

WALNUT VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, April 7, 2026

The meeting with the President and Board of Trustees held on the 7th day of April 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 and Dean Hulsing. Melissa Dye and David Miller were absent.

President Rosenthal asked if there were any additions or corrections to make to the regular meeting minutes from March 17, 2026. With no corrections being made, a motion made by Hulsing 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 \$34,299.34. A motion was made by Smith and second by Stull to approve the bills as presented. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried. Treasurer Wolf contacted Conxxus and canceled the fax line so that bill will be lower next time. Spt. Minks stated that there was a grant for the Sauk Valley Community College CDL Class for Brandon. It is a \$2,000.00 grant per student. So instead of it costing the Village \$3,165.00 it will now only be \$1,165.00.

Reports and Communications:

President Rosenthal presented a Resolution for Electric Municipal Aggregation Program. This program is when we partner with other similar communities to have more buying power to provide a favorable energy rate or the Village. This is just a resolution to stay part of the aggregate program. There is no type of rates or length of contract. A motion made Middleton and second by Stull to approve the Resolution for Electric Municipal Aggregation Program. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion passed.

Finance Committee – Middleton reviewed the Committee meeting that was just held on April 7, 2026. The Committee only had one open item to discuss besides wages and that item was engineering for water and sewer. The Committee took the recommendation of Willett Hofmann and used their budget for that. We will go into closed session to discuss the wages.

Streets & Alleys – Spt. Minks stated that the sidewalks are starting to be torn out. There was a few problems right away. They found old coal shoots that were under the sidewalks. So, they are blocking that up and that wasn't figured into the contract. Smith asked how many they found. Spt. Minks stated they have found two. They were found at Raider's Tap and Main Street Bar.

Spt. Minks contacted another blacktop company to get an estimate on the streets that we're going to do or possibly do this year.

Water & Sewer – Spt. Minks has an update on the 40 Project. He spoke with Matt Hansen and there will be a pre-construction meeting shortly.

Garbage – Nothing at this time.

Law & Order – Stull stated that we received a couple more applications for the Chief's position.

Cemetery – Nothing at this time.

Local Improvements – Nothing at this time.

At 7:24 pm a motion made by Middleton and second by Stull to go into Closed Session for 5 ILCS (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 8:36 pm a motion made by Middleton and second by Stull to 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 Middleton to approve the employee wages for FY 26-27. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion passed.

Old Business – Nothing at this time.

With no other business to come before the board, Stull made a motion to adjourn, Hulsing second the motion and on roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Tiffany Miller,
Village Clerk