



**MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 9, 2025
28 S DRAKE AVE
CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI 64119**

Those in attendance: Chairman Terry Bradich, Trustee Mark Benton, Trustee Larry Barrera, Trustee David Jett, Trustee Renee Hoppe-Keelin, Village Clerk Melody Wymore, Police Chief Matt Coonce, Fire Chief Steve Shaumeyer

Meeting Start: Chairman Bradich called the Regular Meeting of June 9, 2025, to order at 7:01 PM.

Trustee Barrera led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Police Chief Coonce announced new full time Police Officer Devin Callahan. He joins us at budgeted base salary, \$54,263.00. He will have a 6-month probationary period and has signed a 2-year contract. The oath of office was issued to Officer Callahan by Captain Lorenson and Chief Coonce.

Trustee Jett motioned to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 12, 2025; Trustee Benton seconded. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Trustee Jett motioned to approve the Payment of Bills for May 8, 2025, through June 4, 2025, seconded by Trustee Barrera. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich brought for discussion: Business License Application for Urban Woodstock LLC at 66 US-69 HWY, Unit B. Representatives from the company were present. It will be a novelty store. Trustee Barrera motioned to approve: Business License Application for Urban Woodstock LLC at 66 US-69 HWY, Unit B, seconded by Trustee Hoppe-Keelin. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried. They were welcomed to the Village.

Chairman Bradich brought for discussion: Business License Application for MRB Jewelry at 66 US-69 HWY, Unit D. A representative from the company was present. He plans to open a

jewelry store. Selling only. Trustee Hoppe-Keelin motioned to approve: Business License for MRB Jewelry at 66 US-69 HWY, Unit D, seconded by Trustee Jett. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried. Chairman Bradich welcomed them to the Village.

Chairman Bradich brought for discussion: Sign Permit Application for Innerlife Chapel International KC at 107 E US-69 Hwy. Trustee Barrera motioned to approve: Sign Permit for Innerlife Chapel International KC at 107 E US-69 Hwy, seconded by Trustee Hoppe-Keelin. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- Police Chief Coonce: Officers preformed an Alcohol Compliance Check in all the liquor stores in the Village, after receiving complaints. 3 passed: Discount Smoke & Liquor, Discount Liquor & Smoke, and Zedz. Rocket Stop and New Super Mart did not pass. The clerks that sold liquor to minors were arrested. The “old” police vehicle will be going up for auction on 6/16 on govdeals.
- Fire Chief Shaumeyer: The new pumper should be delivered to the Dealer (in Blue Springs) in mid-August. The (old) Ambulance trade is not going to work out so it will be on purplewave. Trustee Jett asked about “normal” price and lead time on ordering a new ambulance. \$1.2M, 3 years is normal. Our orders have been completed in less than 1 year with sufficient discount. Our old Pumper will be donated to Lee’s Summit. (It will need to be towed.)
- Village Clerk Wymore: Reminder- Work Session on Thursday, June 12 at 5PM. Main topic will be our Village attorney’s opinion of our new handbook.
- Public Works: Accomplished mowing between rainstorms and showers. Cut down dead trees in and around Mildred Keeney Memorial Park. Our new Public Works employee, Gavin Kane, will be attending future Board Meetings to update on his department.
- Dale from Zoning: No old business.
- Trustee Barrera: A resident approached him about feral cats and procedure for taking them to NAWS. Clerk Wymore said Residents trap the cats, call NAWS. Make an appointment. Take them and NAWS bills the Village. The resident was told that they had to have permission from the Village to do that. Clerk Wymore will take care of making sure they have permission.
- Trustee Jett: Brought up the conditions of the road (Randolph, Poe, etc.). Chairman Bradich shared that he had spoken with Claycomo Road District on Friday (again). He said they placed metal plates on the roads to cover the holes and when asphalt becomes available, they will fully repair the areas.
- Trustee Benton: No old business.
- Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: No old business.

