VILLAGE OF YATES CITY REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2026 6:00 P.M. 102 WEST MAIN STREET, YATES CITY, ILLINOIS

1. **Call to Order**
   Meeting was called to order at 6:05pm

2. **Roll Call**
   Present: Matt Ehens, Tom Kinzer, Dave Mahr, Ron Smith, Seth Lekies, Mark Hostetler
   Also Present: Neely Carr, Joy Mahr, Chief Jim Record, Scott Brunton Village Attorney
   Absent: Vonda Brinker

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
   All present stood and pledged the flag

4. **Citizens to Address the Board / Public Comment**
   No citizens present

5. **Reappointment of Village Clerk, Neely Carr, and Administration of Oath of Office**
   Kinzer moved to reappoint Neely Carr as Village Clerk. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous. Oath of Office was administered by Mark Hostetler.

6. **Reappointment of Village Treasurer, Joy Mahr, and Administration of Oath of Office**
   Smith moved to reappoint Joy Mahr as Village Treasurer. Lekies seconded the motion.
   Roll call vote:
   Ayes: 4
   Abstain: 1
   Oath of Office was administered by Mark Hostetler.

7. **Reappointment of Village Attorney, Scott Brunton- Miller, Hall, & Triggs LLC**
   Kinzer moved to reappoint Scott Brunton, Miller, Hall, & Triggs LLC, as Village Attorney. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

8. **Reappointment of Village Police Chief, James Record Sr., and Administration of Oath of Office**
   Reappointment was not needed and the Chief previously took the Oath of Office upon previous appointment.

9. **Designation of Official Financial Institution**
   Kinzer moved to designate the Bank of Yates City as the Village's official financial institution. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

10. **Approve Minutes for May 13th, 2026 Village Board Meeting and for May 6th, 2026 Committee Meeting**
    Ehens moved to approve the Board minutes for May 13, 2026 and Committee minutes for May 6, 2026. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous

11. **Approve Monthly Bills, Payroll and Financial Statements**
    Kinzer moved to roll CD 10662 rolled for 6 months. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.
    Ehens moved to put $200.00 from WW Checking to start the reservoir account. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.
    Kinzer moved to approve the monthly bills, payroll, and financial statements. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

12. Police Report- Chief Record

Chief reported that Byron has started working.

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Trustee Kinzer: Finance/Insurance

(1) Reports:

(a) Update on Insurance Claim for Power Surge Damages

Received the check

(2) Action Items:

(a) Approve Appropriations Ordinance for Period 5/1/26 through 4/30/27 due by July 31, 2026

Kinzer moved to approve the Appropriations Ordinance. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

(b) Approve $500.00 Donation to Fireworks Committee

Kinzer moved to approve a donation to the fireworks committee in the amount of $500.00. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

B. Trustee Lekies: Water

(1) Reports:

(a) Update on Well/Reservoir Projects

Waiting on parts.

(b) Update on Isolation Valve Project

Kinsel will get back with dates

(c) Update on EcoWater Refurbishing Water Softeners

Job completed

(2) Action Items:

(a) Approve Reservoir Project Change Order #2 (VFDs for High Service Pumps) in the Amount of $9,701.11

Lekies moved to approve Change Order #2 in the amount of $9,701.11. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

(b) Approve Hiring Kinsel to Replace Two Isolation Valves to Bypass Water Tower in the Amount of $10,400.00

This is required to test the reservoir. Lekies moved to approve the change order #2 in the amount of $9,701.11. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous. This will be completed at the end of July

(c) Approve Reservoir (or Well) Change Order request to build a security fence around new well and associated electrical panel

Tabled- no update from Kevan Cooper

C. Trustee Mahr: Sewer

(1) Reports:

(a) Update on Shaft and Gear Box Replacement for South Oxidation Ditch Paddle Wheel at the Treatment Plant

Lakeside quote showed 5’ cage rotor blade at $2,895.00 each. For replacement of a total of 12 blades on the cage, it would be a total amount of $34,740.00. Additional parts including washers, nuts, etc. are additional.

(2) Action Items:

(a) Approve repair of Large 50 H.P. Pump at Lift performed by Gasvoda Group in an Amount not to Exceed $3,432.80

Mahr moved to approve the repair of the large 50 hp pump at the lift station performed by Gasvoda Group in an amount not to exceed of $3,432.80. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

(b) Approve root removal and jetting of Lift-Station overflow pipe (old sewer line) at the Lagoon by Kinsel for $425.00

Mahr moved to approved the root removal and jetting of the lift station overflow pipe at the lagoon by Kinsel for $425.00. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

D. Trustee Ehens: Police

(1) Reports:

(a) Discuss Property at 304 W Williams Street and Related Zoning, Permit, and Restrictive Covenant Considerations

Discussion was held on information received and discussed the next steps in gathering additional information. The matter will continue to be reviewed.

(2) Action Items:

(a) Approve Hiring Jeremiah Ulm as Police Officer

Ehens moved to approve hiring Jeremiah Ulm as a police officer. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

(c) Approve Hiring Chris Darsham as Police Officer

Ehens moved to approve hiring Chris Darsham as a police officer. Kinzer seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

E. Trustee Smith: Streets/Alleys

(1) Reports:

(a)

None

(2) Action Items:

(a) Approve Purchasing Outdoor Garbage Cans for Post Office and Other Areas

Currently stored cans; 1 was broken and 1 was placed by the Post Office. No purchasing at this time.

14. VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

(1) Reports:

None

ADJOURNMENT

Smith moved to adjourn at 6:47pm. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Neely Carr
Village Clerk