

March 2, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Deerfield was reconvened on March 2, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. at Deerfield Village Hall. The clerk called the roll and announced that the following were

Present: Dan Shapiro, Mayor  
Robert Benton  
Larry Berg  
Jesse Greenberg  
Mary Oppenheim

Absent: Jennifer Goldstone  
Elaine Jacoby

and that a quorum was present and in attendance. Also present were Village Manager Kent Street and Benjamin Schuster, Village Attorney.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Shapiro led in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

DOCUMENT APPROVAL

Trustee Oppenheim moved to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2026, Board of Trustees meeting. Trustee Berg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Trustee Oppenheim moved to approve the bills and payroll dated March 2, 2026. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Berg, Greenberg, Oppenheim (4)

NAYS: None (0)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Derek Ragona spoke about feral cats as he received a violation due to feeding feral cats. He stated that feral cat colonies are covered by Illinois law stating that people are caretakers are not owners. He discussed the Illinois law and suggested the Village update their Ordinance. Mr. Ragona recommended putting an article in D-Tails about feral cats.

Susan Davis, State licensed humane investigator, reported she was involved in another Lake County case. The Lake County Ordinance, which is similar to the Village Ordinance, was deemed unconstitutional and went against the State of Illinois Wildlife Act. Mayor Shapiro noted the Village will look into it.

Gina Rezner, President for Spay and Stay, explained a feral cat is an unowned cat that typically stays away from humans. Spay and Stay provides education on trap-neuter-return, the most

effective method of controlling feral cats. It is important to note the cat overpopulation was caused by people, not cats.

Mr. Street noted there was a violation issued. He suggested postponing the hearing until after this is evaluated. Ms. Davis suggested feeding the cats only in the morning and not keeping food out in the evening. Mr. Ragona noted they do not try to feed anything but the cats.

### REPORTS

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON  
THE PLAN COMMISSION  
RECOMMENATION FOR APPROVAL  
OF THE 2026 ZONING MAP

The Plan Commission held a Workshop Meeting on February 12, 2026, to consider the 2026 Zoning map. This year, the Zoning map shows the rezoning of 5 and 8 Parkway North from I-1 Office Research Restricted Industrial District to R-5

General Residential. The Plan Commission voted 5-0 in favor of approval.

Trustee Benton moved to adopt the report and recommendation of the Plan Commission and approve the 2026 Zoning map.. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Berg, Greenberg, Oppenheim (4)

NAYS: None (0)

### CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items on the Consent Agenda.

### OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

### NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION R-26-20 TO ENTER  
INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
AGREEMENT WITH UNION  
DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1

Bob Phillips, Director of Public Works and Engineering, reported the Village entered into an IGA with Union Drainage District No. 1 in April of 1993. The IGA outlines the responsibility of each party that has an interest in the maintenance and

operation of the reservoir that lies between Lake Eleanor and Duffy Lane in Bannockburn (Reservoir #27).

As part of the agreement, the Village of Deerfield WRF Division maintains the property, the pumping station and pumping infrastructure, the spillway and overflow structure. The Union Drainage District No. 1 reimburses the Village for labor and material costs incurred as part of routine maintenance. Mr. Phillips noted this is a five-year agreement.

Trustee Berg moved to adopt the Resolution to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Union Drainage District number 1. Trustee Greenberg seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Berg, Greenberg, Oppenheim (4)

NAYS: None (0)

**RESOLUTION R-26-21 TO AWARD THE** Tyler Dickinson, Assistant Director of Public  
**CONTRACT FOR THE 2026 STREET** Works and Engineering, reported the 2026 Street  
**REHABILITATION PROJECT** Rehabilitation Project included eight streets.

The scope of work includes water services and storm sewer replacements, pavement resurfacing and reconstruction, curb and gutter replacement, sidewalk replacement, adjustment of structures and parkway restoration.

The 2026 Street Rehabilitation Project will be funded through \$800,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds and \$2.3M from the Village's Infrastructure Replacement Fund.

