

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**

May 5, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees met in a public meeting on Monday May 5, 2025 at the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by President Pittard at 7:00 pm. He led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

TRUSTEE KENSINGER MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 21, 2025 BOARD MEETING. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE BRACKNEY. VOICE VOTE.

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

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 - 0

TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS FOR MAY 5, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,853.66. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE FINLEY. VOICE VOTE.

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

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 - 0

GENERAL FUND	\$	21,608.76
COMMUNITY CENTER PARK FUND	\$	244.90

Treasurer Powell reported that there is now a deficit in the Social Security Fund. Like IMRF, this seems to come back to the Tax Levy. We are hoping to correct this deficit with future tax levies.

TRUSTEE MORROW MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE TREASURER REPORT FOR APRIL 2025. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE BRACKNEY. ROLL CALL VOTE.

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

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 - 0

The new Trustees were duly sworn in and took their seats at 7:04 pm. The old board were dismissed with our sincere thanks and we wish them well.

The Clerk did another roll call with the new Village Board.

Present: President Andrew Pittard, Trustee Finley, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Kelly, Trustee Melody, Trustee Kensinger, Trustee Lueker

Absent: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets & Alleys: Trustee Melody was appointed head of the Street and Alley Committee. Trustee Melody reported that the Fancy creek project phase 3 is quite a project.

Justin reported that everything is moving along nicely. At this time, progress seems slow, but that is because they are doing the infrastructure and it takes time.

Justin stated that there has been a couple of change orders. Nothing big, and Justin has signed off on them.

Justin was informed by a resident that there seems to be a crack in one of our bridges. Our bridges just had their 5-year inspection by the County. Justin looked at the suspected crack. He said it is superficial and not structural.

Finance & Audit: Trustee Kensinger presented the new Audit Agreement for approval. Our FYE 2025 audit will begin on June 23, 2025 with Bohnsack & Frommelt.

TRUSTEE KENSINGER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AUDIT ARRANGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH BOHNSACK & FROMMELT, LLP TO COMPLETE OUR FYE 2025 FINANCIAL AUDIT. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY. VOICE VOTE.

AYE: Trustee Finley, Trustee Melody, Trustee Kelly, Trustee Kensinger, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Lueker

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 - 0

Treasurer Powell and Clerk Hoffman reported that there is a third fraudulent check that has been attempted to be cashed on our General Fund. The check came through on April 1, 2025.

Buildings & Grounds: Trustee Yakovich reported that the posts on the pavilion at the Harbor Park needs to be addressed. Justin is aware and will address them as soon as he can.

Harbor: Trustee Kelly reported that the Corps is still working on the tug boat for the dredge.

He also reported that Doug Harper requested that we pay him to remove his docks for the dredging. Mayor Pittard told him that he can apply for TIF funds.

Parks & Recreation: Mayor Pittard appointed Trustee Lueker to head up the Park & Recreation committee.

Police: Nothing to report

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Village Clerk: Clerk Hoffman reported at the last regular meeting that she had misplaced 2 receipts from Casey's for gas. That the purchases were listed on Justin's gas log so we know the charges are ours.

After some digging and a call to Casey's corporate office, it was determined that the Village had already paid the bill. That is why the receipts were missing. The invoice was reissued under a new number, this is why it did not get flagged in our software.

As it turns out, the check had been lost in the mail. As a result, we paid the same bill twice. This has happened with Casey's twice now. Clerk Hoffman recommended that we no longer use the Casey's gas card.

Clerk Hoffman also reported that we need to update our website and email software. The cost to upgrade is \$2000.00. The Trustees instructed Clerk Hoffman to proceed.

Public Works Director: Justin Parchert reported that Mo will be off for the next couple of weeks. Justin will handle the mowing while he is gone.

The equipment for the dredging will be here today. There is an issue with the tug boat for the dredge but it is currently being repaired. He hopes that the dredging will begin next week.

Mayor: Mayor Pittard thanked Trustee Morrow for his 27 years of service with the Village. He has done great things for this Village over the years. He will be missed.

Mayor Pittard also thanked Trustee Brackney for his 8 years of service. He said that he was sad to see him go.

Mayor Pittard recommended that all the Trustees take a ride with Justin to see the Village from Justin's perspective. That way they can see the things they will be reporting on.

Citizen Comments: Wayne Wanek was present representing the Andalusia Cemetery Association. They are asking for a donation to help offset expenses. The Trustees all agreed to donate \$500.00, however, it will need to be added to the agenda at the next board meeting.

Wayne also thanked Justin for the dirt he gave them for the cemetery.

Bill Campbell donated a flag pole to the Village. Justin has already installed it. Thanks Bill!

Tom Peterson is donating a couple of plants and a plaque as a memorial to his late wife. Justin will plant them at the ball park as soon as he can.

Darren Parchert was present to ask the Trustees to pay him \$150.00 per week to keep the brush pile cleaned up. He stated that he has uses his own equipment and time to keep the area clean and burnt down. Mayor Pittard told him that they will discuss it at the next board meeting.

Deb Yakovich and Melissa Lueker were both present to support their husbands who were just sworn in as members of the Village Board of Trustees.

TRUSTEE FINLEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:44 PM.

Minutes written by:
Shelly Hoffman, Village Clerk