



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

Tuesday / May 26, 2026 / 6:00 p.m.

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: Mike Patsche, Village President
- 2) ROLL CALL:
 - Nate Briggs, Trustee
 - Robert Eskew, Trustee
 - Jeanette McDermith, Trustee
 - Nora Petrosky, Trustee
 - Betsy Richbark, Trustee
 - Mike Tavernor, Trustee
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mike Patsche, Village President
- 4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - Approve April 28, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
 - Approve May 13, 2026 Special Board Meeting Minutes
- 5) BILLS TO BE PAID: Approval of the Bills to be paid, with checks issued 4/28/26
- 6) APPROVE TREASURERS REPORT: Approve April 2026 Treasurer's Report
- 7) DEPARTMENT REPORTS:
 - Police Department Report for April 2026
 - Public Works Department Report April 2026
 - Engineering Report
 - Legal Counsel Report
 - Liquor Commissioner Report
- 8) OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION: a) Discuss and Approve Park Rules
- 9) NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:
 - a) Discuss and Approve Ordinance 26-05-01 An Ordinance Authorizing Village Expenditures Pending Adoption of Annual Appropriation Ordinance
 - b) Discuss and Approve Resolution 26-05-02 A Resolution in Support of Sangamon County Zoning Amendment
 - c) Discuss and Approve Purchase of a Stihl Zero Turn Mower
 - d) Discuss and Approve Bid of Tree Work at 4 locations in the Village
 - e) Discuss and Approve Bid from Petersburg Plumbing on Repairing Park Drainage by East Pavilion

- f) Discuss and Approve Axon Taser X26 as Surplus Property
- g) Discuss and Approve the Bid from Warning Lites for Signage on Kern and the Village Park

President's Comments-

10) CITIZEN REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

11) EXECUTIVE SESSION:

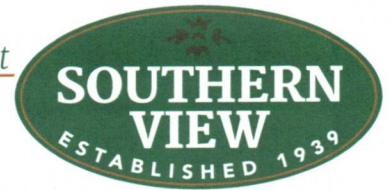
- a) The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of a Specific Employee or Legal Counsel for the Public Body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1))
- b) Discussion of Minutes of Meetings Lawfully Closed Under the Open Meetings Act for Purposes of Approval by the Body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21))

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: May 22, 2026 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 a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at the Southern View Municipal Building, 3410 South Fifth Street, Southern View, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm, 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
Jeanette McDermith, Trustee
Nora Petrosky, Trustee
Betsy Richbark, Trustee of Public Health & Safety and Economic Development
Mike Tavernor, Trustee

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

Absent:
President Patsche

Attorney Craven stated that President Patsche would not be able to make the meeting and the Board will need to appoint a President Pro Tem to conduct the meeting.

Motion to Approve Trustee Betsy Richbark as President Pro Tem for the May 26, 2026 meeting, as presented by Trustee Eskew and 2nd by Trustee McDermith
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Motion to approve the April 28, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes as amended by Trustee Petrosky and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

Motion to approve the May 13, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes as amended by Trustee Eskew and 2nd by Trustee Tavernor
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE; except Trustee Petrosky voted present
MOTION PASSES.

APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS:

Motion to Approve the Bills to be Paid, for May 26, 2026, as presented by Trustee Petrosky and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER REPORTS: President Pro Tem Richbark asked whether the Board had reviewed the April 2026 Treasurer Report and if they found need for any changes, corrections, or amendments. President Pro Tem Richbark stated, the April 2026 Treasurer Report stand approved as presented.

Motion to approve the April 2026 Treasurer Report as presented by Trustee Petrosky and 2nd by Trustee Tavernor
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Maki provided his report to the Board in their packet. Chief Maki stated there were 352 service calls for the month of April, 1 accident, 83 traffic citations and 86 warnings written. There are 32 vacant properties within the Village. Chief Maki stated they are working on the on-going cases, they are reviewing cases from January 2023 to present needing investigative follow-up. Chief Maki stated the Pet Micro Chip event had 8 dogs and 1 cat.

NEW BUSINESS: Chief Maki asked if the Board would consider for discussion the Axon Tasers X26 as surplus. President Pro Tem Richbark asked for discussion and approval of making the Axon Tasers X26 as surplus. Chief Maki stated the Village has received the new tasers and the training is scheduled for June 2, 2026. The Village has 6 Axon Tasers X26, 12 cartridges and 2 batteries. Chief Maki would like to donate them to Millikin University as they are not supported any longer and cannot purchase new cartridges.

Motion to approve the Axon Tasers X26, cartridges and batteries as surplus and donate them to Millikin University as presented by Trustee Petrosky and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Trustee Eskew stated the Village had 4 dumpsters for the junk drop off and disposal of them was \$505.35. Public Works has been down to one mower, the toro mower is being completed now and the one bad boy had to be sent in for repairs. Public Works has been filling potholes when the hot box is available at PH Broughton. PH Broughton has two but one is down so they are making a list for municipalities and rotating at this time. Discussion took place on using cold patch versus hot patch.

ENGINEERING REPORT: Kevin Kuhn, Kuhn & Trello stated he had nothing to report.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Craven stated that the Village may want to suspend the Curve Inns 3BB license as they have not been in operation for over 60 days.