In total, including the annual sidewalk replacement program of \$75,000, the project is budgeted at \$3,175,000 in fiscal year 2026. In order to more closely align with the budgeted amount, staff recommends reducing the project scope by removing the Birchwood Ave., Robbie Ct., and Wayne Ave. locations. Removal of these locations reduces the total value of the project to \$3,192,188

Trustee Benton moved to adopt the Resolution awarding the contract for the 2026 street rehabilitation project to Schroeder Asphalt Services in the amount of \$3,192,188. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Berg, Greenberg, Oppenheim (4)

NAYS: None (0)

**RESOLUTION R-26-22 TO APPROVE** Mr. Dickinson reported in early 2019, the Village  
**AGREEMENT FOR PHASE II** awarded Ciorba Group the Phase II contract to  
**ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE** design plans and specifications for the Arbor Vitae  
**ARBOR VITAE & APPLETREE LANE** Road and Appletree Lane infrastructure  
**PROJECT** improvement project. The project was originally  
scheduled for construction during the 2020

construction season but has been delayed for a variety of reasons. Under the recently approved two-year Capital Improvement Program for fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027, final design is programmed for completion in 2026, with construction anticipated in 2027.

To date, Ciorba has completed a 60% plan set. The consultant will need to continue design work through 2026 to finalize the plan documents and reapply for all required permits, as previously approved permits have expired. Ciorba has submitted a proposal in the amount of \$84,650 to complete the work.

Mr. Dickinson discussed the meaning of Phase I, Phase II and Phase III projects. Phase II is the design, including what will go where and Phase III is the construction oversight.

Trustee Oppenheim moved to adopt the Resolution approving an agreement for Phase II engineering services for the Arbor Vitae and Appletree Lane project with Ciorba Group in an amount not to exceed \$84,650. Trustee Benton seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Berg, Greenberg, Oppenheim (4)

NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION R-26-23 IN SUPPORT OF THE ILLINOIS AMERICA250 COMMEMORATION Management Analyst Jessica Sciarretta noted July 4<sup>th</sup> is the 250<sup>th</sup> celebration of the United States. The Village put together a committee including the Deerfield-Bannockburn Fire

Protection District, Deerfield Park District, Deerfield School District 109, Township High School District 113, Deerfield Public Library, Deerfield Rotary Club, Deerfield Optimist Club, Deerfield Area Historical Society, Deerfield Lions Club, and West Deerfield Township. These organizations will share messaging, resources and Deerfield's unique history. There will also be a time capsule buried at Village Hall and veteran banners. There are currently 56 banners, but 72 veterans will be honored. This builds on the Field of Honor from 2025. Mr. Street thanked staff and the other agencies involved.

Trustee Benton moved to adopt the Resolution supporting the Illinois America250 commemoration. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Berg, Greenberg, Oppenheim (4)

NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION R-26-24 AWARDED PURCHASE OF ENTERPRISE FORMS SOFTWARE Matthew Weiss, Director of IT, reported the Finance Department wants to implement Enterprise Forms, an add-on integrated software component to the Village's existing ERP software from Tyler

Technologies, Inc. to modernize processes and improve efficiency.

Cost to acquire and implement Enterprise Forms, a planned and budgeted project for 2026, is quoted at \$55,388.00 from Tyler Technologies, Inc., the single-source provider for this software. The Village's existing software to print paper checks is no longer being supported and can be improved by the use of this tool. It can also print tax documents, final water bills and other

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documents as well as electronic remittance notifications. It will be a big time saver for finance staff.

Trustee Greenberg moved to waive the competitive bidding and adopt the Resolution awarding the purchase of enterprise forms software from Tyler Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$55,358. Trustee Oppenheim seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Berg, Greenberg, Oppenheim, Shapiro (5)

NAYS: None (0)

#### DISCUSSION

#### CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Berg moved to enter into Closed Session Pursuant to ILCS 120/2 Sections 2(c)(11) and

2(c)(21). Trustee seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Benton, Berg, Greenberg, Oppenheim (4)

NAYS: None (0)

The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 8:17 pm.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, Trustee Benton moved to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Berg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

The next regular Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, March 16, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

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ATTEST:

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Village Clerk