



VILLAGE OF MANITO

REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 3, 2026

The Village of Manito Board of Trustees held its regular meeting at the Village Hall on August 3, 2026, at 7:01 p.m.

Present for the meeting were President Sondag, Clerk Butler, Trustees Bortell, Schier, Nieuwkoop, Mattson, Lacey, and Kalhammer. Also present were Chief of Police Scott Montgomery, Public Works Director Steve Sondag, and ZBOA Chairman Ken Farnam.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were presented on a consent agenda: treasurer's report, previous meeting's minutes, resolution to appoint Mark Rossi Law Office as Village Attorney effective 8/15/2026 and notify McGrath Law Office of the change effective 8/15/2026. Motion to approve by Trustee Mattson. Second by Trustee Kalhammer. Motion carries.

WATER REPORT

Trustee Lacey presented the water report for July. Currently 96 delinquent customers owe \$8,420.35. July deposits \$30,528.36. Deposits were down \$3,252.38 compared to one year ago. Year to date income is down \$5,312.38. Smith Septic has a balance of \$95. Burling and Son balance \$1,290.

ZONING

Chairman Ken Farnam reports 2 permits. Charlene Null - 202 E Glendale St - 3 seasons room. Corrina Lhamon - 301 W Main St - above ground pool.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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WATER COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Director Sondag reported that there was an issue with the El Dorado system but it has since been resolved.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

Director Sondag reported that the “no fishing” signs have been installed at the Adams Street pond. The department tested the oxygen levels, and they are showing healthy levels. Oil and chip done through out the Village. Damaged sidewalk repaired at 100 N Washington St - \$3900 for curbs, and \$700 for sidewalk. The PW department would be working on storm drains on Tuesday 8/4/26. Crosswalks near the school would be painted week of 8/10/2026. Department of Labor instected Public Works department and recommended safety procedures be written up. The department has broken concrete that they need to dispose of.

ESDA

Director Kraft reported that monthly test will run on 8/4/2026. They are awaiting the new siren to be fully delivered before they can install.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Montgomery reported that new officer Gabe Wyant will be starting August 17, 2026. He stated that another officer from Manito PD might be leaving to go ot Pekin Police Department. He requested a judiciary meeting be scheduled. He also stated that ordinance updates were coming along.

PARK DISTRICT REPORT

President Josh Harbourn reported that a 2025 inspection notified the park board of issues. They are working with engineers and IParks to fix swimming pool deficiencies. A bid was accepted by Dane Construction for concession stand at Memorial Park. He asked if a permit would be required, and asked if the Village would be willing to waive the permit fee. He was directed to speak with Ken Farnam. He asked for an update on Mason County Civic Authority. The Village

is waiting on an update from lawyers. Fred Williams will be installing cameras at Veterans Park. The basketball and tennis court at Veterans Park will be painted prior to the Popcorn Festival and will be closed for a short time. Fred Williams stated that the Popcorn Festival committee would like to use the playground for the festival therefore would like a load of mulch for the playground area at Veterans Park and at Vogel Field - which can be purchased from the same facility as last year for approximately \$800 for a load. Fred also reported that there is approximately 20 hours in on paint project at Veterans Park.

AUDIENCE

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OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Bortell motioned to accept a bid from CoxCrete of \$5112 for 185' of V ditch curbing in TIF district on Sunset Dr. Seconded by Trustee Schier. Motion carries.

Trustee Schier reported on Revive and Thrive from Julie Grant that flower pots look good and the banners have gone up on the new poles. Thank you, Steve and Public Works. Heritage Day will be October 17 at Roasted. R&T will return in September for a request for money. The committee is aiming for Winter 2027 for a Chocolate Festival. Manito Market went well - thank you to Daighla and Fred. Two of the flower pots need to be moved. Fred Williams stated that one had been moved already.

Trustee Kalhammer stated that due to the storm and tornado, she could no longer take cats to Springfield. She has set the same service through Rescued Heart in Pekin for \$55 per animal. She currently has 4 appointments set up.

Trustee Mattson stated that he would look into fish food. He reported that St. Jude runners came through town and all went well. He would also be looking into shoreline chemicals for grass and boulders that were fish safe. He would work with Steve on this.

Trustee Schier had a landbank meeting last month and stated that business owners needed to contact Dr. Livingston. Clerk Butler would get in touch with building owners. The next landbank meeting is August 13. Brownfield Advisory will assist in grants for water and sewer.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Mattson Motioned to accept a bid from CoxCrete on State Street for 43' of concrete between the curb and existing sidewalk and to fix the grade of the storm drain on Washington St. using TIF funds in the amount of \$2650. Trustee Neiuwkoop seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Trustee Kalhammer motioned to close Broadway Street from Market Street to State Street for downtown street party on September 5 until midnight. The street will already be closed prior to for parade and car show. Motion seconded by Trustee Bortell. Motion carries.

Trustee Kalhammer motioned to approve Laurie's Gaming Bar an off premises liquor license for Saturday September 5, 2026. Motion seconded by Trustee Neiukoop. Motion carries.

Professor Proffer, Community and Economic Development educator at University of Illinois presented a plan for University of Illinois students to update the Village ordinances as part of a student capstone project. We would be notified the week of 8/21 if we are chosen.

Trustee Schier presented an idea and plan for the Village to be involved with a study with the University of Illinois Extension office. "IDA" housing plan has not been updated in 15 years and it should be done every 5-10 years. Trustee Mattson stated that he would oversee this project.

Mike Lane of the Popcorn Festival committee presented a plan for what streets should be closed during the Popcorn Festival car show. Trustee Bortell motioned to close State Street from Broadway St to Washington St, and close Washington St from State Street to Market Street from 12 noon to 4pm. Trustee Kalhammer seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Julie Grant presented that Heritage Festival road closure actually begin on October 16 at 6 pm. The matter has been tabled until either September or October board meeting.

Clerk Butler made mention of what seats would be up for election in the 2027 Consolidated Election. There will be three 4 year trustee seats and one 2 year trustee seat. Those wishing to run in the election can pick up their packet at the Village Hall during normal business hours and return them between November 16 and November 23, 2026.

Trustee Neiuwkoop motioned to expend up to \$800 on mulch for the park. Trustee Mattson seconded the motion. Motion carries

Trustee Mattson motioned to change the interest rate of the RBEG loan rate to 2.5% for all loans not yet granted. Trustee Neiuwkoop seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Bills were allowed paid on a motion by Trustee Nieuwkoop and second by Trustee Mattson:

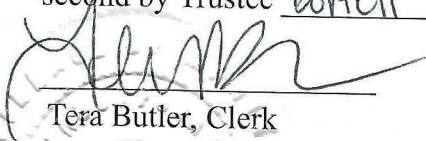
General Fund – 27 checks for a total of \$38,246.64
Water/Sewer – 15 checks for a total of \$14,153.04
MFT – 2 checks for a total of \$19,724.50

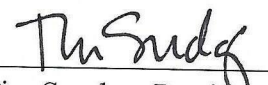
CLOSING REMARKS

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm on a motion by Trustee Mattson and second by Trustee Neiuwkoop.

Approved as presented in the consent agenda on a motion by Trustee Nieuwkoop and second by Trustee Bortell at a regular meeting held on September 13, 2026.


Tera Butler, Clerk
Village of Manito


Tim Sondag, President
Village of Manito