

Village of Makanda
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Board Minutes

July 1, 2025

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER: Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Tina Shingleton.

ROLL CALL: Clerk called the roll of the Village Board: Trustees Hilliard, Hagler, Wolff, Cardenaz, Ross, and Dalton were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: President asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Trustee Ross made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. It was seconded by Trustee Hilliard. Voice vote. All members present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S HEARING: Joe McFarland distributed flyers for his upcoming event: Beer Cans and Barbecue 2025 to be held Saturday July 12, 2025, from 2p.m. - 6 p.m. at the B.C. Ross Community Center. This event is a beer can swap meet and hosted by The Last Beer Can Collectors of America. The event is an empty beer can trade only. No selling is allowed and is open to the public.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: President asked if everyone was okay with removing the Eclipse Committee from the Functional Subdivision page in the Village Handbook and replacing it with the Special Events Committee as the Eclipse Committee would fall under this Committee. President spoke with Leslie, Elaine, and Janet to see if they would serve on the Committee and they agreed. Updated sheets were passed out to everyone for their Handbooks.

CLERK:

TRUSTEES: Trustee Cardenaz gave a brief update on his neighbor's property that had burned. After several delays, the clean-up is ready to begin.

FISCAL MATTERS:

A. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer presented the Treasurer's Report to the Board.

B. Bills Payable: Treasurer presented the Bills Payable.

President asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills. Trustee Wolff made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Dalton. Voice vote. All present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. Finance Committee:

B. Ordinance Committee:

C. Street & Road Committee: Trustee Wolff reported that Dan and Randy are doing a great job of mowing the roads. Trustee Ross reported that at the intersection of Crackers Neck and Baptist Hill, the trees and other growth from the private yard are overgrown and block the visibility, creating a traffic hazard. President Shingleton will talk to the property owner.

D. Subdivision Committee:

E. Insurance Committee:

F. Playground Committee: President provided an update regarding replacement of mulch at playground. Waiting to move forward when weather stays dry. Have contacted Hileman's Bobcat Service and will work with them and Dan to schedule replacement of mulch.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

A. Emergency Disaster Committee: Clerk will contact Josh Lipe to set up First Responder training for the Emergency Disaster Committee.

B. Special Events Committee: President has received most of the paperwork and the permit fee for the Southern Illinois Honey Festival scheduled Saturday,

September 6. There are still a few details to work out. The Committee will try to meet with Sara once final details are set.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS: President contacted Kevin with WK&T regarding BEAD funding for Broadband in downtown Makanda. He advised they are still evaluating opportunities and working through easement issues. He will let President know if anything changes.

NEW BUSINESS:

President received an email from IML Risk Management regarding an Early Return to Work Policy to provide employees who have sustained work-related injuries with the opportunity to return to or remain on the municipality's payroll during periods of partial incapacity resulting from these injuries. All municipalities are required to adopt an Early Return to Work policy by September. They understand the policy may not currently apply to all municipalities or all situations but are still requesting adoption to reflect our commitment to following this risk management best practice if or when it becomes applicable. Village legal counsel has reviewed the sample policy provided by IMLRA. President asked all Board members for their approval to adopt this policy. After discussion, Board decided to put approval on hold. Village Clerk will contact Anne Binette at IML Risk Management to ask questions the Board has regarding the policy. Will address at August meeting.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS: Trustee Ross reported that the current issue Egyptian Electric magazine has a three-page article on the Makanda Boardwalk.

ADJOURNMENT: President asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Wolff and was seconded by Trustee Ross. Voice Vote. All present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Leslie Yambert, Village Clerk

Tina Shingleton, President