

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**

**January 26, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Trustees met in a public meeting on Monday January 26, 2026 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 Pittard, Trustee Finley, Trustee Melody, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Lueker, Trustee Kelly

Absent: Trustee Kensinger

**TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE  
JANUARY 1, 2026 BOARD MEETING. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE LUEKER. VOICE  
VOTE.**

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

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED:** 5 – 0 (1 absent)

**TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS FOR JANUARY 26,  
2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,349.35. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE FINLEY. VOICE  
VOTE.**

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

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED:** 5 – 0 (1 absent)

GENERAL FUND	\$	11,478.75
GARBAGE FUND	\$	8,650.20
POLICE DEPT FUND	\$	7,683.37
COMMUNITY CENTER PARK FUND	\$	383.13
VILLAGE PARK FUND	\$	59.90
TIF DIST 01/1 <sup>ST</sup> ST & 6 <sup>TH</sup> AVE	\$	94.00

**1-22-26 – 2- BOXES OF STAMPED ENVELOPES \$904.55**

**TRUSTEE FINLEY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2025. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE YAKOVICH. ROLL CALL VOTE.**

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

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED:** 5 – 0 (1 absent)

Treasurer Powell reported that we have a CD coming due at the end of the month. Midwest Bank gave us the best roll over rate. It will be renewed at Midwest Bank.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Streets & Alleys:** Trustee Melody said that we need to start thinking about spring projects.

Justin Parchert asked the Trustees what the budget for road work will be. As in the past, the Trustees agreed to allocate \$60,000. Justin has a couple roads on his list and will have an estimate at the next meeting.

**Finance & Audit:** Nothing to report.

**Buildings & Grounds:** Trustee Yakovich reported that there is not much going on at this time of year.

**Harbor:** Trustee Kelly will be contacting Doug Harper regarding the harbor operations and what we can expect in the new year.

Justin Parchert reported that we have a bid opening for the Seawall Project on Thursday at the Village Hall. This project is being funded by a grant. The issue is, the project seems to be coming in at approx. \$45,000 over our grant amount. We will wait until the bid opening to decide how to move forward. Being that this is infrastructure, it is TIF eligible so that is one option for covering the overage.

**Parks & Recreation:** Justin Parchert has been doing maintenance on the park equipment. He will be doing some tree trimming in the park once the weather is better.

**Police:** Trustee Finley reported that, although today we do not have a dedicated officer, there is one in the area.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

**Village Clerk:** Clerk Hoffman reported that she sent out 6 or 7 ordinance violations for lack of payment of garbage bills.

We received a letter from the Rockridge Academic Achievement Awards requesting a donation. We gave them \$200.00 last year. The Trustees agreed to match the donation this year.

**Public Works Director:** Justin Parchert gathered quotes for a new lawn mower. After discussion it was decided that he would purchase a 38.5 hp EFI Kawasaki FX 1000 for \$15,341.90.

**TRUSTEE LUEKER MADE A MOTION TO PURCHASE A 38.5 EFI KAWASAKI FX 1000 MOWER FOR \$15,341.90. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE FINLEY. VOICE VOTE.**

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

**NAY:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED:** 5 – 0 (1 absent)

**New Business:** Maryl Knoles was present to address that Trustees. She plans to purchase 20 acres of land that is within the Village Limits. Her plan is to “homestead”. She want’s animals and all. The Trustees told her that we would have to look into a “special permit” but that in the past, the landowner had to contact all surrounding neighbors for their opinion and permission before the Trustees would even consider it.

She also asked the Trustees to live in a camper on the property for approx. a year while she is building a house. This is prohibited by ordinance and in the recent past it has been enforced. Mayor Pittard told her that he cannot give her permission to do that. This will be brought back before the board in the near future.

**Citizen Comments:** Bill Campbell was present to present the board with a special flag celebrating the USA’s 250 birthday. It is a beautiful flag and the Trustees thanked Bill for the gift.

**TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE FINLEY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:28 PM.**

Minutes written by:

Shelly Hoffman, Village Clerk