

Village of Makanda
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Board Minutes

September 2, 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 Wolff made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. It was seconded by Trustee Dalton. Voice vote. All members present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S HEARING: President reported that she had received a text from Kim Baker thanking the Village for spreading the rock in the parking lot across from the Boardwalk. President will relay the message to Dan.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: Communication has been received from IML regarding the repeal of the statewide Grocery Sales Tax effective January 1, 2026. President is not sure the Village currently has this tax. If we do not wish to impose a grocery sales tax locally after the statewide expiration, no action is required. If we choose to implement tax at a later date, ordinances authorizing local taxes must be sent to IDOR and postmarked before April 1 for collections to begin on July 1 of the same year or postmarked after April 1 but before October for collections to begin on January 1 of the following year. President contacted Legal Counsel, and he advised the Makanda Country Store is probably currently paying the higher general sales tax rate of 6.25% or higher. It was mentioned that Apple Creek Golf Course are probably paying this as well. After discussion the Board chose not to implement the 1% local grocery sales tax at this time.

CLERK:

TRUSTEES: Trustee Hilliard reported that Illini is scheduled to work on the Village roads on September 5th, weather permitting. President has posted a notice at the Post Office and Trustee Ross has posted it on the Makanda Happenings web site. Trustee Hilliard will meet with the foreman before hand and inspect the roads when the work is done. Trustee Dalton reported there has been two individuals in a two-tone blue pickup truck driving slowly and acting suspiciously on Church Street.

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 Ross. 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: President received an email from Beck Simonds regarding culvert that was put in on Hartline Road without a permit back in March and asked if the Village had recently removed it. She responded that the Village did remove culvert to do ditching and prepare road for oil and chip to be done this Friday, September 5. Shannon, with Apple Creek Golf Course, was advised back in March this would be done if paperwork was not completed before oil and chip in the fall. Suggested they might want to complete required paperwork and turn in before Board meeting for approval and then put in new culvert before oil and chip on Friday. We are concerned that oil and chip will be damaged if done afterward. Paperwork was submitted earlier today and presented to the Board for approval. Permit application was approved upon Dan meeting with E.T. Simonds and Shannon of Apple Creek to discuss metal culvert to be installed. Trustee Wolff volunteered to attend the meeting if needed.

Trustee Ross shared photos of a culvert on Crackers Neck, that is blocked by mud on one end. She advised that it needed to be cleaned out.

D. Subdivision Committee:

E. Insurance Committee:

F. Playground Committee: President advised that new mulch was placed at playground August 6.

Playground Committee will need to meet this month for inspection of playground.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

A. Emergency Disaster Committee: Clerk advised that Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District will be offering CPR/First Aid/AED training in November. Clerk will coordinate training for the Emergency Disaster Committee.

B. Special Events Committee:

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS: President advised Board the Village paid 2024 taxes on new property purchases as stated in the Sales Agreement. Amount paid on Barnett property was \$101.12 and \$51.85 on Newsome property.

NEW BUSINESS:

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS: Honey Festival is September 6th.

Rural School Reunion potluck will be held on September 27th at Christian Youth Camp on Church Camp Road. Doors open at 11:00 a.m.

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 8:24 p.m.

Leslie Yambert, Village Clerk

Tina Shingleton, President