

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

REGULAR MEETING  
June 2, 2025

The Board of Trustees met in Regular Session for the Year-end Meeting on Monday, June 2, 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, Jeff Reed Jr., and Ross Carls  
President: Scott Younger  
Employees: Charlie Stickel, Chief Chad Lamb, Mackenzie Reed, Katie Nashland  
Attorney: Andrew Bourey  
Visitors: Jan Bandy

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

#### Public Comments

- Jan Bandy was present to voice concerns over a tree on her property at 257 Niles St. She is asking for this to be trimmed before it falls on her house. Additionally, the house to the West of Jan's property does not have a culvert anymore and her yard now floods when it rains. She would like to have a culvert again. Scott stated Jeff, Charlie, Chadd, and himself would look into what it would take in order for that to happen. Jan also mentioned a concern over Paula Kennedy's property where there are two trees that have branches falling on her roof and her car.

**Minutes** were distributed and reviewed for the Regular Meeting held on May 5, 2025. **Rick Moma made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Terre Moma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes.**

**Bills** to be paid in the amount of \$17,737.51 were presented to the Board members for their approval. **Rick Moma made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Ross Carls seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes.**

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

- Total cash deposits totaling \$4,149.75.
- 1 customers' water was shut off for the month of May 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 \$35.00.
- There were 501 water bills sent out that will be due on 6/15/2025, totalling \$28,725.39.
- 4 building permits for May 2025, totaling \$140.00

- Mackenzie will be attending an Administrative Conference July 17-18.

#### **Attorney Andy Bourey**

- The Brad Damery has court scheduled for June 24, 2025. The property at 101 S Prairie St. is showing signs of progress. Brad has paid his \$500 fine. Chief Lamb spoke with Brad again and explained to him what was needed and, since that point, Brad has started moving rock and loading trailers. Andy will check in with Scott two days before court.
- A Notice to Abate was sent to the property of Eleanor Moma in May 2025. No progress has been made. Andy is going to file a petition with the court.

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

- **May Projects**
  - No shut offs for the month of May
  - May 8th: Bulk water stuck open issue-solenoid was ordered
  - May 9th: F350 is having service-transmission issues. Taken to Bob Ridings for the issue and received a quote of \$1,037.00 to diagnose the problem. Village is going to get a second opinion.
  - May 12th: Service leak was repaired at 237 E Powers
  - May 13th: Shutoff valve was replaced at the coffee shop
  - May 16th: There were storms and the generators ran all night
  - May 19th: Brine pit sump pump had a failure, so the pump was replaced
  - May 20th: Water line leak in the plant and 8 feet of pipe was replaced
  - May 21st: Auto system maintenance-there is a bad rectifier (AC to DC). A part was ordered
  - May 22nd: Brush pickup. Nine loads were done
  - May 23rd: Read meters
  - May 28th: Rearrange and organize the water plant office. Got a computer for the Street Department
  - May 29th: Auto system is back online. Checked meters for leaks
  - June 2nd: Pleasantview Township helped patch the roads
  - A request to add lights at the water plant office
- **June Projects**
  - Bug spray calibration
  - Replace non advancing meters
  - PWS inspection scheduled for June 10th
  - Work on shop
  - Install offset on bulk water
  - Put meter on Trailer 48
  - Install new meter pits
  - Work alleys
- **Miscellaneous**

- Working with Mark Bingham on the Sewer Plant and lift station #2
- Looking for ways to build a water plant; it is getting bad
- Bucket truck and F250 have signs and are ready for bid
- Final tower walk-through was done with Chastains Engineering. There are small touch ups needed and things need cleaned up. They would like to credit the Village on the loan instead of Chastains doing it themselves. Total credit would be \$1,080.00.

**Police Report:** a written Shift Detail Report distributed showing 316.43 hours for May.

**Village of Blue Mound**

Patrolling:	94 hrs. + 31 in-office hrs
Complaints :	14 ea.
Ordinance Violations:	5 ea.
Training :	3hrs.

**During the month of May**, there were 26 traffic stops, 2 motorist assist, 1 traffic crash, 15 out of service, 1 follow up investigations, 19 stationary radar/village limits, 1 domestic dispute/violence/trouble, 1 wanted person.

- Chief Lamb stated he will be taking a few days off in June.
- They will be adding Saturday day shifts for the summer.
- No training is scheduled.
- Property violation at 404 N Railroad Ave. This is the car wash owned by Jason Blisener. He has been sent a letter, a message, and a ticket. Chief Lamb has not received a response and has not paid the ticket.
- Chief Lamb would like to add new committees and restructure the current ones. Committees are as follows:
  - Police Committee: Phil Jacobs and Jeanette Crackel
  - Street and Alley Committee: Ross Carls and Jeff Reed
  - Water and Sewer Committee: Jeff Reed and Terre Moma
  - Health and Safety Committee: Phil Jacobs and Terre Moma
  - Personnel Committee: Rick Moma and Jeanette Crackel
  - Finance Committee: Ros Carls and Rick Moma
- Chief Lamb voiced concerns over two properties:
  - Intersection of Burgess and Lewis. There is trash everywhere and it blows on the firehouse property. Vegetation is obstructing the view. The Village is going to find out

where the Village property starts to clean it up and also get a quote from Mark Bingham to survey

- Intersection of Bolls and Niles. The tree on the boulevard needs trimmed or torn out. The Village owns these. This is going to be re-visited at the July meeting.
- Chief Lamb noted 22 other Property Violations as of June 2, 2025

**At 7:20 p.m. Jeff Reed Jr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeanette Crackel seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes. The meeting adjourned**

Village Employees left the room

**At 7:20 p.m. Jeff Reed made a motion to open an Executive Session to discuss the 2025/2026 budget. Jeannette Crackel seconded the motion at. In a roll call vote, Jeff Reed Jr. Jeanette Crackel, Rick Moma, Ross Carls, Terre Moma, and Phil Jacobs voted in agreement.**

Employee salaries were passed around to the Board Members. After some discussion, it was agreed to give each full time employee a raise for the fiscal year 2025-2026.

The Working Budget for General, Police, Street, Water, and Sewer was passed around to the Board Members and reviewed, as was the new monthly premiums for the Village employees healthcare premiums. After discussion and review, the budgets were all agreed upon for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

**7:54 p.m. Terre Moma made a motion to exit the Executive Session and return to the Regular Board Meeting in order to accept the budget. Ross Carls seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Jeff Reed Jr. Jeanette Crackel, Rick Moma, Ross Carls, Terre Moma, and Phil Jacobs voted in agreement. The motion carried with unanimous consent.**

**Jeff Reed made a motion to accept the budget as presented. Rick Moma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all "Aye" votes.**

**At 7:55 p.m., Rick Moma made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Terre Moma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes. The meeting adjourned.**

The next **Regular Board Meeting** will be Monday July 7, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Approved:

  
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Scott Younger, Village President

  
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Katie Nashland, Village Secretary