6:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, the regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Newbold. A roll call was answered aye by Trustees Feder, Kearns, Stoops, Geppert, Fitzgerald and Heinecke. Also present were Chris Remick, Superintendent of Public Works, Tim Buehler, Chief of Police and Officer Jason Berry.

VISITORS

Mark Schreder, Edwin Cockrell, Jr., and Bill Wilson

Edwin Cockrell, Jr. asked the Board about using the city park where the stage is, for summer activities. He stated that he and a few other people were thinking about doing Food Truck Fridays and movies nights at the park. Trustee Feder asked who was going to get the liability insurance. Cockrell thought that the Village could help with some of this and he is also going to talk to the different organizations in town. Trustee Kearns suggested the Village wave any park rental fees. Feder asked Cockrell if his group was wanting the Village to put this on and he and his group run it. Mayor Newbold suggested to discuss further with the Park Committee.

READING THE JOURNAL(MINUTES)

The minutes from the May 5, 2025, Regular Board Meeting was presented to the Board for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Stoops, to approve the minutes from the May 5, 2025, Regular Board Meeting, as presented. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

The minutes from the May 5, 2025, Annual Board Meeting was presented to the Board for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Stoops, to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2025, Annual Board Meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

The minutes from the April 28, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting were presented to the Board for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Stoops, to approve the minutes from the April 28, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

MAYOR

Mayor Newbold mentioned that we have a report that needs to be completed regarding COVID money that the Village received a few years ago.

VILLAGECLERK

Nancy presented the Board with the new rates and renewal for Delta Dental, which is the employee dental plan.

A motion was made by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Heinecke, to approve the Delta Dental renewal and rates. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

Nancy mentioned that Scheffel Boyle will be doing the annual audit this year, beginning June 9th.

TREASURER’STIME

The Treasurer presented the Board with the April Treasurer’s report.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder, seconded by Trustee Geppert, to approve the April Treasurer’s report. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

POLICECHIEF

Chief Buehler noted that the activity log for the first half of the month has been submitted.

The Chief discussed the vehicle tow fees and asked if the Board is going to allow the department to go forward with the tow fees and having the attorney do the hearings at Village Hall. There was a discussion regarding whether it would be cost-effective to do this. It was decided to discuss this issue further at the next Committee of the Whole Meeting on May 27, 2025.

A motion was made by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Stoops, to table deciding on the tow fees ordinance, which is section 41.190, of the Village Code, and to discuss further at the next Committee of the Whole Meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

Chief Buehler said that the racetrack is doing an Indy car race on June 15th and local police departments are allowed to do a lap before the race. He stated that Sgt Renner did this last year, and Officer Berry would like to participate this year. Buehler stated that he may do it as well. The Board was all in agreement that it would not be a problem.

The Clerk mentioned that the attorney put a lien on 501 S. Market St. for 2024 unpaid mowing fees. The owner was billed $350.00 for the year and had not paid so the bill was turned over to attorney.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS

Chris Remick stated that a representative from IDOT and Dave Ogle from Volkert will be going through the punch list for the Spotsylvania St. project this Wednesday.

REPORTOFSTANDINGCOMMITTEES

STREETS AND ALLEYS

Nothing to report.

FINANCE AND AUDIT

Nothing to report.

WATERANDSEWER

Nothing to report.

PERSONNEL

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PARKS

Chris Remick noted that the pickleball courts have been completed.

CEMETERY

Trustee Newbold mentioned that he had several complaints regarding how bad the cemetery looks. He noted that they are working on it.

ORDINANCE

Trustee Kearns said that he would like to table the vote on abolishing the ordinance book and would like to discuss this at the next committee of the whole meeting.

Trustee Fitzgerald wanted to know which ordinances were going to be discussed or changed. It was decided to discuss the zoning code and the tow fees.

A motion was made by Trustee Kearns, seconded by Trustee Stoops, to table abolishing the ordinance book and to discuss this matter further at the next committee of the whole meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

There was a discussion regarding the missing derelict vehicle ordinance in the new book. Chief Buehler stated that it was in the old book under a different section. CivicPlus said they could add the information from the old book if we send what needs to be added.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder, seconded by Trustee Stoops, to have CivicPlus add the derelict vehicle ordinance to the new ordinance book with the correct section number. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

IMPROVEMENTS AND GRANTS

Trustee Stoops said he is in the process of reviewing the T-Mobile grant.

PUBLIC SAFETY/ADA

Nothing to report.

MARINA

Trustee Geppert asked when the scrap at the marina was going to be moved. Trustee Feder said he hopes to have it moved soon.

Trustee Heinecke asked if the Village was going to get rid of the boat slips. Remick stated that he plans to keep them.

Remick noted that the EPA came to check if there was asbestos at the marina. He will have a full report later.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Nothing to report.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS AND ORDINANCES

Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Geppert, seconded by Trustee Heinecke, to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

 Steve Newbold, Village President

Nancy Ritter, Village Clerk