Village of Maple Park
302 Willow Street ♦ P.O. Box 220 ♦ Maple Park, Illinois 60151

Village Hall: 815-827-3309
Website: http://www.villageofmaplepark.org

Approved by the Village Board of Trustees on November 02, 2026

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2026
MAPLE PARK CIVIC CENTER
302 WILLOW STREET, MAPLE PARK
7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Village President Chris Rebone called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Rebone led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL/QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Village Clerk Maria Taylor called the roll call, and the following Board Members were present: Village President Chris Rebone, Trustee Andy Bingley, Trustee Tonia Groezinger, Trustee JT Peloso, Trustee Cliff Speare and Trustee Jen Ward. Trustee Chris Simon was absent.

Also present: Village Administrator Cheryl Aldridge and Village Clerk Maria Taylor.

Members of the public present were found on the meetings sign-in sheet.

President Rebone confirmed a quorum was established.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

– *Any resident wishing to address the Board may do so according to the guidelines set forth in the "Rules for Public Comments at Public Meetings" handout. Please complete a speaker request form and submit it to the Village Clerk. You may also send an e-mail to villageclerk@villageofmaplepark.com in advance of the meeting. The Village Clerk will read such comments during the Public Comment portion of the meeting. Time Limit: 5 minutes per speaker.*

None

5. DISCUSSION OF E-BIKES & SCOOTERS

Commander Olsen started the discussion about safety concerns involving electric bikes, scooters, and other electric devices ahead of the state law changes taking effect January 1. He explained that the main concern is keeping kids, pedestrians, drivers, and others safe from reckless riding, excessive speeds, and failure to stop at intersections and crosswalks.

He reviewed how the new state laws vary depending on the type of device, the operator's age, speed, and motor power, as well as licensing, registration, and insurance requirements. He also noted that state citations can carry serious penalties, especially for minors.

The Board discussed creating a village ordinance that would give police more options for handling violations while focusing on education and safety. A proposed fine schedule of $25 for the first offense, $50 for the second, $75 for the third, and $100 for subsequent offenses was discussed. Officers would have discretion to issue warnings when appropriate and contact parents or guardians when minors are involved.

Trustee Speare suggested holding a town hall meeting to educate residents, parents, and kids about the new laws. Other ideas included posting information at village buildings and sharing updates on social media. The Police Department will also prepare guidance for officers on how to handle violations consistently.

The village agreed to have proposed language prepared for future consideration, possibly at the December meeting. The ordinance, fines, and legal requirements will need further review before adoption. The goal is to keep everyone safe while taking a fair and reasonable approach to enforcement.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

None

7. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business before the Board, motion was made by Trustee Groezinger with 2nd by Trustee Peloso to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maria Taylor

Maria Taylor, Village Clerk

MAPLE PARK INCORPORATED 1865 ILLINOIS