for their support and just making a statement that ordering a governing body to vote in a specific way is not representative government. That vote was approved, and Silverman filed on behalf of us and Shorewood for an emergency motion for a temporary restraining order. I believe Silverman, if I'm correct, that it was deemed not to be an emergency on Friday. We will go into executive session and talk about our next steps. That's where we are with solar, and I think that's all that I have on my list.

B. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Consider Approval – Hiring of an Assistant Finance Director

Trustee Perinar made a motion to approve the Hiring of an Assistant Finance Director, Angela Brown contingent on background, physical and drug screen. Seconded by Trustee Host.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion – Statistical Monthly Report – March 2026

Durkin stated that the monthly reports are attached if there are questions. We talked about the regional partner meeting. I also want to let the board know that Jessica Wembley from Senator Ventura's office reached out to me about the Briscoe mound property. I've got conversations to have with them about helping us do an IGA regarding the maintenance of that, and we can begin further discussions also on going further with some of the ideas. When I have that set, Trustee McMillin, I'll certainly let you know and I'll also let the board know what's going on with that.

C. ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Discussion – Statistical Monthly Report – March 2026

Petrick stated that the monthly report is attached if there are any questions. In addition to that, just some updates on our staffing. Today Trustee Perinar completed second round of interviews for the Executive Assistant/Deputy Clerk position. Those are being considered at this point and we'll bring a name before the board for that position at the next meeting on May 4th. The second round of interviews will be conducted for the Marketing and Communications Manager later this week and next week. We are also trying to bring a name before the board at the next meeting to fill the position that was vacated by Sydney Thompson.

Durkin stated that if I could just add the next meeting, I will not be in attendance. I will be on vacation. Petrick will be handling everything that comes my heading.

D. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Consider Approval – Final Plat of Subdivision for Mallard Senior Apartments

Trustee Scaggs made a motion to approve the Final Plat of Subdivision for Mallard Senior Apartments. Seconded by Trustee Slocum.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Trustee McMillin asked if we got any headway on the Quik Trip tree issue?

McMaster stated that they submitted a tree survey for which they paid the fees according to our ordinance.

Consider Approval – An Ordinance Adopting the Official Zoning Map for the Village of Channahon – 1st Read

Trustee Perinar made a motion to waive second read and approve An Ordinance Adopting the Official Zoning Map for the Village of Channahon. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion – Statistical Monthly Report – March 2026

McMaster stated that the monthly report is attached if there are any questions. I sent out an email last Friday regarding the Community Development updates because we have so many projects going on right now. I thought it would be easier to send a memo rather than outline a half an hour

worth of Community Development updates. If you haven't gotten that or didn't read your email, let me know. I'll make sure that you get it. Also, wanted to update you on some of the code enforcement things that we did last week. I took the building department, including Cook, out on a tour of the village last week and identified some problem areas that we are going to address and put on the priority list. Riverside Drive is a big one, Northern Illinois, Municipal, and then some of the areas in Channahon proper we're going to try to address pretty quickly here. If there are any other items that you guys might think are of immediate need, let me know. I'll make sure that we're taking care of them quickly.

E. FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Consider Approval – An Ordinance Adopting the Village of Channahon Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 - 2027 (May 1, 2026 - April 30, 2027 – 2nd Read

Wagonblott stated the final budget draft was in the packet as well as the final budget ordinance, which, just for the record, general fund revenues budget totals \$47,602,250. General fund expenses are budgeted at \$28,535,935. Our utility fund revenues are budgeted at \$55,893,390, and the utility fund expenses are budgeted at \$26,367,740. The general fund, utility fund, and the miscellaneous special revenue and capital project funds come to a grand total of revenues of \$125,396,263 and total expenses of \$76,061,443. And just as a reminder, within the fiscal 2027 budget is the issuance of bonds. So that's a very good chunk of the budgeted revenues as well as a portion of the budgeted expenses for the capital project funds.

