



**Southern View President and Board of Trustees  
Agenda for the Regular Monthly Meeting**

**Tuesday / September 23, 2025 / 6:00 p.m.**

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER:** Mike Patsche, Village President
- 2) **ROLL CALL:**
  - Nate Briggs, Trustee
  - Robert Eskew, Trustee
  - Rebecca LaRussa, Trustee
  - Nora Petrosky, Trustee
  - Betsy Richbark, Trustee
  - Mike Tavernor, Trustee
- 3) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mike Patsche, Village President
- 4) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
  - Approve August 26, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
  - Approve September 5, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes
- 5) **BILLS TO BE PAID:** Approval of the Bills to be paid, with checks issued 9/23/2025
- 6) **APPROVE TREASURERS REPORT:** Approve August 2025 Treasurer's Report
- 7) **CITIZEN REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**
- 8) **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**
  - Police Department Report for August 2025
  - Public Works Department Report August 2025
  - Engineering Report
  - Legal Counsel Report
- 9) **OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION:**
  - a) Discussion and Approval of the IDOT Condemnation of Village Property
  - b) Discussion and Approval of Land Acquisition from IDOT
  - c) Discussion and Approval Playground Rules for Park Signage
  - d) Discussion and Approval of the Purchase and Installation of Gutters on East & West Pavilions
  - e) Discussion and Approval of Toro Timing Belt Replacement
  - f) Discussion and Approval of Request for Tourism Dollars

**10) NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:**

- a) Discussion of Restaurant Liquor Licenses
- b) Discuss and Approve Principal Insurance Renewal Rates for 2026
- c) Discuss and Approve Balusters and or Guardrails for Park Parking Lot
- d) General Business Discussion

**President's Comments-**

**11) EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a) The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of a Specific Employee or Legal Counsel for the Public Body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1))
- b) Discussion of Minutes of Meetings Lawfully Closed Under the Open Meetings Act for Purposes of Approval by the Body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21))

**Return from Executive Session--may take action on the items discussed in Executive Session**

**12) ADJOURNMENT:**

**Any subject matter placed on the agenda, regardless of how the matter is stated on the agenda or where it is placed, may be acted upon by the President and Board of Trustees.**

**Posted: September 19, 2025 7:00 p.m.**



Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the  
Village of Southern View Board

**CALL TO ORDER:** The President and the Board of Trustees held the regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at the Southern View Municipal Building, 3410 South Fifth Street, Southern View, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Patsche, followed by Roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** The following were present:

Nate Briggs, Co-Trustee of Parks  
Robert Eskew, Trustee of Public Works and Permits  
Nora Petrosky, Trustee  
Betsy Richbark, Trustee of Public Health & Safety and Economic Development

Also Present:  
Lisa Cave, Village Treasurer & Clerk  
Joe Craven, Attorney

Absent:  
Rebecca LaRussa, Trustee  
Mike Tavernor, Trustee

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**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

Motion to approve the August 26, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented by Trustee Petrosky and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Eskew  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

Motion to approve the September 5, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes as presented by Trustee Petrosky and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Eskew  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

**APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS:**

Motion to Approve the Bills to be Paid, for September 23, 2025, as presented by Trustee Petrosky and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Richbark  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

**APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER REPORTS:** President Patsche asked whether the Board had reviewed the August 2025 Treasurer Report and if they found need for any changes, corrections, or amendments. President Patsche stated, the August 2025 Treasurer Report stand approved as presented.

Motion to approve the August 2025 Treasurer Report as presented by  
Trustee Petrosky and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Richbark  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

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**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Chief Maki provided his report to the Board in their packet. Chief Maki stated there were 397 service calls for the month of August, 1 accident, 28 traffic citations and 117 warnings written. There are 25 vacant properties within the Village. Flock cameras have been used 2 times in the month of August. Chief Maki stated they are reviewing all the open cases and closing them as needed. Chief has secured Driver Training for all full time staff and Emergency Tactical Medical Training for all full time staff. Chief Maki stated that National Night Out was a success and he has lots of notes for next year.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:** Trustee Eskew stated Public Works has laid a lot of asphalt throughout the Village and has addressed some of the areas on Kern Street and sidewalks have been poured at the Park and in the 3400 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**ENGINEERING REPORT:** Kevin Kuhn, Kuhn & Trello stated he has not heard back from IDOT and they are completing the OSLAD grant.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:** Attorney Craven stated he had nothing to report.

