

VILLAGE OF PAWNEE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of May 12, 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
- Trustees Absent: Erika Guess
- Also in attendance: Attorney Don Cravens, Andy Lee, Jay Smith with Locals, Chief Barclay Harris

Visitor's Recognition/Comments:

- Jay Smith appeared before the Board. They were approached by people in Chatham and would like them to do a SXS ride for them for incident that occurred 2 weeks ago. The date is July 19, 2025. They will leave at 10am and return later in the afternoon. Consensus was to allow.

Clerk's Report:

- Minutes of April 28, 2025 were presented for review and approval
Motion made by Trustee Murphy to approve the minutes of April 28, 2025 as presented
Second made by Trustee Skinner
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: (5-0)

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Trustee Skinner presented the bills payable for the week ending May 12, 2025 in the amount of \$187,668.22
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve the bills payable for the week ending May 12, 2025 in the amount of \$187,668.22
Second made by Trustee Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: (5-0)

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Walters

- Trustee Walters advised that we had the water tower tank cleaning scheduled and Andy Lee had reached out to Otter Lake to bring the tank up to level. Otter Lake wanted us to reschedule but we were already 7yrs from our last cleaning. When the company got here, they could not clean because the tank level was not high enough. The cleaning company billed us over \$2K for the travel time. Trustee Walters will reach out to Otter Lake and then Trustee Skinner will discuss with them tomorrow evening. Andy Lee will then reach out to reschedule the cleaning.

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

- Trustee Grant advised that Jeff and Tim are finishing weed eating and patching roads for the parade route and square.

- Resolution 25-03 – Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code in the amount of \$163,000
- **Motion** made by Trustee Thompson to approve Resolution 25-03 – Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code in the amount of \$163,000
Second made by Trustee Murphy
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: (5-0)

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Chief Barclay Harris presented the Monthly Police Report
Motion made by Trustee Skinner to approve Chief Barclay Harris's Monthly Police Report
Second made by Trustee Murphy
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: (5-0)
- Trustee Skinner advised that he has been asked about Divernon's new police contract that was just signed. They are paying their guys \$30/hr no matter tenure and a \$600/mo for benefits.
- President Clarke advised that we received a \$48K retention grant. Attorney Cravens advised we spread it around the current employees to entice them to stay. We have 3yrs to spend it.

Sewers and Parks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- No report

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Murphy

- Trustee Murphy advised we have 4 new building permits. He is still working on the zoning revisions. He is also meeting with Locals after the meeting to discuss a shed they want to install behind Locals.

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:

- No report

New Business:

- Trustee Murphy swore in new board members President Clarke, Trustee Skinner, Trustee Thompson, and Trustee Walters.

Motion to Adjourn:

- **Motion** made by Trustee Skinner adjourn
Second made by Trustee Walters

Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Skinner-yes
Motion Carried: (5-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:21pm on Monday, May 12, 2025. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at the Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Devona Martin", with a stylized, cursive script.

Devona Martin
Village Clerk