

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Village of Philo
December 10, 2025

GUESTS: Chris Payne, Chad Osterbur, Elaine Grubb, Marc Miller, Nicole Miller, Janet Decker, Dave Traxler, Kevin Chalmers and Susan Monte.

ROLL CALL: Present -Trustees Messman, Beckett and Grubb. Absent Trustees Kelley and Happ. President Franks will be voting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES: Trustee Steve Messman made a motion, seconded by Trustee Eric Beckett to approve the minutes of November 12, 2025. Voice vote, all "aye's", motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Trustee Steve Messman made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tim Grubb, to approve the bills as presented with the payment to Twin City in the amount of \$155.39 added. Roll call vote, "aye's" Trustees Messman, Beckett, Grubb and President Franks. Motion passed unanimously.

GUEST: Susan Monte introduced herself to the board and provided Champaign County Environmental Stewards information. One of their main objectives is to protect the aquifer. They do a once a year collection, about 1% of the demand. Trustee Grubb asked once its built what/who supports it. Susan responded the Champaign-Urbana Sanitary District. President Franks commented there is no charge to residents/individuals to take waste, electronics, paint and batteries. Resident Chris Payne stated they have a paint collection program. A memorandum from the non-profit included a request for the Village of Philo to make a contribution to be used toward construction of the planned Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility in Urbana. See the attached memo for detail. President Franks thanked Susan for presenting their request and noted the board will consider the request. No action taken at this meeting.

VILLAGE ENGINEER: Chad noted the septic project at the REFMC is finished. There will be additional clean-up in the spring as well as grading and reseeding. This may include a \$2,000.00 change order in the spring.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY: Nothing to discuss.

VILLAGE MAINTENANCE: Dave provided information regarding the repair of the 2019 John Deere tractor. The bill so far is over \$13,000 and they have had it since the end of August. They discovered a crack in the hydrostatic transmission casing causing a leak in the hydraulics. Dave noted there were no leaks from the tractor in his shop. The option to send it to a different shop to be welded at a cost of \$600.00 was discussed. Trustee comments were: Weld would not hold because of spider cracks; talk to the service manager; No leaks before, did they drop; Maybe take somewhere else; See about discount of parts/labor, fix and

keep; if in their system-deal on it. Dave Traxler will call to see if service tech is there and President Franks will talk to him Thursday.

Dave received call Saturday evening that the roof at REFMC was leaking at the south end of hallway. He went upstairs and discovered a hole in the rubber roofing. Then two more leaks were discovered in the North West classroom. Bash Pepper Roofing to take a look and it was also suggested Joey White (White Roofing) take a look, too.

VILLAGE TREASURER: Kevin noted the reports are in the board packets and that everything is in order.

OLD BUSINESS: Naming of the hill/retention area to the John Mumma Park was discussed and the board in agreement. Information will be provided at the January 2026 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: The Champaign County Animal Control Services Agreement was presented. It was noted the cost will be noted in the contract, which is an hourly rate per occurrence. Reports are only available on line. President Franks believes the agreement is safe to approve and sign. Trustee Tim Grubb made a motion, seconded by Trustee Eric Beckett, to authorize President Franks sign the agreement. Roll call vote, "aye's" Trustees Messman, Beckett, Grubb and President Franks. Motion passed unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

Trustee Grubb-Nothing

Trustee Beckett-Nothing

Clerk Kirby-Noted she contacted Feller-Kuester regarding our 2024-25 audit.

Trustee Messman-Nothing

President Franks-Nothing

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Trustee Tim Grubb made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steve Messman, to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote, all "aye's", meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m to the Philo Tavern for annual Christmas dinner.

VILLAGE CLERK

VILLAGE PRESIDENT