

## **VILLAGE OF ANDALUSIA**

Village Hall  
221 First Street  
Andalusia, Il. 61232

### **MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANDALUSIA ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**April 17, 2023**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Trustees met in a public meeting on Monday April 17, 2023 at the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by President Andrew Pittard at 7:00 pm. He led the pledge to the flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: President Andrew Pittard, Trustee Finley, Trustee Morrow, Trustee Brackney, Trustee Melody

Absent: Trustee Koopman, Trustee Schmidtke

**TRUSTEE MORROW MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE  
APRIL 3, 2023 BOARD MEETING. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY. VOICE VOTE.**

**AYE:** Trustee Finley, Trustee Morrow, Trustee Brackney, Trustee Melody

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED: 4-0 (2 ABSENT)**

**TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS FOR APRIL 17,  
2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,737.03. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE FINLEY. VOICE  
VOTE.**

**AYE:** Trustee Finley, Trustee Morrow, Trustee Brackney, Trustee Melody

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED: 4-0 (2 ABSENT)**

GENERAL FUND	\$	5,835.30
MFT FUND	\$	25,878.28
POLICE DEPT FUND	\$	181.03
HARBOR FUND	\$	2,640.00
COMMUNITY CENTER PARK FUND	\$	169.64
VILLAGE PARK FUND	\$	794.12

**The TIF Committee met at 6:30 pm at the Village Hall.**

Members present were as follows:

Village President Andrew Pittard and Trustees Ron Finley, Alex Melody and Curt Morrow.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss giving TIF funds (1<sup>st</sup> Street & 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue) to Kevin Slayden to help offset the cost of tearing down the former Little Store building. After some discussion, the trustees all agreed to give Kevin Slayden \$7,800.00 in one lump sum, payable at the May 1, 2023 board meeting.

Trustee Melody made a motion, seconded by Trustee Finley that we adjourn the meeting at 6:34 pm. Motion carried.

Chase Schwigen was present to discuss the property he just purchased on bank road (8<sup>th</sup> Street East). Schwigen, LLC purchased 60 +/- acres and would like to have it sub-divided into 5 separate lots.

The Village Planning Commission will meet and discuss the changes to be made. Clerk Hoffman will set up the meeting after Mayor Pittard appoints the new committee. There also may be a zoning change on one or more of the lots.

Justin and Mayor Pittard both agree that a portion of the land would be a good place for a park, nature trail or both.

Justin and Mayor Pittard have been working towards purchasing a plot of land to put a park on that side of town. The property they're interested in already has a curb stop there, thanks To Max "Crud" Stark.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Streets & Alleys:** Trustee Morrow reported that the Fancy Creek Road Rehab Phase 2 is virtually complete.

**Finance & Audit:** Trustee Brackney asked the Trustees to think of the projects that they would like to see in the appropriations ordinance. He explained that we only have a couple

weeks of leeway since the ordinance needs to be voted on at 3 different meetings. Plus, the Appropriations Ordinance must be in place before the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, July 31, 2023.

**Buildings & Grounds:** Trustee Brackney said that the Village grounds looks good. He was wondering about the seeding on bank road (8<sup>th</sup> Street East). Justin spoke with the contractor; they said the grass should be coming up in about 2 weeks.

**Harbor:** Trustee Melody reported that the sub-lease for Harbor operation by Superior South has been signed. It is a 2-year lease.

Mayor Pittard asked the Trustees if they are still in agreement that he be able to execute this lease for the Village of Andalusia, the official vote was taken at a previous meeting. The Trustees unanimously agreed to allow the original motion to stand.

**Park & recreation:** Justin reported that he put in a volley ball court and the pickle ball courts are up and running. People are using the new equipment. Mayor Pittard gave Justin compliment for the idea.

**Police:** Nothing to Report.

#### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

**Village Clerk:** Clerk Hoffman reported that she thought the MFT Audit was finished, however the state called this morning and informed her that it is not closed. Clerk Hoffman has confidence that it is just about concluded. There are a few documents they need for the current fiscal year.

Clerk Hoffman contacted Rock Island County about the election results since this meeting is the last full meeting with the current Trustees and we still haven't gotten the official results. Rock Island County Informed Clerk Hoffman that the official results will be available after April 21, 2023. Once the results are made official the names will be announced.

**Public Works Director:** Justin started the drainage work in Fancy Creek today.

Justin reported that a couple of kids damaged the volley ball net that was recently installed. He has the names of the children involved. Justin stated that he would like an apology letter from the children involved. Justin has since repaired the net.

The road work in Fancy Creek is now complete. Justin said that there were a few issues to begin with, however everything is now complete.

Illinois American Water has patched the line breaks from the winter.

Justin reported that the docks are now re-done. Justin also stated that Doug Harper donated the decking on our dock.

Justin reported that the snow melt up north should crest by the end of the month to the 1<sup>st</sup> part of May. He said that the river is pushing the 17.5 – 18-foot mark. He will most likely close the flood gates tomorrow. Justin said that we're ready for the flood.

Justin will be meeting with the insurance adjuster about the storm damage to the Village buildings. Barry Reuther (3-B's Roofing) will be our contractor on these projects. There is some damage on all our buildings with the Community Center and Police Station having the most hail damage.

**Mayor:** Mayor Pittard reported that he will be meeting with Bi-State on Friday to discuss applying for the BAAD Grant we've been trying to apply for, for a couple of years now. It pertains to the Harbor. We will need to have an engineer involved as a requirement of the grant. Mayor Pittard should have more information at the next meeting.

Mayor Pittard will be attending a meeting with the Rock Island County Waste Management tomorrow. The subject of tomorrow's meeting has to do with a transfer station that LSR (Lakeshore Recycling) has proposed.

Mayor Pittard also spoke with LSR to discuss our current garbage contract. Any negotiations will be announced if and when that happens.

**Resident's comments:** Marty Yakovich commended Justin and crew on their quick storm cleanup.

Bill Campbell asked the Board if they would have a problem with residents getting together an e-waste day. The board doesn't have a problem with it; however, the last e-waste day was a long hard day for the Village workers and 2 volunteers. It will only happen if the residents arrange it and work it.

Resident Niki Stoneking wrote a letter to the Village Board thanking the Village and Justin and crew for the great job they did cleaning up the tree that fell across the road at her house. She thanked them for making our community beautiful and safe and that she views our community as one big family.

Thank-you Niki for the wonderful letter.

**TRUSTEE BRACKNEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:55 PM.**

Minutes written by:

Shelly Hoffman, Village Clerk