

VILLAGE OF YATES CITY REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2026 6:00 P.M. 102 WEST MAIN STREET, YATES CITY, ILLINOIS

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Hostetler

2. Roll Call

Present: Matt Ehens, Vonda Brinker, Tom Kinzer, Dave Mahr, Ron Smith, Seth Lekies, Mark Hostetler

Also Present: Neely Carr, Joy Mahr, Phil Goedeke, Jim Record, Scott Brunton

3. Pledge of Allegiance

All present stood and pledged the flag.

4. Citizens to Address the Board / Public Comment

Phil Goedeke was present to answer any questions regarding the Williams Street property and the upcoming Public Hearing.

5. Approve Minutes for June 10th, 2026 Village Board Meeting and for June 3rd, 2026 Committee Meeting

Kinzer moved to approve the minutes from June 10th Board meeting and June 3rd Committee Meeting. Brinker seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

6. Approve Monthly Bills, Payroll and Financial Statements

Kinzer moved to approve the monthly bills, payroll, and financial statements. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

7. Police Report- Chief Record

Chief Record reported the Sherriff's office is switching over to encryption on Monday.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Trustee Kinzer: Finance/Insurance

(1) Reports:

None

B. Trustee Lekies: Water

(1) Reports:

(a) Update on Well/Reservoir Projects

The top is completely on and welding is almost complete.

(2) Action Items:

(a) Approve Hiring Kinsel to Replace Shut-Off Valve at 110 E. Bishop Street in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,400.00

Ehens moved to approve hiring Kinsel to replace the shut-off valve at 110 E Bishop Street in an amount not to exceed \$1,400.00. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

(b) Approve Water Tower Inspection by James Orr Inspection LLC in the Amount of \$4,000.00

Quote from Mitco was \$7,876.00. Kinzer moved to approve hiring James Orr Inspection LLC to complete the water tower inspection in the amount of \$4,000.00. Ehens seconded. Roll call unanimous.

OTHER: Hostetler informed the Board that the IEPA approved change order #2 for the VFDs. The contingency fund has a \$6,000.00 balance.

C. Trustee Mahr: Sewer

(1) Reports:

(a) Discuss Lift Station Event of 7/2/26

Hostetler provided the Board with a series of messages describing the situation. A pressure gauge failed on Pump 3 and caused a water leak that damaged electrical components. The leak was repaired, power

was restored, and Pump 1 has been operating while repairs were made. Quotes for replacement of the damaged items as well as two older breakers and an old transformer were requested. The generator is not operating during power failures. Jordan will troubleshoot but may need to call Midwest Equipment.

(b) Discuss Treatment Plant Hauling of Dry Sludge to Knox County Landfill

Joy Mahr discussed that a permit was required but Knox County is not currently accepting this and is not expected to do so for approximately two years. The landfill by Moline, IL will accept the sludge but requires prior testing. Discussion on contacting other landfills was had.

(2) Action Items:

(a) Approve Largent4 Custom Services LLC to Fabricate, Prime, Paint and Undercoat Twelve (12) Stainless Steel Paddles in the Amount of \$5,650.00

Discussion was had on the use of carbon steel versus stainless steel. The Board determines stainless steel was the preferred option. Kinzer moved to approve Largent4 Custom Services, LLC to fabricate, prime, paint, and undercoat twelve stainless steel paddles in the amount of \$5,650.00. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

(b) Approve Largent4 Custom Services LLC to Sandblast, Epoxy Primer, Industrial Paint and Undercoat the Aerator Reel in the Amount of \$1,200.00

Kinzer moved to approve Largent4 Custom Services, LLC to sandblast, epoxy primer, industrial paint, and undercoat the aerator reel in the amount of \$1,200.00. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

(c) Approve the Purchase of 132 tons of FA4 Sand from Tremont Sand & Gravel in the Amount of \$1,056.00

Discussed in conjunction with item "e"

(d) Approve Hauling of 132 tons of FA4 Sand (6 truckloads) from John Woodcock in the Amount of \$1,716.00

Discussed in conjunction with item "e"

(e) Approve Spreading of 132 tons of FA4 Sand in #1 Sand Filter at Treatment Plant from John Woodcock in the Amount of \$660.00

Discussion was held regarding concerns about whether using a skid steer was an appropriate method for spreading the sand and the potential for damage to the piping within the filter bed. The Board tabled the item to allow for additional research and consideration of other options.

(f) Approve Reimbursement for Plumbing Issues in 300 Block of N Kellogg

The resident was not present to provide additional information or discuss the invoices from Roto-Rooter and Mr. Rooter. The item was tabled.

D. Trustee Ehens: Police

(1) Reports:

None

E. Trustee Smith: Streets/Alleys

(1) Reports:

None

F. Trustee Brinker: Technology/Public Grounds

(1) Reports:

None

9. VILLAGE PRESIDENT

(1) Reports:

(a) Discuss Update on FOIA Lawsuit

None

(b) Discuss Special Permit Hearing on July 22nd, 2026

Pursuant to Village Ordinance 2007-660 a public hearing is scheduled for July 22, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

(c) Discuss Mid Century Fiber and Foundation of Rural Service Community Grant Program Ideas

Hostetler will contact Miko Armwood to obtain a quote for additional security cameras throughout the Village so there is an estimated cost for the grant application.

(2) Action Items:

- (a) Approve Hiring Sam Hostetler for the Open Public Works Position at an Hourly Wage of Not Less Than \$17.00 and Not More Than \$20.00 Per Hour**

Tabled

10. OTHER BUSINESS

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

Brinker moved to adjourn the meeting. Lekies seconded. Roll call unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Neely Carr

Village Clerk