

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

REGULAR MEETING
September 8, 2025

The Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, September 8, 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: Rick Moma, Jeanette Crackel, Jeff Reed Jr, Phil Jacobs, Terre Moma, Ross Carls
President: Scott Younger
Employees: Chadd Peden, Chief Chad Lamb, Mackenzie Reed, Katie Nashland
Attorney: Andy Bourey
Visitors: Greg Thiele, Aaron Moma, Levi Hedges

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

Public Comments- None

Minutes were distributed and reviewed for the Regular Meeting held on August 4, 2025. **Rick Moma made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Jeff Reed Jr 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 total \$3,730.25.
- There were 497 water bills sent out totaling \$28,111.45. At the time of the meeting, 27 shut offs were scheduled for 9/10.
- There were 3 building permits for a total of \$215.00.
- The Village received guidance from the Illinois Department of Revenue regarding the 1% Grocery Tax. It was suggested this get implemented as soon as possible. It needs to be turned into the Illinois Department of Revenue by 10/1/25.
 - Andy drew up a new ordinance for it. Ordinance 351.
 - **Rick Moma made a motion to accept the Grocery Tax Ordinance as presented. Jeanette Crackel seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes.**

Attorney

- The case with Eleanor Moma regarding the property located at 213 N. Railroad was dismissed under the assumption that the property is being sold and the new owner will take care of the falling brick issue. If the building does not sell and the repairs have not been made the case will be re-opened.
- The case with Jason Bliesner regarding the car wash located at 404 N. Railroad has been dismissed. The trash has been cleaned up, and Jason has tapped off the vacuum/garage area.

- Brad Damery's property at 101 S. Prairie has still not been resolved. Petition for Contempt being filed. Andy said next court date is scheduled for 10/21/25 but may have to be moved to sometime in November due to a possible scheduling conflict with the judge.
- Susan Doyle's property, located at 401 North Street, was served but there was no response, and the 30-day notice has expired. Andy is filing a motion for default.
- Don Cisco III leases his building and the railroad owns it. Andy is sending Don a letter regarding the issues with the structure.

Engineers

- The Village is holding back 20% due to lack of completion of the water tower

Public Works - Water/Sewer Report – presented by Chadd Peden

- **August Projects**
 - A meter was put on trailer 48. Suggested to bill the customer for replacing the meter seen as they were the ones who cut the line.
 - Lead and Copper samples taken
 - Replaced the culvert at 309 S College
 - Took cones and barricades to the park for the Fall Festival
 - Actively replacing non-advancing/reading meters
 - Water service to P&G and replaced the meter
 - Samples sent to Pace in Peoria
- **September Projects**
 - Replace non advancing meters
 - Move fill dirt pile from the shop to the sewer plant and dig up black dirt for top coating
 - Install offset on bulk water
 - Install new meter pits
 - Work on shop
- **Miscellaneous**
 - Working with Mark Bingham on the Sewer Plant and lift station #2
 - Roof work on water plant is scheduled for October
 - Start painting and restringing Christmas lights and order LED bulbs
 - Looking for ways to build a water plant as it is getting bad
 - It was decided that the trailer park will switch over to the main meter read. Scott will be getting a hold of Andy Bourey so he can notify the tenants that the Village will be switching.

Police Report: a written Shift Detail Report distributed showing 269.22 hours for July.

Village of Blue Mound

Patrolling:	158.35 hrs. + 71.42 in-office hrs
Complaints :	7 ea.
Ordinance Violations:	6 ea.
Training :	5 hrs.

During the month of August, there were 3 domestic dispute/violence/trouble, 22 traffic stops, 1 traffic crash, 8 out of service, 4 police assists/another agency, 3 follow up investigation, 22 stationary radar/village limits, 1 medical call EMS/assist, 2.5 hours for a school event.

- Training is scheduled for September for the new software.
- The speed sign is getting fixed.

Old Business

- The River Coffee Company has already completed the work with the TIF money. They are due a reimbursement of \$50,000.
 - The projected opening is 12/31/2025
 - If the business is not open by 12/31/2025, Aaron can present it to the board for an extension. A typical extension is 30-60 days.
 - **Phil Jacobs made a motion to accept Resolution #352 as presented. Terre Moma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes.**

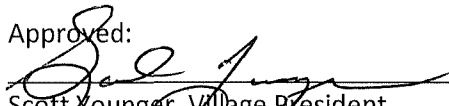
New Business

- There is a potential lease opportunity for the building Dippin Mervs is currently in. The owners of the Mexican restaurant Taqueria La Perlita are interested. They would like to know the lease amount. They also asked for permission to bring their food truck to town to try first. The owners would like to see how that goes before committing to leasing space. There is also TIF money available for upgrades if needed.
- The Meridian Ball Association asked for permission to hook a water hose up to spray down the field.

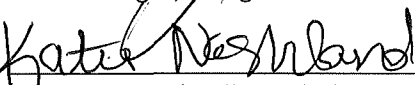
At 7:22 p.m., Jeff Reed Jr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ross Carls seconded the motion. The motion carried with all 'Aye' votes. The meeting was adjourned.

The next **Regular Board Meeting** will be on Monday October 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Approved:



Scott Younger, Village President



Katie Nashland, Village Clerk