

**VILLAGE OF YATES CITY SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, MAY 21, 2025 6:00 P.M. 102 WEST MAIN STREET, YATES CITY, ILLINOIS**

**1. Call to Order**

Mark Hostetler called the meeting to order at 6:10 P.M.

Present: Tom Kinzer, Dave Mahr, Seth Lekies, Vonda Brinker, Mark Hostetler, Neely Carr, Joy Mahr

Absent: Ron Smith, Matt Ehens

**2. Mark Hostetler Sworn in to Office as Village President**

Neely Carr, Village Clerk, administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Village President, Mark Hostetler.

**3. Appoint Thomas Kinzer, Village President Pro Tem**

Hostetler put to question the appointment of Thomas Kinzer as Village President Pro Tem with passing votes as follows:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Absent: 2

Abstain: 0

**4. Appoint Neely Carr, Village Clerk, and Oath of Office**

Hostetler put to question the appointment of Neely Carr as Village Clerk with passing votes as follows:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Absent: 2

Abstain: 0

Hostetler administered the Oath of Office.

**5. Appoint Joy Mahr, Village Treasurer, and Oath of Office**

Hostetler put to question the appointment of Joy Mahr as Village Treasurer with passing votes as follows:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Absent: 2

Abstain: 0

Hostetler administered the Oath of Office.

**6. Appoint Scott Brunton- Miller, Hall, & Triggs LLC, Village Attorney**

Hostetler put to question the appointment of Scott Brunton- Miller, Hall, & Triggs LLC as Village Attorney with passing votes as follows:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Absent: 2

Abstain: 0

## **7. Appoint Randy Benson, Village Police Chief**

Hostetler put to question the appointment of Randy Benson as Village Police Chief with passing votes as follows:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Absent: 2

Abstain: 0

## **8. Discuss/Approve Committee Assignments**

Hostetler put to question the appointment of Committee Assignments as follows:

Water- Seth Lekies

Sewer- Dave Mahr

Finance & Insurance- Tom Kinzer

Technology/Public Grounds- Vonda Brinker

Police- Matt Ehens

Streets & Alleys- Ron Smith

with passing votes as follows:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Absent: 2

Abstain: 0

## **9. Discuss Test Pumping for the Well**

Hostetler discussed an e-mail from Neil Smith, Bruner, Cooper, & Zuck, with the concern of the pressure on the clay tile sewer causing a blowout. There were 3 options given:

1. Pipe over to the storm sewer
2. Pump into the gravel surface reservoir then haul offsite
3. Disperse flow towards a drainage pathway

As the Board discussed these options, there was concern of the amount of sediment/grout there would be, whether the gallons per minute could be less, what their tanker capacity would be for logistic purposes, and a possible 13" drain on Burson. More discussion was had on the north lagoon and possibly the creek by the gate, with land/farmer permission. The Board decided to have Neil come to our meeting to discuss options more in detail and decide on a plan.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Kinzer moved to adjourn the meeting. Brinker seconded. Roll call unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 6:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Neely Carr  
Village Clerk