

Village of New Berlin Board Meeting Minutes

6:02 pm on Aug. 20, 2025

Audience Attendees: Drew Burger, Dana Cisek, Joe Cizek, Jim Clayton, Maggie Duckworth, and Sarah Pointer

Additional Attendees: Treasurer Casey Binkley, Clerk Debbie Lakamp, Police Chief Terry Nydegger, Amanda Lazzara (Deputy Clerk).

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order by Mayor Krall at 6:02 p.m.

Roll Call:

Trustee Spalding—Absent

Trustee Synder-Yes

Mayor Mike Krall-Yes

Trustee Lokaitis—Yes

Trustee Morris—Yes

Trustee Knox—Yes

Trustee Casson—Yes

Guest: David Timm (R) , a candidate for Sangamon Co. Sheriff addressed the Board members and audience, shared his background and vision for the department concluding by taking questions.

Audience: Audience members asked if an additional toddler swing could be added to the park. Trustee Synder replied in the affirmative. There were some questions regarding the church and Village discussion of a possible building purchase. The process to date was detailed by Mayor Krall. Speeding concerns on Birch Street were noted. A speed bump will be reviewed.

Clerk: Reminded Board of agenda deadlines.

Police: Written Report. Chief Nydegger reported the Village received \$230 in fines from the Circuit Clerk's Office. The New Berlin Police Department assisted Loami with fireworks, trained on tasker usage and traffic incident management. The Chief will bring pricing on squad cars to the September meeting.

Motion: Move to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved by: Trustee Morris

Seconded by: Trustee Lokaitis

Motion carries.

Trustee Sue Spalding- Absent

Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes

Trustee Greg Lokaitis—Yes

Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes

Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes

Trustee Norman Casson—Yes

Committee Reports

Utilities—Written Report. There have been challenges with the SE Lift Station. All lift stations have been treated for grease. The bulk water tank has a leak that will be identified and fixed. There was 108,000 gallons of water used to help put out the fire in Sheppard's Salvage Yard.

Internet—No Report

Streets & Parks—Written Report. The handicap swing has been hung at the park. Audience members hesitated about stop sign removal. It will be evaluated. Village sidewalks have been viewed and rated so we can prioritize how to use sidewalk budget. A concern about the sidewalk in front of the school making a jog and the walk seeming wavy were discussed. Due to sewer these items may be the best possible solutions are status quo. However, Village engineers will be consulted for final thoughts.

TIF-

Motion: To approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of New Berlin and West Sangamon Public Library District for library air conditioning.

Moved by: Trustee Synder Seconded by: Trustee Morris
Motion carries.

Trustee Sue Spalding- Absent	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Greg Lokaitis—Yes	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Norman Casson—Yes

Motion: To approve Mike Clayton’s TIF application for \$18,137 to repair brick work and interior updates and air conditioning of upstairs apartments in the district.

Moved by: Trustee Synder Seconded by: Trustee Lokaitis
Motion carries.

Trustee Sue Spalding- Absent	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Greg Lokaitis—Yes	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Norman Casson—Yes

Motion: To approve Sarah Pointer’s TIF application to replace the wood foundation and fascia of the storage units at Illinois & Cedar at a cost of \$1,706.36.

Moved by: Trustee Synder Seconded by: Trustee Morris
Motion carries.

Trustee Sue Spalding- Absent	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Greg Lokaitis—Yes	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Norman Casson—Yes

Motion: To approve Sarah Pointer’s TIF application to replace the springs of the roll up doors at the Jo Max Storage, 105 N Olive St for \$4,830. And the driveway repair for of the same address for \$1,500. The total request is for \$6,330.

Moved by: Trustee Casson Seconded by: Trustee Synder
Motion carries.

Trustee Sue Spalding- Absent	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Greg Lokaitis—Yes	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Norman Casson—Yes

Finance—

Treasurer Binkley reported that the Village is still looking for an auditor. The General Fund is still not balanced. The next call to move forward on the March balance issues is scheduled for Sept. 17 with Locis. The MFT Fund was moved to Alliance Bank.

Health & Safety-

76 Frank St—Qualifies as abandoned and unsafe.

58 Bourbaki—Have requested title work. Have asked USDA to see interior.

60 Frank—possible short sale

Board consensus for police department for new and refurbished radar system.

Personnel—No report

Old Business—No Report

New Business—No Report

Liquor- No Report

Motion: To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Morris

Seconded by: Trustee Lokaitis

Motion Carries. Adjournment at 7:32 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Lakamp
Village Clerk