

**VILLAGE OF LUDLOW
TRUSTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
LUDLOW COMMUNITY CENTER
August 12, 2025 7:00 P.M.**

Call to Order

Mayor Steve Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. and led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members of the Board Present: Brian Bina, John Curtis, Tom Fultz, Tharla Palumbo, K. Shedd, Marsha Spear.

Other Village Officials Present: Denita Cadman, Police; Rick Chenoweth, Water; Diane Michaels, Treasurer; Dawn Good-Adwell, Clerk.

Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of July 8, 2025, Trustee Regular Meeting
2. July 2025 Financial Reports
3. August Expense Reports

T. Fultz motioned to approve the consent agenda; second by M. Spear.

Roll Call Vote: Bina, Aye; Spear, Aye; Curtis, Aye; Fultz, Aye; Shedd, Aye; Palumbo, Aye.
Motion carried.

Public Address Regarding Pending Matters Before the Board

No members of the public present, no public comment.

Correspondence

No correspondence.

Reports

1. **Mayor:** Mayor Thomas had nothing to report.

2. **Police:** Chief J. Navarro not present; no report.

3. **Street & Water:** R. Chenoweth reported repairs were made to the dump truck (belts); the backhoe needs a tire replaced and the hydraulic lines for the boom need replaced; and a culvert replaced on S. Oak St (at cost to the owner). Past due water accounts were reviewed for disconnection.

4. **Zoning & Building:** B. Bina reported he received two permit applications for 32x32 garage on S. Orange St., and for a fence on S. Oak St. He also stated the Board should review the zoning ordinance for possible changes.

5. Clerk: D. Adwell reported she received and responded to four FOIA requests since last month; updated the board on the Ameren Energy Audit for the community center - LED light fixtures are already in use.

6. Treasurer: D. Michaels stated in reviewing budget categories there currently is not a reserve for "bad debt" in the budget and that should be added for losses incurred by unpaid water bills that are never collected. Also, customers are not charged a fee for returned checks and that should probably be updated in the water ordinance.

Discussion Items

1. Watermain Project: J. Curtis and R. Chenoweth reported SNC Construction has capped the old mains, removed the old hydrants; and must still repair or replace the hydrant under the water tower.

2. Distressed Properties: The board discussed 228 E. Thomas St. – a second inspection is pending.

3. Young Subdivision Update: The Clerk shared information received from C-U Public Health Department.

4. Return to Work Policy: the board reviewed and discussed; to be approved next month.

5. Mark LeClair, Water Department Licensed Operator's Contract – the IL EPA notified the Village that LeClair's contract expired in May, and a new contract was needed and sent to the IL EPA asap. The board discussed contract and the payment to LeClair.

Adjourn

K. Shedd motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by T. Palumbo. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm. The next regular Trustees Meeting will be September 9, 2025, at 7 P.M.

Dawn Good-Adwell, Clerk