

**VILLAGE OF YATES CITY SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2025 5:45 P.M. 102 WEST MAIN STREET, YATES CITY, ILLINOIS**

**1. Call to Order**

Mark Hostetler called the meeting to order at 5:46 P.M.

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

Also Present: Kevan Cooper, Chris Bewley, Neely Carr, Joy Mahr, Molly Richeson from *The Weely Post*, Scott Brunton Village Attorney

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

All present stood and pledged to the flag

**3. Citizens to Address the Board Regarding the Proposed Ground Tank Loan that will be funded by IEPA loan**

Kevan Cooper informed the Board that the hearing was a routine procedure associated with the IEPA loan, allowing citizens the opportunity to address the Board regarding the proposed ground tank project to be funded by the IEPA. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and four Native American tribes were contacted and given the opportunity to provide feedback or express concerns. No objections or criticism were received from any of the agencies, and no citizens were present at the hearing. Cooper stated that the planning report can now be finalized as the next step in the process. Once planning approval is received, the IEPA will issue a loan approval letter, after which the Village may proceed to advertise the project for bid. Upon IEPA review of the bids, a loan agreement will be issued to the Village, allowing the bid to be awarded and construction to begin.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Kinzer moved to adjourn the meeting. Brinker seconded. Roll call unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 5:56 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Neely Carr  
Village Clerk