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**OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION:** President Patsche stated the IDOT Condemnation of Village Property is tabled.

President Patsche stated the Approval of Land Acquisition for IDOT is also tabled.

President Patsche stated that the Approval of Playground Rules for Park Signage should be tabled. President Patsche asked Trustees to bring their suggestions of rules for the signage for discussion at a later date.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of the Purchase and Installation of Gutters on East and West Pavilions. Trustee Eskew stated he has two bids for the gutters. Gutters would be 6 inch gutters with 4" downspouts.

Motion to approve the bid from GCS Services in the amount of \$2,700.00 for the Purchase and Installation of Gutters at the East and West Pavilions by Trustee Eskew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Petrosky  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of the Toro Timing Belt Replacement. Trustee Eskew stated that they have found the water pump for \$700.00 and is still awaiting the total costs of repairing the machine with labor and asked for this to be tabled.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Request for Tourism Dollars. Snoop with the Route 66 Hotel & Conference Center addressed the Board with a proposal to paint a mural on the west side of the Hotel for a total of \$20,000.00.

Motion to approve the Request for Tourism Dollars in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the mural at Route 66 Hotel & Conference Center by Trustee Richbark and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Petrosky  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

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**NEW BUSINESS:** President Patsche asked for discussion of the Restaurant Liquor Licenses. Trustee Petrosky stated she has spoken with Breez Beans and she had stated she does not make enough off of gaming and would like her liquor license to be classified as a restaurant. Discussion took place on the firewall that should be installed on her north side. Jamie's 66 had to install a firewall on the south end and that should be done on the north side of Breez' Beans. Trustee Richbark stated that a restaurant has to serve food at all times while they are open and she has been wanting to secure a chicken place within the Village. Trustee Richbark stated we are all pro business. Trustee Petrosky asked why the firewall and Kevin Kuhn stated that the Village adopted the 2018 International Building Codes and if there are flat tops or fryers the firewall is necessary.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Principal Insurance Renewal Rates for 2026. Trustee Petrosky asked if the insurance is for medical, Clerk Cave stated the insurance is for life, dental, vision and accidental death for the full time employees. The Village pays 100% for the employees and any dependents would need to be paid by the employee. Clerk Cave stated she has not received the renewal rates for Blue Cross Blue Shield for this coming year and will bring it to the Board for approval when it comes in.

Motion to approve Principal Insurance Renewal Rates for 2026 by Trustee Petrosky and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Richbark  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE; Trustee Briggs abstained, President Patsche voted AYE  
**MOTION PASSES.**

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Balusters and or Guardrails for the Park Parking Lot. Trustee Eskew stated that the guardrails are galvanized steel with reflective tape and would go from the gate 30 feet to the light pole and would cover the playground area coming in from 4<sup>th</sup> Street. The costs for the guardrails is \$4,400.00 and the balusters are \$9,375.00 for 15 of them materials and labor. Discussion took place on if the Board would want to expand the guardrails to go the entire length of the parking lot. Trustee Eskew stated that the Village could install guardrails in sections and that there are many times vehicles are doing circles in the parking lot and have damaged the barricades and Public Works has had to replace them.

Motion to approve the bid for Guardrails for the Park Parking Lot totaling \$4,400.00 by Trustee Richbark and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Petrosky  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

President Patsche asked for general business discussion. Trustee Richbark stated she needs help with Public Health and Safety. The amount of calls she has been receiving regarding the back easements with residents that are not taking care of the area. They are grown up with weeds, trees and other debris. Trustee Richbark stated she would like another Trustee or two to help out and address these issues. Trustee Petrosky stated it is common courtesy for the neighboring property owners to take care of the area that it is outside of their fence in the rear. President Patsche stated he would ask Trustee Tavernor to help and Trustee Petrosky stated she would also if needed.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, President Patsche asked for a motion to close the meeting at 6:51 pm. Motion was made by Trustee Eskew and 2nd by Trustee Petrosky.

**PREPARED BY:** Lisa Cave, Clerk

**DATE APPROVED:** October 28, 2025