

**WALNUT VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, January 6, 2026**

The meeting with the President and Board of Trustees held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026 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, John Middleton, Brian Smith, Melissa Dye and David Miller. Dean Hulsing came in at 7:16pm. President Rosenthal asked if there were any additions or corrections to make to the regular meeting minutes from December 15, 2025. With no corrections being made, a motion made by Middleton and second by Miller to approve the minutes. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Treasurer Wolf presented the bills for \$59,619.64. 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.

There were visitors at the meeting for public comment. Joe and Carol Dietz came to represent Dietz Drainage. Carol stated, since it's almost budget time they wanted to remind the Village Board about hard surfacing Industrial Drive.

President Rosenthal discussed the Petition for Text Amendment for the Storage Containers. The Clerk stated that the Planning Commission held a meeting the night before on Monday, January 5, 2026, and the Committee looked it over and discussed it. The Committee decided that the Petition looked good and that they recommended it back to the board for approval for the Village to put it into ordinance. A motion made by Middleton and second by Stull to approve the recommendation of the Petition for Text Amendment for the Storage Containers. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion passed.

President Rosenthal presented a resignation letter from our Police Officer Chad Winner. Officer Winner's responsibilities with the Jr. High and High School have become more than anticipated, with all the events to attend and buildings to secure. His schedule is becoming very full and that is the reason for his resignation. Officer Winner has turned in his keys and badge, everything that belongs to us. We thank him for his service over the past few years and wish him the best in the future.

With that being said, President Rosenthal spoke with Chief Roush about working on a job posting for part-time help. Instead of using Indeed to post a job they are thinking to put some kind of memo out on our letterhead and then blasting it to all the different counties, cities and communities just letting them know that we're looking for part time help. Chief Roush is going to work on that posting. Chief Roush also informed President Rosenthal that as of January 1<sup>st</sup> there's some new regulations requiring part-time help.

The Superintendent stated that he had something come to his attention yesterday regarding the Second Chance Treasures. They want to bring in a 53 foot dry semi-trailer and park it alongside the building. They have a lot of things that get donated to them that they can't sell. There is a company out of Chicago that buys this stuff by the truckload. Spt. Minks asked how long the trailer was going to be sitting there for and she said for good. The trailer would be parked there and after 3 or 4 months the company comes back and picks it up and drops off another trailer. Spt. Minks stated that the trailer is coming tomorrow. Stull asked where they wanted to park it. Spt. Minks stated that they want to park it along side the building on the West side in the grass area. Spt. Minks suggested to come off Second St. and back it behind the building as far as you can go.

Finance Committee – Nothing at this time.

Streets & Alleys – Middleton wants to set up a meeting with NCICG and Willett Hofmann along with anyone else that wants to attend. President Rosenthal is going to reach out to everyone to see what day works best for NCICG and Willett Hofmann to get a meeting set up.

Water & Sewer – Stull wanted to say thank you to the guys for all their work on the water main break. President Rosenthal also second that.

Garbage – Nothing at this time.

Law & Order – Nothing at this time.

Cemetery – Nothing at this time.

Local Improvements – Nothing at this time.

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 7:31 p.m.

Tiffany Miller,  
Village Clerk