OLD BUSINESS: President Pro Tem Richbark asked for discussion and approval of the Park Rules. Trustee Briggs stated that he would like to change some of the spellings on the rules, but they included what was discussed and agreed at the special meeting.

Motion to approve the Park Rules as presented by
Trustee Briggs and 2nd by Trustee Petrosky
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED: President Pro Tem Richbark asked for discussion and approval on Ordinance 26-05-01 An Ordinance Authorizing Village Expenditures Pending Adoption of Annual Appropriation Ordinance. Attorney Craven stated that this is an annual ordinance to allow the Village to pay their expenses prior to the adoption of the appropriations for FY 2027.

Motion to approve Ordinance 26-05-01 An Ordinance Authorizing Village Expenditures Pending Adoption of Annual Appropriation Ordinance as presented by Trustee Petrosky and 2nd by Trustee McDermith
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

President Pro Tem Richbark asked for discussion and approval on Resolution 26-05-02 A Resolution in Support of Sangamon County Zoning Amendment. Attorney Craven stated that this is a resolution to allow Brad Miller, Sangamon County Board Member, to rezone the unincorporated land within 1.5 miles of Southern Views corporate limits and restore municipal input for land use on solar farms.

Motion to approve Resolution 26-05-02 A Resolution in Support of Sangamon County Zoning Amendment as presented by Trustee Petrosky and 2nd by Trustee Tavernor
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

President Pro Tem Richbark asked for discussion and approval of the Purchase of a Stihl Zero Turn Mower. Trustee Eskew stated it would be a backup mower that the bad boys are 7 years old and have 800 hours on them and this mower is a commercial grade with only 40 hours on it with a warranty. It is too big for what the Village of Jerome needs but would be an asset here with the park. Trustee Tavernor stated the Village could spend \$2,000 more and buy a new one. Trustee Eskew stated that we are spending quite a bit on repairs for the bad boys. Resident Tim Fuhrmann stated that once the mowers get 700 hours on them it is time to replace them. Trustee Tavernor stated he doesn't think the Village needs a mower. Following discussion, the purchase of the mower was tabled.

President Pro Tem Richbark asked for discussion and approval of the Bid for Tree Work at 4 locations in the Village. Trustee Eskew stated one of the trees seems to have life back in it. The trees are hanging over the road. Following discussion, a letter would go out to the residents asking them to remove the overhanging branches and possibly remove the dead tree. Following discussion, the tree bid was tabled.

President Pro Tem Richbark asked for discussion and approval of the bid from Petersburg Plumbing on Repairing Park Drainage by the East Pavilion. Trustee Tavernor stated the Village needs to add concrete on top of the concrete and make that area higher. Trustee Eskew stated that won't work, the only way to get the pitch they need to drain that area is to bore it down to the pond as the north ditch on the other side of the parking lot won't give the pitch they need. Trustee Briggs stated there is a lot of water on the concrete, parking lot all up to the pavilion and the sidewalk has mud all over it. Following discussion, Trustee Eskew suggested that the other Trustees could obtain a bid or present other options to fix the area. The bid from Petersburg Plumbing was tabled.

President Pro Tem Richbark asked for discussion and approval of the Bid from Warning Lites for Signage on Kern and the Village Park. The bid came in at \$540.50.

Motion to approve the bid from Warning Lites for \$540.50 as presented by
Trustee Tavernor and 2nd by Trustee Petrosky
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Rick Allen addressed the Board on the segways that are soliciting in the Village and that they should not be approved till 9:00 pm at night. Chief Maki stated that it is the Board decision on changing the hours but at this moment they are allowed in the Village from 9 am to 9 pm. Rick also asked if 3170 Carman has been issued a letter as their backyard is tall. Trustee Richbark stated she cannot see inside back yards and she has not received any complaints about the address, but will go by the property. Rick asked if the Village repaired the leak in the park. Trustee Eskew stated yes, the leak was fixed last year and that there are some repairs that need to be made in the Martin Pavilion. Rick asked why there was a police presence on Carman. Chief Maki stated it was an outside agency who served a search warrant. Rick stated it was probably a drug house. Chief Maki stated that the Police Department has shut down 3 locations in the Village with drugs and prostitution.

Tim Fuhman addressed the Board and asked if the property on Straight Street is for sale and if it does become up for sale, he and his neighbors are interested in the property and would like to be contacted first. Tim also stated that there was a Facebook post that was made 2 weeks ago anonymously and there were comments back and forth. Tim stated he did not make the post but did respond. The property needs some attention.

Trustee Briggs presented a swamp white oak tree that would be planted in Trustee LaRussa's honor at the park. The tree should grow 60-80 feet, and it was donated by Chuck Smith.

A resident asked if the Village has any control of the electrical easement. He purchased the house on Rita and there are three culverts and there is standing water in the ditch. Trustee Eskew stated he will go by and see what can be done. The resident also stated that the road is collapsing in the ditch and asked where he can dispose of them.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, President Pro Tem Richbark asked for a motion to close the regular meeting at 7:23 pm. Motion was made by Trustee Petrosky and 2nd by Trustee Eskew.

PREPARED BY: Lisa Cave, Clerk

DATE APPROVED: June 23, 2026