

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting for the Village of Cerro Gordo
April 21, 2025**

The monthly meeting of the President and Board of Trustees met at 6:00 pm on April 21, 2025 in the Village Hall. The following members were present: President Powers, Trustee Hyde, Trustee Frydenger, Trustee Anderson, Trustee Walsh, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Keirl, DPW Mark Blickensderfer, Treasurer Samantha Schenkel, Attorney Susan Nicholas, and Clerk Kelley Morrison. Guests: Katie Helm and Wyatt Schlabach.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by President Powers at 6:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC FORUM

Katie Helm thanked the board for the quick response with getting the porta potties at Veterans Park. She also inquired to see if anymore work was going to be done on North Street.

I. CONSENT AGENDA: Items listed under the consent agenda are routine in nature and will be acted by one motion and one vote. If separate action on any item is desired, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

- A. Approve minutes from:
Regular Board Meeting March 17, 2024
- B. Approve Financial reports from:
Regular Board Meeting March 17, 2024
- C. Approve Claims

MOTION to approve the consent agenda was made by Trustee Frazier, seconded by Trustee Keirl. Roll Call: All Ayes.

II. WATER ADJUSTMENTS

MOTION was made by Trustee Frydenger, seconded by Trustee Keirl to approve water adjustment for Housing Authority of Piatt County. The final bill will be \$575.51. Roll Call: All Ayes.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Discussion / Action on Tank Painting (Water Tower) Controls Update
Is there a deadline for the bypass funding? Wyatt will check and get back with the board.
- B. Discussion / Action on 207 E South Street - Next Steps
Waiting for finalization for the cap on the wall. Should be done this week.
- C. Discussion / Action on Carter Street Drainage Project Bid Packet
Still waiting on one more item for the finalization construction agreement. Waiting on IEPA construction.
MOTION to approve once it is reviewed by Susan was made by Trustee Frazier, seconded by Trustee Walsh.
Roll Call: All Ayes.
- D. Discussion / Action on South Street Sidewalk Improvement
Fall 2026 is the next ITEP funding as it is every other year. They are updating the environmental and will send it to President Frazier.
- E. Discussion / Action on Lead Service Line Inventory Grant and Inventory Project
Wyatt Schlabach read the email that was sent. Do we want to submit a grant up to \$30k? Wyatt stated a \$1000 for grant writing application and to submit Scope and Sequence for fees.
- F. Discussion / Action on 209 & 211 South Street Exterior Inspections
Work to be started this week.
- G. Discussion / Action on 213 South Street Exterior Inspections
Work has already started on the exterior.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

MOTION was made by Trustee Frazier, seconded by Trustee Keirl to move into liquor commission at 6:23 pm. Roll Call: All Ayes.

- A. Discussion / Action on Liquor License - The Depot Bar, LLC - Mark Kaufman
MOTION to approve the Liquor License for The Depot Bar, LLC was made by Trustee Frazier, seconded by Trustee Anderson. Roll Call: All Ayes.
- B. Discussion / Action on Special Liquor License for the Piatt County Fair Reverse Raffle
MOTION to approve the Special Liquor License for the Piatt County Fair Reverse Raffle with completed insurance was made by Trustee Frazier, seconded by Trustee Keirl. Roll Call: All Ayes.

MOTION was made by Trustee Frazier, seconded by Trustee Keirl to move out of liquor commission at 6:25 pm. Roll Call: All Ayes.

- C. Discussion / Action on Illinois Funds
Susan Nicholas will make a resolution to vote on next month.
- D. Discussion / Action 2025 MFT Farnsworth Group
MOTION to approve using Farnsworth Group for our 2025 MFT was made by Trustee Walsh, seconded by Trustee Frazier. Roll Call: All Ayes.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

SILCS 120/2 (c)/(21): Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes by section 2.06

SILCS 120/2(c)/(1): Discuss employees' issues - the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of the public body or legal counsel for the public body.

SILCS 120/2 (c) (11): Discussion of pending, probable Threatened or imminent litigation.

SILCS 120/2 (c)/(5): Discussion of the purchase or lease of real property.

VI. TRUSTEE REPORT/ PRESIDENT REPORT

Trustee Frydenger - Going Thursday to pick up fish for the pond. Will reach out to Solitude about weed control and cattails.

Trustee Anderson - Nothing

Trustee Walsh - Is there an aerial map to show the pools in the village. Can sewer be left off when filling pools?

Trustee Frazier - Water rates increasing in May, should we stop the increase for now. New Ordinance to push back water increase. Board consensus to not add water increase. Nullify Ordinance.

Trustee Keirl - Nothing

Trustee Hyde - Nothing

DPW Blickensderfer - Employee compensation, put on agenda for next month.

President Powers - Retaining wall at Veterans Park giving away - Maintenance limit is \$35k.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn meeting at 6:53 pm made by Trustee Hyde, seconded by Trustee Keirl. Roll Call: 5 Ayes and 1 Nay by Trustee Hyde.

Kelley Morrison
Village of Cerro Gordo Clerk