

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF MACON)
VILLAGE OF BLUE MOUND)

REGULAR MEETING
August 4, 2025

The Board of Trustees met in Regular Session for the Year-end Meeting on Monday, August 4, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by President Scott Younger. Roll call indicated the following Board Members present:

Trustees: Jeanette Crackel, Rick Moma, Terre Moma, Phil Jacobs, and Jeff Reed Jr..
President: Scott Younger
Employees: Charlie Stickel, Chief Chad Lamb, Mackenzie Reed, Katie Nashland
Attorney: Absent
Visitors: Angie Ervin, Levi Hedges, Representative from Decatur Public Transit

After the meeting was called to order and attendance recorded, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comments

- Angie Ervin was present to discuss selling the business Dippin Mervs. She needs to know if she is selling the whole building or not. If she advertises the whole building, the Village needs to discuss where they would move. Angie was reminded that the business has to be sold as a leasee.
- Levi Hedges was present to discuss the Fall Festival. States roads would be blocked starting 8/5 with rides going up on the same day. States the rides will be inspected daily. Golf cart parking is on College St in front of the Methodist Church.
- A representative with Decatur Public Transit was present to present a new microtransit option called Decatur Moves. This is a service that is beginning in rural communities starting September 15, 2025, that offers pick-up at home or anywhere. It is a curb-to-curb service. Users are encouraged to download the Decatur Moves App in order to schedule a service. A ride is \$5.00 one way and rides run from 5am-8pm with 25 available Transit vans that are wheelchair accessible. There is no fee for the village as this is a federally funded service.

Minutes were distributed and reviewed for the Regular Meeting held on July 7, 2025. **Jeannette Crackel made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Jeff Reed Jr seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes.**

Executive Minutes were distributed and reviewed for the Regular Meeting held on July 7, 2025. **Jeff Reed Jr made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Terre Moma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes.**

Treasurers Report was presented by **Mackenzie Reed** indicating balances of each account, final total of bills that were paid in July 2025, and bills to be paid in August 2025. Mackenzie also informed the board of the following:

- Total cash deposits totaling \$5,545.00.
- 4 customers' water was shut off for the month of July 2025, due to non-payment of their water bill. A \$35.00 Reconnect Fee was applied to each of their accounts for a total amount of \$140.00.
- There were 500 water bills sent out totalling \$27,016.61. At the time of the meeting, 29 shut offs were scheduled for 8/6.
- Board Members were reminded that the \$10 late fee went into effect and is noted on the water bills.
- Mackenzie is looking at making an appointment with a firm who helps with the legalities of shredding documents. Certain forms have certain timelines that must be followed.
- Mackenzie would like to create an application for new customers who are getting service that can be scanned into the Village system with all of the customers information for easy access.
- Raising the building permit was discussed and tabled until the next meeting.

Attorney Not Present, but Information sent to Scott

- Brad Damery is scheduled back in court on 8/16/25. The Village will pursue next steps after that seen as nothing has been done.
- The Eleanor Moma property discussion has been pushed back 30 days. Scott is considering purchasing the building.
- Lien for Susan Doyle property but it cannot be served as no one will answer.
- Jason Bleinser cannot be found in order to serve him for the trash at his car wash.

Public Works - Water/Sewer Report – presented by Charlie Stickel

- **July Projects**
 - July 1st: Picked up brush for the 4th of July
 - July 3rd: Located main break by the bank.
 - July 8th: Main break at 210 S St. Marie St
 - July 9th: Shut Offs then located water lines in park
 - July 10th: Culvert extension on S Lewis
 - July 11th: Shutoff replacement at 117 N Bolls then fixed the hit water line in the park
 - July 14th: Fixed main break at the bank
 - July 15th: Samples taken to Monticello from main break
 - July 16th: Second samples taken to Monticello from main break. Both samples passed
 - July 17th Brush pickup
 - July 18th: Uniforms arrived
 - July 24th: Used hydro ex to expose hydrant at park then Vermeer came o fix recall on hydro ex
 - July 25th: Chip hot spots in road
 - July 29th: Replace culvert on West St
 - July 31st: Purchased a sprayer for the sewer plant-duckweed covering lagoon surface

- **August Projects**

- Work on culvert on College St
- Replace non advancing meters
- Service line repair on Kathy Ct
- Work on misc work orders
- Install new meter pits
- Put meter on trailer 48
- Spray Weeds
- Work Alleys

- **Miscellaneous**

- Working with Mark Bingham on the Sewer Plant and lift station #2
- Quote for the new roof on the water plant from Trimble Construction is \$19, 235.00. **Phil Jacobs made a motion to accept the quote. Rick Moma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes.**
- Decals are being placed on truck

Police Report: a written Shift Detail Report distributed showing 294.2 hours for July.

Village of Blue Mound

Patrolling:	76 hrs. + 32 in-office hrs
Complaints :	7 ea.
Ordinance Violations:	0 ea.
Training :	0 hrs.

During the month of July, there were 2 domestic dispute/violence/trouble, 24 traffic stops, 2 motorist assist, 10 out of service, 3 police assists/another agency, 1 wanted person, 1 follow up investigation, 6 stationary radar/village limits, 2 check welfare/individuals.

- Shifts will be changing with school starting
- A couple days of training are scheduled.
- The Village has 2 new squad cars. The 2nd car needs some equipment fixed. The old squad cars will be put up for auction once the decals are removed.
- Don Cisco building by the railroad tracks. The attorney is going to send a direct letter to the railroad next month. The building is falling apart and the grass is overgrown.
- 421 S College property has been sold. However, Chief Lamb is going to send a notice to abate in regards to Dustin Clark's other property on Burgess St.

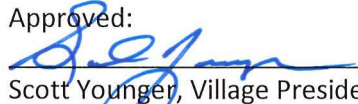
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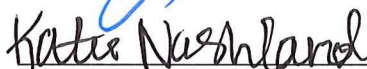
- The Grocery Tax is going away at the first of the year. The Village has until 10/1 to implement a new ordinance imposing it's own Grocery Tax of 1%. This will still go through the State of Illinois

At 8:7 p.m., Terre Moma made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Reed Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes. The meeting adjourned.

The next **Regular Board Meeting** will be Monday September 8, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Approved:



Scott Younger, Village President

Katie Nashland, Village Clerk