

Village Hall
221 First Street
Andalusia, Il. 61232

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANDALUSIA
ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

May 18, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees met in a public meeting on Monday May 18, 2026 at the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by President Pittard at 7:00 pm. He led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: President Pittard, Trustee Finley, Trustee Kelly, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Lueker, Trustee Melody, Trustee Kensinger

Absent: None

TRUSTEE LUEKER MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 4, 2026 BOARD MEETING. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY. VOICE VOTE.

AYE: Trustee Kelly, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Finley, Trustee Lueker, Trustee Melody, Trustee Kensinger

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 – 0

TRUSTEE KENSINGER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS FOR MAY 18, 2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,777.22 SECONDED BY TRUSTEE LUEKER. VOICE VOTE

AYE: Trustee Kelly, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Finley, Trustee Lueker, Trustee Melody, Trustee Kensinger

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 – 0

GENERAL FUND	\$	5,345.27
GARBAGE FUND	\$	8,650.20
POLICE DEPT FUND	\$	243.31
VILLAGE PARK FUND	\$	21.98

TRUSTEE FINLEY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER REPORT FOR APRIL 2026. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE YAKOVICH. VOICE VOTE.

AYE: Trustee Kelly, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Finley, Trustee Lueker, Trustee Melody, Trustee Kensinger

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 – 0

Treasurer Powell reported that 2 CDs will be up in June and 1 CD will be up in July. She asked the Trustees how they want to handle them. We have several TIF obligations that we will need to cover once the work is done. The Trustees are prepared to cash a CD in order to cover them in the event that multiple invoices are received. The hope is that we won't need to touch the CDs and can pay the invoices with cash on hand.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets & Alleys: Justin Parchert reported that he got 2 bids for the concrete work on 7th Avenue East. Taylor Ridge Paving came in as the low bid. Justin recommended that the Trustees accept the low bid.

TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID FROM TAYLOR RIDGE PAVING FOR THE CONCRETE PROJECT ON 7TH AVENUE EAST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,500.00. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE YAKOVICH. VOICE VOTE.

AYE: Trustee Kelly, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Finley, Trustee Lueker, Trustee Melody, Trustee Kensinger

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 – 0

Finance & Audit: Mayor Pittard instructed Treasurer Powell to balance out 3 of the funds that are in the negative. The Audit, IMRF and Social Security funds will be brought to balance for the new fiscal year.

Buildings & Grounds: Trustee Yakovich reported that Justin has been doing Harbor work. He commented that the Harbor Park looks good. The mowing also looks good.

Justin has been working on the slope on the dike to make mowing easier. He will be seeding afterwards.

Harbor: Trustee Kelly reported that the broken dock is back together and looks good.

He also asked if Justin could put a couple of tables down on the point for the fishermen. Justin will do that once he is done with his harbor project.

Parks & Recreation: Trustee Lueker reported that the Lion's Park looks good. The ballfield looks well taken care of.

Police: Trustee Finley reported that cars have begun being stolen again in Mercer County. Justin reported that Turkey Hollow Road was also hit. Lock your stuff up.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Village Clerk: Clerk Hoffman prepared the expenditures for the 4th quarter of the last fiscal year. We were on target except for the engineering. She uses the expenditure list as a starting point for preparing the Appropriations Ordinance.

Clerk Hoffman prepared the Appropriations Ordinance for the new fiscal year. If the Trustees don't have any changes to make, it will be on the agenda for June 2, 2026 for the 1st reading.

Clerk Hoffman sat through a presentation with TextMyGov. This is communication software that would allow the Village to send out text alerts to our residents in one step. The cost is \$2200 per year with an \$1100 start-up fee, that can be negotiated down a little. The Trustees asked Clerk Hoffman to research other companies that offer similar services and report back.

Public Works Director: Justin Parchert is planning to attend a meeting with the IDOT regarding the Andalusia Road Project.

Justin has a meeting with the Corps coming up. He will be meeting with their design Architect with the possibility of them putting in a wing dam by our Harbor entrance to help keep the silt out. Justin is also looking to remove some of the silt from the dredge pit. The Corps has expressed interest in removing a little more silt from our Harbor mouth.

Justin has gotten the Kabota working. It was out of time.

Mayor: Mayor Pittard asked the Trustees how much they would be interested in spending for the fireworks in September. We would like to spend a little more this year in celebration of the 250th anniversary of our country's independence. We usually spend \$5,000.00 but this year the Trustees authorized \$8,500.00.

Mayor Pittard is still working on getting regulation information for the e-bikes and electric scooters. 2 young men were riding their scooters down the middle of Andalusia Road over the weekend. This is not only illegal but extremely dangerous.

E-Bikes are NOT allowed on the walk path on top of the flood dike. Motorized vehicles of every kind are not allowed on the walk path or the dike with the exception of the Village Maintenance Department for repairs or maintenance.

Old Business: The Trustees circled back to Tyler Kargls request to build a new shed on his property. The proposed shed will be larger than average. There have been no objections from the neighbors at this time.

TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO ALLOW TYLER KARGL TO INSTALL AN OVERSIZED SHED ON HIS PROPERTY. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE KENSINGER. VOICE VOTE.

AYE: Trustee Kelly, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Finley, Trustee Lueker, Trustee Melody, Trustee Kensinger

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 – 0

New Business: Erika Runge is purchasing a home in Andalusia. She has 4 potbelly pigs. They are spayed and neutered. She said they are not food; they are pets.

She asked the Trustees for a permit to allow them in the Village. After some discussion, the trustees agreed to issue a permit if her neighbors sign off on them.

TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO ISSUE A PERMIT TO ERIKA RUNGE TO ALLOW HER TO HARBOR 4 POTBELLY PIGS AS LONG AS THE NEIGHBORS SIGN OFF ON IT AND SHE ACQUIRES NO MORE THAN THE 4 POTBELLY PIGS SHE HAS. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE KENSINGER. VOICE VOTE.

AYE: Trustee Kelly, Trustee Yakovich, Trustee Finley, Trustee Lueker, Trustee Melody, Trustee Kensinger

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6 – 0

Citizen Comments: Bill Campbell is building a bridge over the ditch at his niece's home. He wanted to make sure the Village is okay with it. The Village told him that as long as it doesn't interfere with drainage or plow trucks, then he is welcome to build it.

TRUSTEE FINLEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:40 PM.

Minutes written by:

Shelly Hoffman, Village Clerk