

Village of Hoffman Estates

**TRANSPORTATION & ROAD IMPROVEMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

July 7, 2025

1. ROLL CALL

Members in Attendance:

**Karen Arnet, Chair
Patrick Kinnane, Vice Chair
Gary Stanton, Trustee
Karen Mills, Trustee
Anna Newell, Trustee
Gary Pilafas, Trustee
Mayor William D. McLeod**

**Management Team Members
in Attendance:**

**Eric Palm, Village Manager
Arthur Janura, Corporation Counsel
Dan O'Malley, Deputy Village Manager
Jon Pape, Assistant Village Manager
Patrick Seger, Director of HRM
Pete Gugliotta, Dir. Dev. Services
Kasia Cawley, Police Chief
Alan Wax, Fire Chief
Audra Marks, Asst. Director of HHS
Joe Nebel, Public Works Director
Rachel Musiala, Director of Finance
Darek Raszka, Director of IS
Jana Dickson, Asst. Corporation Counsel
Patty Richter, Village Clerk
Jenny Horn, Dir. of Transportation and Eng.
Missy Brito, Communications Manager
Ric Signorella, Cable TV Coordinator**

Guests:

Mr. Kim, resident

The Transportation & Road Improvement Committee meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Stanton, seconded by Trustee Kinnane, to approve the Transportation & Road Improvement Committee meeting minutes of June 9, 2025. Voice vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Kim, resident at 4891 Thornbark, addressed the Committee and spoke about safety issues with e-bikes and scooters. He asked that the Village increase public safety as it relates to these bikes and follow communities such as Hinsdale with regulations against them

4. OLD BUSINESS**5. NEW BUSINESS****A. Approval of an ordinance amending Section 6-2-1HE-11-1314, Electric Bikes and Electric Scooters.**

An item summary sheet from Police Chief Cawley and Jennifer Horn was presented to Committee.

Chief Cawley addressed the Committee and provided definitions of both e-bikes and e-scooters. Our Village Municipal Code prohibits all motorized pedal cycles and electric scooters from being operated on any public or private street, sidewalk, parking lot, bike path or public park. The Village of Schaumburg recently passed an ordinance allowing certain low-speed e-bikes and e-scooters in designated areas and since our transportation networks intersect, staff recommends some regulations for low-speed e-bikes and e-scooters depending on the Class and state law. The Police Department would utilize its best efforts to enforce the regulations and would make the community aware of the regulations. A compliance citation which carries a \$50 fine could be used for enforcement.

Trustee Kinnane expressed his concern that this is an unfunded mandate and officers could be tied up enforcing this ordinance when time could be better spent elsewhere. Trustee Stanton asked what the rationale is for prohibiting low-speed scooters while allowing other scooters over 10mph and is against passage of this ordinance at this time. Trustee Pilafas said that a \$50 fine is not nearly enough and at least \$1,000 fine would catch the attention of users. There was discussion of tort immunity.

Motion by Trustee Mills, seconded by Trustee Kinnane, to defer this item to the August meeting for further discussion and requested staff provide survey information on other communities' ordinances. Voice vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

6. REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)**A. Transportation Division Monthly Report.**

The Transportation Division Monthly Report was received and filed.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**8. ITEMS IN REVIEW****9. OTHER****10. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Trustee Stanton, seconded by Trustee Kinnane, to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Voice vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by: