

VILLAGE OF YATES CITY REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025 6:00 P.M. 102 WEST MAIN STREET, YATES CITY, ILLINOIS

1. Call to Order

Hostetler called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Present: Tom Kinzer, Dave Mahr, Seth Lekies, Matt Ehens, Ron Smith, Mark Hostetler, and Vonda Brinker
Also Present: Neely Carr, Joy Mahr, Randy Benson, and Molly Richeson of *The Weekly Post*

3. Pledge of Allegiance

All present stood and pledged to the flag

4. Citizens to Address the Board

No Citizens present

5. Approve Minutes for January 8th Board Meeting and February 7th Committee Meeting

Ehens moved to approve minutes for the January 8th Board meeting and February 7th Committee Meeting. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

6. Approve Monthly Bills, Payroll and Financial Statements

Agenda item #11 is on the bill sheet. Lekies moved to approve Roto-Rooter invoice in the amount of \$953.75 for completed camera work on sewer line in the 300 Block of S. Burson. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous. Agenda item #12 is on the bill sheet. Lekies moved to approve Roto-Rooter invoice in the amount of \$1,050.00 for completed hydro-jet work on sewer line in the 300 Block of S. Burson and 100 Block of E. Maple. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous. Kinzer moved to approve the Warner Mechanical invoice on the bill sheet in the amount of \$3,980.00 for 6 joint repairs near the utility alley at 407 Walter Street. Mahr seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous. Kinzer moved to approve monthly bills, payroll, and financial statements. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

7. Police Report – Chief Randy Benson

Chief Benson reported the squad car needs an oil change. Jordan's will be servicing it. The new body cameras have 2 different style clips and he would like to order more of the magnetic style as they are more durable and sturdier.

8. Discuss/Approve New 5 Year Contract with Marco for \$270.34/mo

Ehens moved to approve the new 5-year contract with Marco for \$270.34/month. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

9. Discuss/Approve Purchasing a 72” Skeleton Grapple Bucket for Skid-Steer in the Amount of \$1,639.95. All SkidSteers Inc. Does Not Accept a Check, must have an Account and Purchase Order. Stout Buckets Listing Price for a 62” is \$2,699.00 Including Shipping, Checks Accepted.

SkidSteers Inc. is suspected to be a scam. Ehens moved to approve purchasing a 62" grapple bucket from Stout Buckets in the amount of \$2,699.00 with a possible \$100.00 off coupon. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

10. Discuss/Approve Spray Patching for 2025 in the Amount of \$6,000.00

Discussion had on spray patching the Southwest quadrant of the Village along with Knox Road 2300. Kinzer moved to approve spray patching in the amount of \$6,000.00 from Road & Bridge. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

11. Discuss/Approve Roto-Rooter Invoice in the Amount of \$953.75 for Completed Camera Work on Sewer Line in the 300 Block of S. Burson

See item #6.

12. Discuss/Approve Roto-Rooter Invoice in the Amount of \$1,050.00 for Completed Hydro-Jet Work on Sewer Line in the 300 Block of S. Burson and 100 Block of E. Maple

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13. Discuss/Approve Illinois Valley Document Destruction at \$3.00/mile with a Minimum of 70 totes / 300lbs. Distance of 89 Miles Will Total a Minimum of \$267.00. Local Records Disposal Certificate was Last Completed in 2000.

Correction for minimum of 6 totes. Round trip from Peru amount is \$516.00. Estimated 20 totes at \$70.00 per tote for \$1,400.00. Ehens moved to approve hiring Illinois Valley Document Destruction for an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

14. Discuss Municipal Code Violations Regarding Village Citizens

Discussion was held regarding outstanding violations for a resident in the 400 block of West Main Street. Brunton informed us that a different employee that will be taking over court proceedings.

15. Committee Reports

No updated reports given.

16. Discussion of Such Other Business as may Properly Come before the Board and Action, if any, to be Taken as Result of Discussions

- Ehens moved to approve the February 10th Special Board meeting minutes. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.
- Lekies moved to approve a \$1.00/hour raise for Public Works employee Brian Efnor starting on February 23rd. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.
- The Board was informed of a water tap-in that occurred before payment was received/it was approved for a new build on William Street. Brunton will move forward with a **cease-and-desist** letter to the owner and contractor.
- The Maple and Oak trees in front of/in alley of the library need trimmed.

ADJOURNMENT: Ehens moved to adjourn the meeting. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Neely Carr, Village Clerk