

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**

**November 20, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Trustees met in a public meeting on Monday November 20, 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 Brackney, Trustee Kelly, Trustee Morrow, Trustee Melody

Absent: Trustee Kensinger

**TRUSTEE FINLEY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE  
NOVEMBER 6, 2023 BOARD MEETING. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY. VOICE  
VOTE.**

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

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED:** 5-0 (1 absent)

**TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS FOR NOVEMBER  
20, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$56,742.19. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE FINLEY.  
VOICE VOTE.**

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

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED:** 5-0 (1 absent)

GENERAL FUND	\$	48,018.94
POLICE DEPT FUND	\$	87.88
HARBOR FUND	\$	170.40
COMMUNITY CENTER PARK FUND	\$	7,720.68
VILLAGE PARK FUND	\$	194.29
TIF DIST 02/LIBERTY PARK	\$	550.00

Kelly Mulder was present to request the that the Village approve their request to allow a 19-acre lot into 2 different lots. One 11-acres and the other 8-acres.

The Village Board had no issues with the request.

**TRUSTEE BRACKNEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM KELLY MULDER TO SEPARATE 1 19-ACRE LOT INTO TWO LOTS. ONE LOT TO BE 11-ACRES AND THE OTHER LOT TO BE 8-ACRES. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY. VOICE VOTE.**

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

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED:** 5-0 (1 absent)

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Streets & Alleys:** Trustee Morrow reported that Taylor Ridge Paving fixed the road by their building. It looks beautiful.

**Finance & Audit:** Jim Taylor from Odoni CPAs was present with our prepared audit. He went over the expenses and revenues from the fiscal year ending 2023. He explained that the Village is in a strong financial position. He called it a solid evaluation.

**TRUSTEE FINLEY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING ON APRIL 30, 2023. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE BRACKNEY. ROLL CALL VOTE.**

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

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED:** 5-0 (1 absent)

Treasurer Powell reported that one of our CD's is up for renewal. The Trustees instructed her to roll it over for 1 year.

Trustee Brackney stated again that he is proud of the management of the money the trustees have done. The Village is in a fantastic financial position.

**Buildings & Grounds:** Justin Parchert reported that we employed 3 B's Construction to repair the storm damage done to our buildings a few months back. The insurance company has already paid out for the damages done. Justin will use the remaining funds on the buildings once the worst of the damage is repaired.

Justin wants to fix and/or remove some of the doors at the Community Center. He will begin getting bids for this project.

**Harbor:** Trustee Kelly is in talks with Senator Sorenson to see if there are any resources available to pay for harbor dredging. Clerk Hoffman suggested he speak with Bi-State Regional Planning Commission.

Some of the Trustees are questioning why the Village is actively looking into dredge funding. Why isn't Superior looking into funding?

**Park & recreation:** Trustee Melody told Justin that the Lion's Park looks great. His hard work is showing.

Justin stripped the floor at the Community Center and rewaxed it. It looks like new.

The new fence around the pickle ball court has been installed and it looks great.

**Police:** Trustee Finley reported that everything has been quiet.

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

**Village Clerk:** Clerk Hoffman presented a request for a donation from Rockridge's Thanks Giving fundraiser. The Trustees agreed to donate \$100.00. The donation will be included on the December 2, 2023 board meeting bills list.

**TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SENDING A \$100.00 DONATION TO THE ROCKRIDGE CUSD'S THANKS GIVING FUND RAISER. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE BRACKNEY. VOICE VOTE.**

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

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED:** 5-0 (1 absent)

Clerk Hoffman prepared an expense report for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of our fiscal year. This report allows the Trustees to see where the current spending is for the Village.

**Public Works Director:** Justin Parchert reminded everyone that the Max “Crud” Stark Christmas Party will be on December 2, 2023. We hope to see everyone there.

The new option this year is the Santa’s Mailbox. The children will be able to write a letter to Santa. If they include a self-addressed stamped envelope, then Santa will write them a letter back. It will be delivered through the mail.

Justin put all the Christmas Lights up in the Village. They look great.

Justin said that he doesn’t have the information on a new flood pump yet. Trustee Morrow believes the flood pump should be TIF eligible.

The retaining wall at the Liberty Park entrance is TIF eligible. Justin is gathering bids for the retaining wall.

Justin said that the quarterly levee sponsor meeting went well.

Justin is ready for the snowfall. The trucks are ready and so far, there are no problems with our current equipment.

Justin gave the Trustees his to-do list for the winter. The JD 4020 tractor needs a new starter. The cost of this will be around \$1800.00.

He will pull the Ex-Mark mower’s motor valves. They need adjustment since the gaskets are leaking.

Justin has plans to purchase a brush hog this winter.

**Mayor:** Mayor Pittard didn’t have much to report. He wanted to invite everyone to the Christmas party on the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

He also reported that Doug Harper is donating the use of a few heaters for our party.

**TRUSTEE BRACKNEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:05 PM.**

Minutes written by:  
Shelly Hoffman, Village Clerk