

**VILLAGE OF LUDLOW BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 11, 2024 - 7:00 P.M.**

Call to Order

Mayor Steve Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members Present: Trustees Brian Bina, John Curtis, Tom Fultz, Kay Shedd, Marsha Spear, and Clerk Dawn Good-Adwell.

Also present:

Police: Chief Joe Navarro, Officer Denita Cadman

Water Dept: Rick Chenoweth

Approval of Consent Agenda

After reviewing the consent agenda items, M. Spear motioned to approve and second by J. Curtis.

1. Meeting Minutes:
May 14, 2024, Public Hearing and
May 14, 2024, Trustee's Regular Meeting
May 28, 2024, Special Meeting
2. May 2024 Financial Reports
3. June 2024 Expense Reports

Roll Call Vote: Bina - Aye; Curtis - Aye; Spear - Aye; Fultz, Aye; Shedd, Aye.

Motion carries 6-0.

Public Comments

Rita Phillips, the only resident or member of the public in attendance, asked questions about the water main project and the wastewater and sewage treatment facility study.

Correspondence

IL Municipal League – email re: ordinances setting the pay for elected officials.

IL Dept. of Natural Resources – letter requesting updated contact information for the National Flood Insurance Program.

Mediacom – notice of rate increases for schools and government agencies

Carol Chenoweth – letter informing of her intention to retire in near future, no specific date set, so that the mayor can begin looking for her replacement.

Reports

Mayor: Mayor reported on the recent CIMOA meeting he attended; and discussion with William Scott, attorney for Jack Young and heirs regarding their properties. Mayor Thomas has a recommendation for appointment of trustee to seat vacated by Paxton Palumbo earlier this year.

Police: Chief Navarro reported he has spoken to some of the young offenders and the parents about riding four wheelers around the village. Also assisted County Sheriff's on a report of theft.

Street: Ludlow Twp. Road District oil and chipped S. Orange, N Walnut, N. Locust streets and one block of Pera St.

Water: Rick presented water reports. J. Curtis reported a 6" drain tile was plugged and had to be jet washed; seems to be working ok.

Zoning: no report

Clerk/Treasurer Report: will be out of town the week of July 8th; the trustees can change the meeting date (action item below) or keep the meeting date and appoint a trustee to record the meeting minutes for the clerk. The trustees decided to keep the July 9th meeting date and appointed Trustee M. Spear to record the minutes.

Discussion Items

Water Main Project: J. Curtis reported that 17-meter pits were left out of the Phase 2 plans, a cost (shortfall) of \$45,000. Trustees discussed requesting a project meeting between the Village officers, Fehr Graham Engineering, SNC Construction, and the USDA Rural Development specialist. Clerk Adwell will try to arrange a meeting.

Town Clean Up: Trustees made final plans for the event; July 13th from 8 am – 2 pm at the Community Center.

Distressed Properties: Trustees discussed what actions have been taken on the following:

- 200 block of E. Thomas St. - two properties, one destroyed by fire (no response from owner) and the other derelict (going to court soon).
- 100 block of N. Orange St. - one derelict property (recently sold & some cleanup done) and a burned-out mobile home (no response).
- 100 block of N. Hickory St. - needing mowed; weeds waist high.
- 100 block of N. Oak St. (someone is rehabilitating).

Trustee Vacancy – Mayor Thomas will appoint Tharla Palumbo next month, with consent of the Village trustees, to seat vacated by Paxton Palumbo, her son. Thomas has spoken with her, and she is interested in the position; she currently serves on the Ludlow School Dist. 142 board.

Action Items

July Meeting Date Change: Since the trustees wish to keep the July 9th meeting date, T. Fultz motioned to table this item; seconded by M. Spear.

Roll Call Vote: Bina - Aye; Curtis - Aye; Spear - Aye; Fultz, Aye; Shedd, Aye.

Motion carries 6-0.

Adjourn

K. Shedd motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by M. Spear. All in favor; meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM. The next Regular Trustees Meeting will be July 9, 2024, at 7 p.m.

Dawn Good-Adwell, Clerk