

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**

AUGUST 19, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees met in a public meeting on Monday August -5, 2024 at the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by President Andrew Pittard at 7:00 pm. He led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: President Andrew Pittard, Trustee Kensinger, Trustee Finley, Trustee Kelly, Trustee Brackney, Trustee Morrow, Trustee Melody

Absent: None

**TRUSTEE MELODY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE
AUGUST 5, 2024 BOARD MEETING. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE FINLEY. VOICE
VOTE.**

AYE: Trustee Finley, Trustee Kelly, Trustee Brackney, Trustee Kensinger, Trustee Morrow, Trustee Melody

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0

**TRUSTEE KENSINGER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS FOR AUGUST
19, 2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,859.84. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MELODY.
VOICE VOTE.**

AYE: Trustee Finley, Trustee Kelly, Trustee Brackney, Trustee Kensinger, Trustee Morrow, Trustee Melody

NAY: NONE

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0

GENERAL FUND	\$	5,381.17
CIVIL DEFENSE FUND	\$	99.35
GARBAGE FUND	\$	8,049.75
POLICE DEPT FUND	\$	157.38
COMMUNITY CENTER PARK FUND	\$	172.19

8-5-24: JUSTIN PARCHERT, OT BILLED TO ILLINOIS AMERICAN WATER \$225.00

8-5-24: TAYLOR RIDGE PAVING, BB COURT & SEAL COAT \$17,350.00

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets & Alleys: Nothing to report

Finance & Audit: Trustee Kensinger reported that a few of our CD's is expiring. The Trustees discussed the options on rolling them over, taking a couple out to cover a portion of the Fancy Creek Road Rehab Phase 3 project, or look around at other banks to see if we could get a better interest rate.

In the end, the Trustees all agreed that Treasurer Powell will roll over the one CD that comes due on September 1st but that there will be further discussion at the next regular meeting regarding the other CD's.

Buildings & Grounds: Nothing to report

Harbor: Nothing to report

Parks & Recreation: Nothing to report

Police: There was a report of two missing children that Justin was able to provide camera footage to the Sheriff's Department with regards to the case. The cameras have been a great investment for the Village.

The first annual "Night out Against Crime" held by the Rock Island Sheriff's Department and Andalusia Fire Protection District was a huge success. It was held at the Lion's Park and the attendance was fantastic. The hope is that the Sheriff's Dept will hold their annual event at the Lion's Park in Andalusia from now on.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Village Clerk: Clerk Hoffman reported that the audit is on-going. The auditors have not come out to the Village Hall as of yet, but Clerk Hoffman has sent over a huge number of documents through email.

Public Works Director: Justin Parchert reported that he has been in touch with our engineers regarding the Fancy Creek Road Rehab Phase 3 project. The hope is to go out for bid this fall.

He has also said that the engineers should be out soon to start the seawall project now that the water is way down.

The asphalt project is on track to begin at the end of the month.

Justin has been researching prices on mini excavators. He explained that they cost at least \$60,000.

The burnt house on 1st street has been taken down by the homeowner.

Justin will be cleaning out the dredge pit. It needs to be emptied and dried out before the Corps of Engineers can get accurate measurements for dredging.

The fire hydrant by the school has been replaced.

Illinois American Water has contracted to do some line work up by the school. Justin assured the Board that he will not sign off on the job until everything is put back the way it was before the work started.

Mayor: Mayor Pittard reported that if the Village were to go with bonds for the Fancy Creek Road Rehab Phase 3 project we do not have to go to referendum as long as we can show the ability to pay the money back without raising taxes. The Village can use the CDs as collateral.

Treasurer Powell and Clerk Hoffman urged the Trustees to think hard before cashing in the CDs for this project. The CDs are earning money and once they're gone, they're gone. Trustee Brackney stated that the Trustees need to safeguard the CDs and that Fancy Creek Road is bleeding village funds.

There was a discussion regarding funding options for the Fancy Creek Road Rehab Phase 3 project. They talked about funding the entire project or using local funds (CDs) to cover 20 or 25 percent. Trustee Morrow mentioned putting a special assessment on the residents in Fancy Creek to help cover costs. There was an extensive conversation regarding funding options but in the end, the Trustees decided they need more information before making the decision. Clerk Hoffman was instructed to contact Mike Bell and John Vezzetti and invite them both to the October 7, 2024 Board Meeting.

Citizen Comments: Noting to report

TRUSTEE BRACKNEY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE KENSINGERTO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:10 PM.

Minutes written by:

Shelly Hoffman, Village Clerk