

**VILLAGE OF YATES CITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024 6:00 P.M. 102 West Main, Yates City, IL**

**1. Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.**

**2. Roll Call:**

Present: Ken Vallas, Matt Ehens, Dave Mahr, Tom Kinzer, Ron Smith. Also present: Debbie Canier, Joy Mahr, Attorney Wayne Statham, Attorney Scott Brunton

**3. Pledge:** We all stood and Pledged to the Flag

**4. Approval of Minutes for January 10, 2024 Board Meeting &**

**5. Approval of Monthly Bills, Payroll and Financial Statements**

Kinzer made a motion to approve the Board Minutes for January 10, 2024 & and Monthly Bills, Payroll and Financials. Ehens seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

**6. Citizens to address the Board** N/A

**7. Police Report:** January report was presented to the Village President.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**8. Discussion and possible action on applying for a Grant through WIRC for a new equipped snow truck &**

**9. Discussion and possible action on purchase of a new dump truck with the snowplow.**

Ken is going to look into the options available for the truck. Mahr made a motion to approve up to \$95,000. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**10. Discussion and possible action on purchase of a new Mower and possibly trading in the old mower or putting the old one up for bids.**

The new mower would be exactly as we have had for a cost of \$5000 with the old mower traded in. Smith made a motion to approve with Mahr second. Roll call unanimous.

**11. Discussion and possible action of additional security cameras &**

**12. Discussion and possible action on purchase of rock &**

**13. Discussion and possible action on having all door locks and padlocks rekeyed or new for all Village owned properties.**

Additional security cameras would be at a cost of \$1850 and are needed for the Village Storage Sheds and Water Works Dept. The road to the sewer plant needs rock. 6-8 loads would be needed to start at \$500 per load. To rekey the padlocks or replace doorknobs for VILLAGE OWNED property would be \$1200. Kinzer made a motion to approve the purchases as listed with Ehens second. Roll call unanimous

**14. Discussion and possible action on changes to the Offense Code by Ordinance or Resolution.**

Chief Benson had finalized the Ordinance and will make copies for the office & police department.

**15. Discussion and possible action on having the electrical issues at the water plant fixed.**

There have been problems with the reset having blown and the wiring in the pump. Martin will start with those issues. A starting cost is \$2000. Mahr made a motion to approve with Kinzer second. Roll call unanimous.

**16. Discussion and possible action on placing an ad for hiring employees &**

**17. Discussion and possible action on approval for the Village President and Mark Hostetler to interview and hire a public works employee after consulting with Board Members.**

Attorney Wayne Statham that President Ken Vallas and Board Member Mark Hostetler had the authority to hire within the Village for this particular circumstance. A ad has been placed in the Weekly Post.

**18. Discussion and possible action for a Spring Clean-up Day & placement of ad.**

The Spring Cleanup day will be April 20<sup>th</sup> from 7 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Debbie will place an ad for 2 weeks in the Weekly Post. Joy will get dumpsters set up. Kinzer made a motion to approve. Ehens second. Roll call unanimous.

**Adjournment:**

Ehens made a motion to adjourn. Mahr seconded motion.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Canier  
Village Clerk