



**MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 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

Meeting Start: Chairman Bradich called the Regular Meeting of October 13, 2025, to order at 7:01 PM.

Police Chief Coonce led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Barrera motioned to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 22, 2025; Trustee Jett seconded. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Trustee Benton motioned to approve the Payment of Bills for September 19, 2025, through October 9, 2025, seconded by Trustee Keelin. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich brought for discussion: New Business License Application for Drive Plus/Drive Plus Auto Sale at 247 NE US-69 HWY. A representative from the business was present. Previous plans and applications have been corrected. Trustee Barrera motioned to approve: New Business License Application for Drive Plus/Drive Plus Auto Sale at 247 NE US-69 HWY, seconded by Trustee Jett. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried. They were welcomed to the Village.

Chairman Bradich announced that there won't be any additional used car sales, repair shops, or body shops approved at this time. If a current business leaves, another car business can take its place, but no additional car businesses.

OLD BUSINESS

- Police Chief Coonce: Thanked everyone for a good turnout for National Night Out Against Crime. Biggest and most attendance yet. Very successful. Many of the food items were donated by Brad's Tow and other Village businesses. They have also started compiling the 2026 Village Calendar. He reminds that photos are needed as well as any dates to have printed on the calendar (meetings, events, etc.). He added that Officer Callahan received a Life-Saving Award for saving a 2-month old baby, whose parents rushed to the police station.
- Fire Chief Shaumeyer: New Pumper is now in service.
- Village Clerk Wymore: No old business.
- Public Works Director Kane: No old business.
- Zoning (Dale): No old business.
- Trustee Barrera: He is helping Det. Cooley get ad spots filled for the calendar.
- Trustee Jett: No old business.
- Trustee Benton: No old business.
- Trustee Keelin: Reminds of Trunk-or Treat. Saturday, October 25, 2-5 PM, at Mildred Keeney Park. Everyone welcome! Also, Halloween decoration submissions are due October 23. Winners will be announced at the October 27 Board Meeting.
- Chairman Bradich: No old business.
- Residents: No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

- Police Chief Coonce: Officer Brooks has taken a new position at Jackson County. He left a very kind resignation letter thanking the department and the board for all his years of service. Chief also announces the promotion of Zachery Taff to Sergeant. Effective Oct. 1. He adds that he will be out of town for the next few weeks. Cap. Lorensen will be attending the next Board Meeting in his place and Lt. Kirk will attend the meeting after that. Chief will return on Nov. 12.
- Fire Chief Shaumeyer: Reminds that to burn anything in the Village LEGALLY, you can only burn clean seasoned wood in piles no bigger than 2' x 3'.
- Village Clerk Wymore: Following a resident on Park complaining about the lighting on her street, Evergy has been contacted to do a study on Park, as well as all residential in the Village.
- Trustee Keelin: No new business.
- Trustee Jett: Neighborhood Watch Meeting for this week, has been cancelled.
- Trustee Benton: Trunk or Treat is coming up in October. It will be held at the park (weather permitting). It will be moved to the Community Building if it rains. The next event will be the Christmas Tree Lighting on November 29 at 6PM.

- Trustee Barrera: He will be volunteering with the food pantry to try to increase donations. They are only taking food, money, towels, and sanitizing materials (wipes, packets etc.) No clothing donations at this time. Marilyn (with the pantry) adds that there is a need for diapers, wipes, and formula for babies as well. Donation checks can be made out to: Claycomo Citizen's Alliance. Resident Jeff suggests that if you want to donate clothing, SAVERS pays for clothing donations, and that money can be donated back to the pantry.
- Public Works: Continue to mow the park and spread the dirt that has been dumped. He thanked those that volunteered materials and machinery to help with the dirt at the park.
- Dale from Zoning: Zoning Board will meet next Monday at E&D Stamps at 7pm. Everyone is invited. (Probably no Nov. meeting, as Dale will be out of town.)
- Residents: The topic of feral cats was addressed again. Police Chief Coonce updated that letters were sent out to residents following Officer River's investigation throughout the Village. Claycomo PD urges residents **not** to feed the stray cats, and to utilize the partnership with NAWS to spay/neuter feral cats. He adds that issuing citations will be the next step. This has been an ongoing issue for at least the last 6 years. Trustee Barrera spoke on residents who claim ignorance of the issue and the offer of the NAWS program. He and Chef Coonce went over all the ways it has been addressed recently (board meeting, meeting minutes, on our website, Facebook, newsletter, etc.).
- Chairman Bradich: No new business.

Executive Session: No

Motion to Recess: Trustee Barrera motioned to adjourn the regular meeting of October 13, 2025, seconded by Trustee Jett. All yeas. Motion carried.

Meeting End: Chairman Bradich thanked everyone for coming.

Village Clerk Melody Wymore

Chairman of the Board Terry Bradich