

WALNUT VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

The meeting with the President and Board of Trustees held on the 6th day of May 2025 started at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall in the Village of Walnut, IL.

President Rosenthal directed the Clerk to call roll, and the following Trustees answered present:, Brian Stull, Brian Smith and Melissa Dye. John Middleton was absent. With only three trustees being present, President Rosenthal made the quorum.

President Rosenthal asked if there were any additions or corrections to make to the regular meeting minutes from April 15, 2025. With no corrections made, a motion made by Smith and second by Stull to approve the minutes. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Treasurer Wolf presented the bills for \$28,784.58. A motion was made by Stull and second by Dye to approve the bills as presented. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

President Rosenthal stated every fiscal year we must appoint the positions of the Attorney, Clerk and Treasurer.

A motion made by Stull and second by Dye to appoint Ward, Murray, Pace and Johnson, P.C. as the Village Attorney. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

A motion made by Stull and second by Dye to appoint Tiffany Miller as Village Clerk. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

A motion made by Stull and second by Dye to appoint Autumn Wolf as Village Treasurer. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

President Rosenthal discussed the Street lights. The construction crew had to tear up the concrete around the light pole that is in front of the Village Office to run power to that pole. President Rosenthal discussed it with Spt. Minks and Middleton about replacing the pole now in Phase 1 for logistic purposes. President Rosenthal received quotes from Geoff Smith from Willett Hofmann. The quote came back at \$21,958.78. A motion made by Smith and second by Dye to replace the light pole in front of the Village Office on Jackson St. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Next, President Rosenthal discussed the Liberty St sidewalk. The area of sidewalk is for the Community Building between the two poles that are getting done. There is a section that has sunk. The quote came in at \$15,882.00. President Rosenthal spoke with Middleton and Spt. Minks about the cost. They all feel the quote is way too expensive and that there are other options out there that we could do to fix it. We could find someone else to do it or we could find a company to do mud jacking.

Finance Committee – Nothing at this time.

Streets & Alleys – Spt. Minks spoke with Bill McDonald. McDonald is going to be coming to town and grind up the areas that are going to be blacktop. The blacktop will be done by the 4th of July.

Water & Sewer – Nothing at this time.

Garbage – Last Friday went good for the new garbage company.

Law & Order – A Committee meeting has been set for May 20, 2025 at 6:00pm.

Cemetery – Smith stated that there are two trees that will need to come down.

Local Improvements – Smith wanted to welcome Raider's Tap, the new business, on Main Street. Smith also wanted to bring it to everyone's attention that he isn't seeing very many 2025 stickers for golf carts and side by sides. The Police Dept. will need to start talking to people about getting a new sticker. Smith encourages people to get their new sticker.

At 7:26 pm a motion made by Stull and second by Dye to go into Closed Session for 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

At 7:36 pm a motion made by Stull and second by Dye go back into Open Session. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

A motion made by Stull and second by Dye to approve the employee wages for FY 25-26 that was discussed in closed session. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Old Business – Nothing at this time.

With no other business to come before the board, Stull made a motion to adjourn, Dye second the motion and on roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Tiffany Miller,
Village Clerk

