

VILLAGE OF YATES CITY REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2024 6:00 P.M. 102 WEST MAIN STREET, YATES CITY, ILLINOIS

1. Call to Order:

Mark Hostetler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll call:

Present: Ron Smith, Tom Kinzer, Dave Mahr, Seth Lekies, Mark Hostetler, Matt Ehens, and Vonda Brinker
Also Present: Joy Mahr, Randy Benson, Susan Hostetler, Neely Carr, Gary Inskeep, Janet Inskeep, Donna Grubb, Beth Wrage, Brenda Hitchcock, Scott Brunton of Miller Hall & Triggs, LLC, and Molly Richeson of *The Weekly Post*

3. Pledge:

All present stood and pledged to the flag.

4. Citizens to address the Board:

Gary Inskeep, Janet Inskeep, Donna Grubb, and Beth Wrage addressed the Board voicing concerns regarding a residence in the 400 block of West Main Street. Scott Brunton informed the citizens that legal matters were in progress and Chief Benson encouraged them to make reports while incidents are occurring. Brenda Hitchcock addressed the Board about handicap access to the Post Office. Brinker is assisting her. She was also wanting an update on the well project. She was informed of the pending Ordinance approval on the Agenda.

5. Approval of July 10, 2024 Board Meeting and August 7, 2024 Special Board Meeting Minutes:

Ehens moved to approve the of July 10, 2024 board meeting and August 7, 2024 special board meeting minutes. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

6. Approval of 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. Accept Resignation of Susan Hostetler, Temporary Village Clerk:

Ehens moved to accept Susan Hostetler's resignation as Temporary Village Clerk. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

8. Swearing in of Village Clerk, Neely Carr:

Mark Hostetler swore in Neely Carr as Village Clerk.

9. Police Report- Chief Benson:

The July police report was presented and reviewed by the Board. Benson informed Board the Department was ready for the upcoming Harvest Home Festival.

10. Approve Ordinance Authorizing Loan Agreement Between the Village and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,407,081.70 Pursuant to the Public Water Supply Loan Program for a New Well for the Village's Water Supply System:

Mark Hostetler put to question the approval of the ordinance authorizing loan agreement between the Village and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in an amount not to exceed \$1,407,081.70 pursuant to the Public Water Supply Loan Program for a new well for the Village's water supply system with passing votes as follows:

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

11. Approve Notice of Intent to Award Contract for New Well Project to Low Bidder in the Amount of \$1,206,790.00:

Mark Hostetler put to question the approval of the notice of intent to award contract for new well project to low bidder in the amount of \$1,206,790.00 with passing votes as follows:

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

12. Approve Pea Gravel Purchase from Burgess Brothers in the Amount of \$1,200.00:

Smith moved to approve pea gravel purchase from Burgess Brothers in the amount of \$1,200.00. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

13. Approve Tree Trimming in Town Park by Advanced Tree Service in the Amount of \$1,500.00:

Kinzer moved to approve tree trimming in town park by Advanced Tree Service in the amount of \$1,500.00. Mahr Seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

14. Discuss Municipal Code Violations Regarding Village Citizens:

At 6:29 p.m. a motion was made by Kinzer to enter executive session to discuss probable or imminent litigation affecting or on behalf of the Village. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

At 7:05 p.m. Kinzer moved to end the executive session. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

In open session, roll call was taken. Present: Ron Smith, Tom Kinzer, Dave Mahr, Seth Lekies, Mark Hostetler, Matt Ehens, Vonda Brinker, Joy Mahr, Randy Benson, Susan Hostetler, and Neely Carr.

15. Committee Reports:

Chief Benson reported new camera installation completed at the maintenance building.

16. Discussion of such other business as may properly come before the Board and action, if any, to be taken as result of discussions:

Scott Brunton reported an ordinance to divest Village property valued up to \$1,000 will be prepared for next month.

ADJOURNMENT: Mahr moved to adjourn the meeting. Ehens seconded. Roll call unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Neely Carr, Village Clerk