Trustee Perinar made a motion to approve An Ordinance Adopting the Village of Channahon Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 - 2027 (May 1, 2026 - April 30, 2027. Seconded by Trustee Slocum.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.
NAYS: NONE **MOTION CARRIED**

Consider Approval – Approval to Appoint Sikich, LLP, as the CPA Audit Firm for the Village's upcoming April 30, 2026 Audit

Trustee Scaggs made a motion to approve Appointing Sikich, LLP, as the CPA Audit Firm for the Village's upcoming April 30, 2026 Audit. Seconded by Trustee Host.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.
NAYS: NONE **MOTION CARRIED**

Discussion – Statistical Monthly Report – March 2026

Discussion – Monthly Treasurer's Report – March 2026

Wagonblott stated that the monthly reports were attached if there were any questions.

F. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Discussion – Statistical Monthly Report – March 2026

Bogart stated that the monthly report is attached if there are any questions. I also want to give the board an update on Kratom, a speaker was in here last meeting. We conducted an inventory of businesses selling it throughout Channahon. We identified five total. In conversations with those business owners, there were none of them that expressed any concern over the loss in revenue

from the sales that they generate from Kratom. I guess I'm looking for some more direction when it comes to any ordinance. Are we looking for a total ban? Are we looking for options within that? What is the board's desire in that regard?

Trustee Perinar asked Bogart for his thoughts.

Bogart stated I understand that we've had an overdose, and that is kind of a shocking thing. That is one of 200 since 2015 nationwide. None of that is acceptable by any means. It's not the level of the opioid epidemic or anything like that. There are plenty of other villages in the surrounding areas that have gone to a total ban, none of which have been met with any sort of negative backlash or anything. We are protecting the residents from a substance that is not regulated. The Illinois legislature has not come to any sort of conclusive plan to address, despite bills being introduced even in the current session. A ban would be just fine by my take.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated it would probably be easier to enforce than having any gray area.

Bogart stated absolutely. When you get talking about particular substances and all that, identifying the levels, I'm not quite sure that we have the testing capability to submit that to a lab or if there are labs available to conduct that type of testing.

Trustee Perinar stated that's for the addiction that she was talking about too.

Bogart stated right, she did cite that. Her personal experience.

Board Direction was to proceed with a ban of Kratom.

G. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Consider Approval – Approval of Strand Associates' Proposal for the Recertification of the Village of Channahon's RRA, Cybersecurity Assessment and ERP

Consider Approval – Three-Year Proposal for Leak Detection Survey Services

Consider Approval – An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Personal Property Owned by the Village of Channahon – 1st Read

Consider Approval – Enter into a License Agreement and Intergovernmental Agreement between the Forest Preserve District of Will County and Village of Channahon for a Multi-Use Path along McKinley Woods Road

Consider Approval – Purchase of Replacement Hustler Super Z Mowers

Trustee Perinar made a motion to approve the Strand Associates' Proposal for the Recertification of the Village of Channahon's RRA, Cybersecurity Assessment and ERP, Three-Year Proposal for Leak Detection Survey Services, waive second read and approve An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Personal Property Owned by the Village of Channahon, Enter into a License Agreement and Intergovernmental Agreement between the Forest Preserve District of Will County and Village of Channahon for a Multi-Use Path along McKinley Woods Road and Purchase of Replacement Hustler Super Z Mowers. Seconded by Trustee Scaggs.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion – Statistical Monthly Report – March 2026

Dolezal stated that the monthly report is attached if there are any questions.

H. VILLAGE ATTORNEY

Village Attorney David Silverman stated he had no report.

LIAISON REPORTS

Trustee Sam Greco and Trustee Patricia Perinar – Finance/Human Resources

Trustee Greco stated just congratulations to Wagonblott and her crew.