- Chairman Bradich: No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

- Police Chief Coonce: Will be out of town (Tues.-Sat) to attend Police Chiefs Conference. Captain Lorenson will be attending also. Officer Rivers will be attending as Chief for Edgerton. Lt. Kirk will be in charge. Sgt. Magers will be on day shift Wed-Fri.
- Fire Chief Shaumeyer: Contact has been made with a representative of the City of Randolph to discuss contracts. That hasn't happened since 2016.
- Village Clerk Wymore: Village-wide Clean up on Sat. June 14. 7AM Stream Team meets Sat. June 21 at Mildred Keeney Memorial Park. Volunteers are appreciated.
- Public Works: No new business.
- Dale from Zoning: Meeting next Monday at 7pm
- Residents: Resident Marj informed for a resident on Thornton's behalf. Her neighbor is throwing limbs, brush and debris in their (own) backyard. Leaving an eyesore for everyone around them. Chief Coonce said he would get with her after the meeting for further details to send out Nuisance officer to speak to them. Resident Christy shared that she attended the Open Forum at Ma and Pa's Kettle with Clay County Prosecutor Zach Thompson. She strongly suggested that Claycomo residents adopt the meeting and ideas he spoke about. Trustees and Chief Coonce agreed. Chief said that he would reach out and coordinate. She asked about sales tax amounts in the budget. Chairman Bradich said that information is no longer published, specific to each business.
- Trustee Barrera: No new business.
- Trustee Jett: There was a plumbing issue at City Hall last week. The new sump pump that was installed earlier had more horsepower than the old one and that flooded the elevator shaft. Current repairs are holding up and the Chief's office has dried out. He also discussed the 2 dogs that get out all the time. They live at 15 Whittier. Chief Coonce added that the resident has been ticketed 3 times. He also asked about the noise ordinance. It is 10PM. Trustee Jett asked about the weight limit on the bridge over I-35, on Bryant Street. Chairman said it is 25 tons. There was a full sized 53'trailer in the neighborhood (on Longfellow). He may have been lost.
- Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: No new business.
- Trustee Benton: Asked about a suspicious vehicle around town that is frequently parked at the library. Chief Coonce is aware but there is nothing they can do if the library is allowing it to park there. He also brought up a loud barking German Shepherd at Thornton & Riley. He is on a leash but runs around freely all night. He's not friendly and is aggressive. Several other neighbors have complained to him about the dog barking all night. Trustee Benton approached the owner about it and also asked him how many animals he had. He couldn't give him an exact number. Chief Coonce said that he would

look into it. Trustee Benton also updated on the Car Show. They will be scheduling a date soon!

- Chairman Bradich: The Gazebo at Mildred Keeney Memorial Park has been cleaned. The tables have been cleaned. It looks great! He brought up the Gas line break, last week on Bryant, in front of McDonalds. The contractors burying fiber lines, punctured the gas line. Claycomo Fire Department had it under control in no time. Traffic was under control. No businesses were interrupted. There were no injuries. The side of 69 Hwy has been trimmed back for pedestrian walking. Brush and debris has been removed from the back fence of Mildred Keeney Memorial Park. Brush was cut, debris taken away and the grass was mowed on medians along 69 Hwy, in Claycomo. The shelter on the Surplus Property is very unstable. It needs to be taken down. He urges other board members to have a look at it. The concern is that if it's not taken down soon, somebody (trespassing) could get hurt. Chairman Bradich shared that the port-a-potty that was stationed at Mildred Keeney Memorial Park was backed into a few weeks ago, which left a bit of damage to the structure. A week ago someone used an explosive and blew it up. The Village has to pay for the destroyed unit. We have had a temporary unit delivered. We can not get another ADA unit until sometime in July. Security cameras have been installed at the park. We have had a donation (from Scott & Wendy McKeller) of a kennel for our Public Works building. Everything should be in place by Monday or Tuesday to start taking in strays again. There will be 3 spaces for dogs. They also donated small kennels for puppies or smaller dogs. There will be a procedure meeting (dog intake forms) with officers & public works staff, coming soon. We can only hold dogs for 3 days. Then we take them to Liberty (no kill) Animal Shelter and have to pay \$140 to them.

Executive Session: Yes, called by Chairman Bradich for Legal Matters

Motion to Recess: Trustee Jett motioned to adjourn the regular meeting of June 9, 2025, seconded by Trustee Barrera. All yeas. Motion carried.

Meeting End: Chairman Bradich thanked everyone for coming.

Village Clerk Melody Wymore

Chairman of the Board Terry Bradich