

VILLAGE OF PAWNEE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of January 27, 2025

Call to Order:

- President Clarke called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Roll Call:

- Village Clerk, Devona Martin called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Dale Walters, Phillip Thompson, Troy Grant, Patrick Murphy, David Skinner, Erika Guess
- Trustees Absent:
- Also in attendance: Attorney Don Cravens, Treasurer Brent Wise, Chief Barclay Harris, Jeff Schober, Cindy Ladage

Visitor's Recognition/Comments:

- Cindy Ladage appeared before the Board. She writes about businesses in Pawnee. She provided an update on what she has reported on over the last year. She also provided some of her upcoming interviews. The consensus was she would do it another year.

Clerk's Report:

- Minutes of January 13, 2025 were presented for review and approval
Motion made by Trustee Murphy to approve the minutes of January 13, 2025 as presented
Second made by Trustee Skinner
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Trustee Skinner presented the bills payable for the week ending January 27, 2025 in the amount of \$68,971.23.
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve the bills payable for the week ending January 27, 2025 in the amount of \$68,971.23
Second made by Trustee Murphy
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)
- Treasurer Brent Wise presented the Monthly Budget Comparison Report for the Month Ending December 31, 2024
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve the Monthly Budget Comparison Report for the Month Ending December 31, 2024
Second made by Trustee Murphy
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Walters

- Trustee Walters advised the Board that 65 red letters went out on January 21st. He advised that on Sunday, Jan 19th, they had a water main break that took 7 hrs to repair.
- Trustee Walters advised they are maintaining gas pressure currently. Low temperatures can affect this.
- Trustee Walters advised they had an inspection by GUA – Gas Utility Alliance. They found no issues. Everything was good.
- Trustee Walters advised there are some projects that they will talk about in the upcoming weeks.
- Trustee Skinner advised that Otter Lake is going to cellular meter readers and will be getting rid of all their radio meter readers. We are still using radio meter readers. We will ask if we can have them if they are going to throw them away.
- Discussed the training/CDL ordinance. Trustee Walters asked about the probationary period not starting until after all their training is completed, which could take up to a year. He thinks starting probationary period a year after you've started seems odd and should begin immediately. Trustee Murphy advised he agrees, but from a personnel reason. The consensus was this should be changed. Trustee Walters also asked about being hired and losing their CDL. Trustee Murphy discussed being more specific on consequences if after employment, an employee would lose their CDL for various reasons. There are several changes we will make. Trustee Walters will work with Treasurer Brent Wise on changes.

Streets, Alley and Sidewalk Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Grant

- Jeff Schober advised they have been hauling millings. He also advised they are working on taking down the Christmas lights.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- No report

Sewers and Parks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- No report

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Murphy

- Trustee Murphy advised they are having a zoning board meeting on Feb 18 at 7pm to give adequate notice to everyone that needs to be here. The purpose is a request for zoning variance for Sean Oliver for a 40' x 60' shed in the Lemons Hill area.

Bargaining Committee Report: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- No report

Energy Committee Report: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- No report

Infrastructure Committee Report: Committee Chair, President Clarke

- No report

Unfinished Business:

- Fireworks discussion. President Clarke advised he thinks Section 296 under permissible display hours should be change. Currently, it is 7pm – 11pm. He stated it is not even dark until 9pm. He thinks it should be changed to 8:30pm – 11pm or 9pm – 11pm. Consensus was 8:30pm – 11pm. Permits will be required on more commercial fireworks or those with boards. We will have Attorney Cravens move forward with the ordinance.

New Business:

- None

Motion to Exit Regular Session: 7:33pm

- **Motion** made by Trustee Murphy to go out of regular and into executive for personnel
Second made by Trustee Walters
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Motion to Enter Executive Session: 7:34pm

- **Motion** made by Trustee Skinner to enter executive session for personnel
Second made by Trustee Murphy
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Motion to Exit Executive Session: 7:45pm

- **Motion** made by Trustee Murphy to exit executive session
Second made by Trustee Walters
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Motion to Re-Enter Regular Session: 7:45pm

- **Motion** made by Trustee Skinner to re-enter regular session
Second made by Trustee Murphy
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

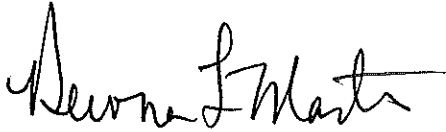
Motion to Adjourn:

- **Motion** made by Trustee Murphy to adjourn
Second made by Trustee Skinner

Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (6-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm on Monday, January 27, 2025. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, February 10, 2025 at the Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Devona Martin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end.

Devona Martin
Village Clerk