Trustee Scott Slocum and Trustee Scott McMillin – Community Development

Trustee Slocum stated McMaster mentioned them in his email that he sent out on Friday. But there's going to be some delays for Q Bar. They've run into a snag so they're not going to be opening anytime soon. Bill Slavik did buy Cherry Bomb and is working with a couple of people to maybe make a restaurant which is good. He's going to try to make the plan commission for the Tasty Bite. We talked a little bit about that. Professional salon concepts in the Martin Whelan building. They're moving along very, very quickly. A lot of things are happening. But read that email. There's a lot more.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated Bogart, up on the Frontage Road that little industrial place? There's been some lights on inside and things in the truck and the trailer parked in there.

McMaster stated we're working with him. He's starting to tear up some things out there. He's tearing up a concrete bed that was never authorized. There are some other issues that he's finalizing too, that still need to get done. He keeps coming back to us for an inspection, but every time he comes back, we have to tell him, well, we're still missing these items.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated let's just make sure he is not operating out there again.

McMaster stated he is trying to sell the property. We met with the buyer about a month ago. I don't know if that buyer walked away. He's no longer communicating on the emails that we've been going back and forth on. So I'm not sure he is any position to sell that property quite yet.

Trustee Mark Scaggs and Trustee Chantal Host – Public Works and Facility

Trustee Scaggs stated IDOT has been down on I-55 picking up trash on a Saturday. They've been doing that on Saturdays. They must be paying overtime but they're getting that cleaned up, south of Bluff Road, all the guardrails, they were even in between the cable-type guardrails. The post they were out there with weed whackers and they got it all cleaned up and it's looks pretty good.

Trustee Sam Greco and Trustee Mark Scaggs – Community & Legislative Affairs

Trustee Chantal Host and Trustee Patricia Perinar – Public Safety/Emergency Support

Trustee Perinar stated this Saturday April 25th the Channahon Citizens Police Academy Alumni association for sponsoring a drug take back day. The event will run from 10am to 2pm in the PD parking lot. If anyone is interested in disposing of their unused prescription or over-the-counter medications properly. This event is being called in operation of the DEA national take back day. Last week the police department received a \$5,000 BNSF grant to further develop and sustain the department's drone program. Sergeant McClellan, the drone program coordinator, applied for this

grant in late 2025. These funds will be vital during the drone highway public safety mission. The other thing is I did go to Great American Bagel today, and it was delicious. Thank you to Wagonblott for everything she's done in her department. McMaster, thank you for the email. I really appreciate it. Great idea taking the guys on that tour.

McMaster stated I think that's probably something we'll do regularly, maybe on a quarterly basis. Just make sure that we're not missing anything throughout the village that needs to be addressed. Even the emails I'll start sending them a little more regularly. I did want to say something about professional salon concepts; that's a big build-out. They're at the installation in the drywall stage, which is nice. We're going to try to get in there at some point, just do a walk through to see the progress they've made. I was in there before the build-out started, so I'd like to see how far they've come because it's exciting to have that 25,000 sq. ft. off the books.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated it's been a long time coming.

Trustee Host stated piggybacking on what he said with that salon concepts, they really may be a strong partner within the community too. It's always wonderful when you hear not only are they putting such an investment, but it's also related to our community. That'll be wonderful. I always enjoy seeing that.

Trustee Scott McMillin and Trustee Scott Slocum – Natural Resources and Open Spaces

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline and Performance of an Employee of the Village of Channahon**
- **Probable or Imminent Litigation and Pending Litigation**

VP Moorman Schumacher stated we do have executive session for appointment employment of employment, which won't be necessary tonight, but also probable or imminent litigation and pending litigation at this time we would entertain a motion to go into executive session.

Trustee Scaggs made a motion to open Executive Session at 6:56 p.m. for Probable or Imminent Litigation and Pending Litigation. Seconded by Trustee Perinar.

ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Greco, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Perinar made a motion to close Executive Session at 7:14 p.m. for Probable or Imminent Litigation and Pending Litigation. Seconded by Trustee Slocum.

ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Greco, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Perinar made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Slocum.

VERBAL ROLL CALL: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED

Submitted by
Kristin Hall
Village Clerk

