



**MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 14, 2025  
28 S DRAKE AVE  
CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI 64119**

Those in attendance: Chairman Terry Bradich, Chairman Pro-Tem Mark Benton, Trustee Larry Barrera, Trustee David Jett, Trustee Renee Keelin, Village Clerk Melody Wymore, Police Chief Matt Coonce, Fire Chief Steve Shaumeyer, Public Works Director Gavin Kane

Meeting Start: Chairman Bradich called the Regular Meeting of July 14, 2025, to order at 7:01 PM.

Trustee Benton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Bradich introduced Police Chief Coonce who shared details from a call on June 29<sup>th</sup>. The call was in Northgate mobile home park for an individual who was mentally unstable, presumably overdosing on drugs, very paranoid, had a firearm, and had barricaded himself in his vehicle. Cpl. Taff arrived on scene and was assisted by Pleasant Valley Police Officer Hicok. Claycomo Fire was notified, and EMS was dispatched. They were all on scene for hours. Their care and patience were rewarded when the individual agreed to open the car doors and eventually agreed to treatment. Life Saving Awards were presented to Pleasant Valley Officer Hicok, Claycomo Fire Cpt. Schultz (accepted by Fire Chief Shaumeyer in his absence), Claycomo Fire Cpt. Johnson, and Claycomo Police Cpl. Taff. They were also given Life Saving Ribbons for their uniform. Cpl. Taff was given a star for his uniform, as this was his second time receiving a Life Saving Award.

Trustee Keelin motioned to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 23, 2025; Trustee Jett seconded. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Abstain, Trustee Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Trustee Jett motioned to approve the Payment of Bills for June 20, 2025, through July 10, 2025, seconded by Trustee Benton. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

First Reading of Bill Number 3068 by title only (as it has been posted since July 11 at 10AM): AN ORDINANCE AMENDING 12.37 E OF THE VILLAGE OF CLAYCOMO CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING THE SALE OF FIREWORKS TO FOLLOW STATE LAWS STARTING JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup> AND ENDING JULY 10<sup>TH</sup>

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Trustee Barrera motioned to approve Bill Number 3068 to become Ordinance Number 3067. Trustee Keelin Seconded. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich and the other trustees thanked Trustee Keelin for her hard work on updating and rewriting The Claycomo Employee Handbook. Followed by the First Reading of Bill Number 3069 by title only (as it has been posted since July 11 at 10AM): AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI, ADOPTING A REVISED EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK FOR THE VILLAGE OF CLAYCOMO.

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Trustee Barrera motioned to approve Bill Number 3069 to become Ordinance Number 3068. Trustee Jett Seconded. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Police Chief Coonce: National Night Out Against Crime has been rescheduled from Thursday, August 7 to Friday, September 26. K9 Axl has been working lately. He shared a call from a resident about a suspicious vehicle around Park/Meadowbrook area. Officers responded and arrested the individual for drugs and firearms. He stated again, "If you see something, say something!"
- Fire Chief Shaumeyer: Shared that he and Cpt. Johnson will be going to South Dakota for the final inspection of the new Pumper July 28-30.
- Village Clerk Wymore: No old business.
- Public Works: Chairman Bradich introduced Public Works Director, Gavin Kane. He will be attending future meetings and reporting on behalf of the Public Works Department. He shared the Public Works Updated (for the last time). Public Works takes care of the following tasks on a regular basis: Every piece of Village owned property is mowed at least once a week. Trash in the Park is emptied every day, 7 days a week. Street trash is

picked up at least 3 times per week. Debris/limbs in the park are picked up as needed. Maintenance to the Mildred Keeney Memorial Park sign. Frequently change the batteries in the cameras in the park. The walking trail has been trimmed back. A new Picnic Table has been added. Signs have been added "Smile, You're on Camera". Signs have been added/updated for Court personnel in the Community Building Parking Lot, following the repaving. Mowed and maintained the surplus property. Mow the median as needed. Trimmed trees at the Fire Station. Trimmed bushes in front of City Hall. Also set up and tear down for all meetings held in the Community Building and Court. Empty Trash, clean the bathrooms and maintain floors at City Hall. Answer Missouri One Calls. Maintain all village equipment (mower, tools, etc.) Mowed at Public Works Shop as well.

- Dale from Zoning: No old business.
- Trustee Barrera: No old business.
- Trustee Jett: Summer antics have begun. Cars, fireworks, dirt bikes, etc. Again, "If you see something, say something!"
- Trustee Benton: "Bring it to Claycomo" Car Show is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 6. More information is coming soon. It will be held at the Community Building again this year. He added that his family had an event in the Community Building over the weekend. His daughter-in-law really appreciated having a changing station in the bathrooms. Many venues do not have changing stations, and they are forced to change the baby on sink tops, counters, or the floor.
- Trustee Keelin: No old business.
- Chairman Bradich: He and Chief Coonce attended the board meeting at Ford for Emergency situations. Said it was very informative. Chief Shaumeyer added that he attended the meeting on the second day with KCFD, Pleasant Valley, and Liberty Fire. He shared that the Christmas Tree that was donated by BC Hardscapes has died. BC Hardscapes has volunteered to replace it before our Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.
- Residents: Resident Marj asked about clearing off the weeds and brush from where the walk over bridge used to be. That area is maintained by MODOT. Resident Sheila thanked the Board for budgeting money for the spade/neutering of feral cats in the Village at NAWA. She has used it several times.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Police Chief Coonce: There is a DWI grant coming up. It will not be scheduled over 1 weekend like the last one. It will be spread over a 2-week period. (Those dates will not be announced.)
- Fire Chief Shaumeyer: No new business.
- Village Clerk Wymore: Next Work Session will be Thursday, August 14, at 5pm at the Community Building. Agenda TBD.

- Public Works: Dirt will start to be delivered to Mildred Keeney Park for the play area.
- Dale from Zoning: Next meeting is on Monday, the 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm at E&D Stamps. Everyone is invited.
- Trustee Barrera: No new business.
- Trustee Jett: Neighborhood Watch meeting on Thursday (July 17) at 7pm at the Community Building.
- Trustee Benton: Thanked Officer Rivers for stopping a speeding car on Riley while he was visiting with him. He also thanked PD for the increased presence in the neighborhoods. He asks for residents and officers to look out for stray dogs.
- Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: No new business.
- Residents: Resident Greg noted that he would like to see more ordinances in the Newsletter. He had many issues with ordinances being broken. Chief Coonce told him to get together with him, and he would see that it was all looked into. Resident Sheila showed the board an aluminum sign she had in her yard that had been shot at with a pellet gun. She is requesting an increased police presence on Eugene Filed Road. Chief Coonce said that he would see that there is an increased presence in that area. Trustee Jett added that there is a form in the lobby at City Hall that can be filled out for requests, and that way there is a paper trail. She also presented him with a copy of an email sent to the Code's Officer that she never heard back from by call, visit, or email. Chief Coonce said that he would be speaking with him on Wednesday, when he is on duty. She asked if pools are required to have a fence around them. Inground pools, yes. Above ground pools must have a ladder that can be locked into a position that does not allow entry into the pool when not in use.
- Chairman Bradich: No new business.

Executive Session: Yes, Legal Matters

Motion to Recess: Trustee Benton motioned to adjourn the regular meeting of July 14, 2025, seconded by Trustee Keelin. All yeas. Motion carried.

Meeting End: Chairman Bradich thanked everyone for coming.

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Village Clerk Melody Wymore

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Chairman of the Board Terry Bradich