# MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES VILLAGE OF WAYNE CITY, ILLINOIS SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

### CALL TO ORDER

President Hedden called the regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m.

## PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Prayer was given by Steve Griswold and then President Hedden led the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

# ROLL CALL

President Rocky Hedden: Present Clerk Staci Choate: Present

# Trustees:

Gary Cline: Absent Steve Buxton: Present
Jarod Peyton: Absent Tim Piper: Present
Josh Greene: Present Roger Noe: Present

Also present at the meeting were Worker Kris Shreve, Worker Jasen Tubbs, Worker Austin Schuster, Worker Matt Fields, Police Chief Jason Settle, Sue Meyers, Steve Griswold, Bill Smith, and Beth Greene.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Regarding the Past Due Report, customer #0030757000 water had been shut off. Trustee Noe made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda and Trustee Piper seconded the motion.

Ayes 4: Buxton, Piper, Noe, Greene. Approved.

Absent 2: Cline, Peyton.

In Old Business, regarding Ordinance #628, the Camping Ordinance, the board was waiting on a few questions from the attorney. This was tabled until next month's meeting.

Trustee Buxton made a motion to adopt Ordinance #360-B, an Ordinance Amending Ordinances #360 & #360-A Being an Ordinance Regulating Solicitors for the Village of Wayne City. Trustee Piper seconded the motion.

Ayes 4:

Piper, Noe, Greene, Buxton.

Approved.

Absent 2:

Cline, Peyton.

Trustee Piper made a motion to adopt Ordinance #629, Tax Levy Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2025 and Ending April 30, 2026 for Wayne City Ambulance Service. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion.

Ayes 4:

Noe, Greene, Buxton, Piper.

Approved.

Absent 2:

Cline, Peyton.

The board discussed the quote for the Scada System for the Village of Sims. The quote was from WD Automation for \$7,350. Worker Kris Shreve is meeting with the Village of Sims soon to discuss this. The board decided to have Shreve find out what they could afford in a monthly payment. Then the board would need a signed agreement. This was tabled until next month's meeting.

The board discussed the quote to upgrade the gas odorizer. The quote was from USDI for \$143,850.75. Worker Jasen Tubbs told the board that the current one was put in in the 1960's and it had been suggested by USDI that it be upgraded. Tubbs also stated that this odorizer would have a flow meter. Tubbs also gave the board a quote for an enclosure for the new odorizer. The quote was from Sledge Construction for \$6,472. The board discussed that the odorizer quote would be over the budget but Tubbs explained that USDI is okay with this being paid for in two different fiscal years. Also discussed was the maintenance of the odorizer. This would be done every 2 to 3 years or even longer depending on the usage and the cost estimate would be \$2 to \$3,000. Trustee Piper made a motion to accept the quote from USDI for \$143,850.75 for the Gas Odorizer. Trustee Noe seconded the motion. The board decided to wait until after the odorizer was installed before voting on the enclosure.

Ayes 4:

Greene, Buxton, Piper, Noe.

Approved.

Absent 2:

Cline, Peyton.

President Hedden told the board that he had been asked by Jered White if he could put up breakaway basketball rims at the park courts. White said he would pay for them and put them up. White explained that they would last longer. Hedden suggested that the board pay for them. Trustee Piper made a motion to purchase breakaway rims for the basketball court at the park for up to \$500. Trustee Greene seconded the motion.

Aves 4: Buxton, Piper, Noe, Greene.

Absent 2: Cline, Peyton.

Approved.

Trustee Noe asked the board about moving forward on taking over the sewer for the Village of Keenes. He told the board that we are still not sure of the amounts but Keenes has an RD loan for under \$10,000 and they also have some money in their sewer accounts. Noe told the board that we would need to do a rate study but the sewer rates in Keenes would probably have to be raised. It was mentioned that they only have one lift station but that it was very old and that the manholes would need to be raised. The benefit for Wayne City is that it would be more income for the village and the village could control what comes in the sewer lagoon. Noe told the board we still were not sure how this would have to be done, either by a board or on the ballot. Noe suggested if we wanted to move forward that we would get more definite numbers. The board decided to move forward.

Trustee Buxton made a motion to adopt Resolution #2025-9-1, a Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code and Trustee Piper seconded the motion.

Ayes 4: Piper, Noe, Greene, Buxton.

Approved.

Absent 2: Cline, Peyton.

Trustee Piper told the board that our renters at the village hall were wanting to put up a sign; either a stand up sign or a sign on the building. It was decided that a sign on the building could be allowed.

# DISCUSSION ITEMS

# **Public Comments:**

Bill Smith told the board that the liquor store had put another sign between the sidewalk and the road. Police Chief Jason Settle will check on this.

# **Employee Reports:**

Clerk Choate told the board that the cameras had been installed at the village hall and the shop building, and that our insurance had paid for the village hall cameras less the \$500 deductible. The two cameras at the water plant would be put up soon.

Worker Tubbs told the board that there had been a gas leak by Vickie Brashear's property. Tubbs said it was the relief valve.

Tubbs also mentioned that the village usually rents a broom for Bean Days and when the roads are worked on. He told the board that they would start the road work the week after Bean Days tentatively.

Chief Jason Settle told the board that the squad car had been lettered. He also mentioned that the taser and body camera had come in and he was getting them set up.

Worker Shreve told the board that the water plant had hosted the Wayne City Ag Class for a couple of mornings.

Shreve also told the board that Western Wayne had stopped purchasing water from the village on August 12 due to a water leak. Shreve mentioned there were some things that their board wanted completed by their workers before they could start buying water from the village again and these things have not been completed.

Shreve also mentioned that there was an algae problem with the water again but it had not been as severe as it might have been if we had not purchased the ultrasonic equipment last year.

# **Trustee Reports:**

President Hedden informed the board that the railroad would be doing repairs on the main crossing from September 15 to 19 and the road would be closed and a detour in place.

Trustee Piper recommended the village renew their contract with Unifirst. He said it was a three year contract and they would only be coming once a month and the contract was cheaper than it had been. The new monthly fee will be \$82.15. It was decided if the janitor was okay with Unifirst only coming once a month then President Hedden could sign the contract.

Trustee Noe made a motion to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. and Trustee Piper seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.

President Rocky Hedden

Clerk Staci Choa

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