# Village of Oakley

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July 8, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Trustee Scheuneman, Trustee Kelly, Trustee T. Fish, President Fish, and Clerk Hart were present. Trustee Schrems and Treasurer Yaros were absent.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept the agenda, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept the June minutes, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

Scheuneman made a motion to accept the Police report, seconded by T. Fish. Motion carried.

#### DPW/Wastewater

The Woodard Street Road project is still projected to start July 28. Consumers will be doing their right of way tree trimming soon. A dot means a trim and an x means the tree is being removed. Fish said there is nothing the village can do about this.

The heat has been affecting the quality of water at the lagoons. Fish is seeing a lot of grease at the pump station, which is new.

## **Guest Speakers**

None

#### **Old Business**

Clerk Hart informed the council that the YMCA is back this summer handing out food bags to school aged children. They meet at the hall Tuesdays from 12-12:45.

Clerk Hart informed the council that she sent out chicken permits and a copy of the ordinance to three households in the village.

Scheuneman has gotten an estimate for signs to be placed on the DPW truck. Graphic Kings is working on a mock up design for the village to approve. The cost will be \$50 for two reflective signs and \$30 if we choose the non-reflective signs.

#### **New Business**

The code enforcement officer, Dan McClelland has resigned.

President Fish informed the council that he hired Rodney Cantu to be the new Wastewater operator. Rodney comes from Chesaning and is certified. He will be a salaried employee making \$1500 a month. Rodney will also be responsible for mowing the grass at the lagoons.

Scheuneman made a motion to pay bills, seconded by Kelly. Motion carried.

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**Public Comment** 

Members of the audience spoke for an hour and 7 minutes.

President Fish started by saying he received a letter of resignation from Kirk Yaros. Fish said he might appoint a deputy treasurer in the meantime to help with the duties.

Members of the audience again expressed their concerns about Chief Ferguson and asked the council to make a motion to hold a special meeting and let the village residents decide if they want Chief Ferguson here.

Scheuneman stated that the members of the audience only make up part of the village and she has spoken to people who want the police here.

A resident who applied for employment asked what was happening with that. President Fish informed him that he would not be hired because he cannot get along with the public.

A resident informed the council that he spoke with the Chief of Police in Chesaning about extending their police force out to Oakley.

A resident requested that we use the speed signs.

Residents expressed concerns about blight at the marijuana grow facility.

President Fish said the Christmas tree lights still need to be restrung with new garland but right now the prices are high.

Residents expressed concerns about not receiving a sewer bill. President Fish said Yaros told him some bills were mailed separately from taxes and maybe there is a delay with the mail. Clerk Hart said she can print a new copy for anyone who needs it.

Scheuneman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by T. Fish.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26PM.

Village of Oakley Clerk,

Jennifer M. Hart