

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LAURENS
June 3, 2025
REGULAR MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Mayor Kovacs

Present: Mayor Frank Kovacs, Trustee Tom Halstead, Trustee Starr Liddle, Trustee Lois VanAlstine
Water Superintendent Jarrett Hotaling, Assistant Water Superintendent Dale Bullock, Clerk Erica LaBuz

Absent:

Other:

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: The May minutes were accepted as presented with a motion by Trustee Liddle, seconded by Trustee Halstead.

Financial Reports: The certificate of deposit was renewed for 7 months at 3.35369%. The tax levy is \$9,277.00 and the unpaid water on the tax bills including penalties is \$10,883.96. The April financial report was reviewed. A motion to approve the financial report and Abstracts #13 and 1 for payment was made by Trustee Halstead, seconded by Trustee VanAlstine. Approved 4-0

Water Report – Assistant water superintendent Dale Bullock gave the report. The Village used 601,000 gallons of water in May which is higher than last year. Jarrett Hotaling is now the water superintendent. A flow switch was replaced and a spare will be needed. Pete Andrews will work on getting the water running at Knapp Park. Trustee VanAlstine made a motion to replace the roof on the pumphouse at an estimated cost of \$5,500.00 and to establish account FX8340.41 – Building Maintenance. Seconded by Trustee Liddle. Approved 4-0

Mayor's Report – Mayor Kovacs suggested that flags be placed on all poles. There are 23 poles and 7 flags. The picnic table at Schlee Park was pushed into the creek. It will need to be chained down. The dumpster at 94 Main Street will need to be moved so that the garbage truck does not have to drive on the sidewalk. Code enforcement needs to check the building to see if apartments were added.

Committee Reports

Parks, Property & Sidewalks – Job Corps is closing so there will be no sidewalk project this year.

Community Engagement – The concerts will begin on July 2. Chairs will be needed for the Small Town Big Band.

Correspondence

Public Comment: Daisy Soto would like to close Craft Street for a block party on August 16.

The Laurens Fire District plans to bond \$1,625,500.00 to purchase a fire truck for the Mount Vision Fire Department, a fire truck for the West Laurens Fire Department and constructing an addition on the WLFD to house the new truck. An informational meeting is scheduled for 6/12 and the vote is on 6/17.

Adjournment: The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica LaBuz

Village Clerk