

Minutes of the Regular Session of The Village of Durand Board of Trustees

Monday, May 12th, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The Village of Durand Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, May 12th, 2025. The meeting was called to order by the Village President, Sheila Hoffman, at 7:55 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustee Clark, Trustee Waller, Trustee Dasko, Trustee Guth, Trustee Cox, Trustee Becker

Present via teleconference: *Code Enforcement Officer, Randy Ketchum*

Absent: None

Employees: *Public Works Supervisor, Aaron Kahl*
Chief of Police, Michael Reiman

Village President: Sheila Hoffman

Village Treasurer: Denise Britnell

Village Attorney: Darron Burke

Village Clerk: Jessica Travis

Public: *See attached sign-in sheet*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

The approval of minutes from the April 14th, 2025 Regular Session were inspected by the board members. Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Guth to approve the corrected April 14th, 2025 minutes of the Regular Session. ROLL CALL: Becker, yes: Cox, yes: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Dasko, yes: Guth, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.

The approval of minutes from the April 28th, 2025 Regular Session were inspected by the board members. Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Guth to approve the April 28th, 2025 minutes of the Regular Session. ROLL CALL: Waller, yes: Dasko, yes: Cox, yes: Guth, yes: Clark, yes: Becker, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

The Board bills dated May 12th, 2025 were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Cox to draw on the treasury to pay the Board AP bills dated May 12th, 2025 totaling \$26,740.06. ROLL CALL: Dasko, yes: Cox, yes: Clark, yes: Guth, yes: Waller, yes: Becker, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

The payroll Bills dated April 30th, 2025 were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Becker to draw on the treasury to pay the April 30th,

2025 payroll Bills totaling \$27,635.83. ROLL CALL: Becker, yes: Dasko, yes: Waller, yes: Clark, yes: Cox, yes: Guth, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

The payroll Bills dated May 14th, 2025, including the zoning board and the village board were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mr. Becker and seconded by Mrs. Clark to draw on the treasury to pay the May 14th, 2025 payroll Bills including the zoning board and the village board totaling \$39,195.58. ROLL CALL: Guth, yes: Waller, yes: Cox, yes: Becker, yes: Clark, yes: Dasko, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

TREASURER'S REPORT

TABLED

ZONING

Nothing to report

SWEARING IN:

VILLAGE PRESIDENT: Sheila Hoffman was sworn in as the Village President of the Village of Durand by the Village Clerk Jessica Travis.

VILLAGE TRUSTEES: AJ Becker, LeAnn Clark, and John Guth were sworn in as Village Trustees of the Village of Durand by the Village Clerk Jessica Travis.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sherry Meinert and John Peterson with the Otter Creek Historical Society were present presenting details and examples of the Railroad Sign.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE

Trustee Clark reports: Treasurer's Report has been tabled. Clayton from Benning Group will be present at the Durand Village Hall on May 13th, 2025 to finalize some clean up things for Fiscal Year 2025. Benning Group will be present at the Durand Village Hall June 4th - 6th, 2025 for their in-office portion of the Fiscal Year 2025 audit. The village has received the recorded deeds for the Otter Creek lots. There are two developers interested in purchasing some lots to build homes. The two developers are interested in working together. Further research needs to be done on the covenant to determine how the lots can be sold. We have used our therms (1 thm = 1 Ccf natural gas) at the Public Works Building. We will start receiving a Nicor bill now until the therms reset on January 1st, 2026.

B. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Trustee Guth reports: Game Star has their soft opening scheduled for Saturday, May 17th, 2025 and will be open to the public Sunday, May 18th, 2025. Fire Barn also plans to have a soft opening this weekend, May 17th – 18th, 2025. Many residents received bills from Waste Management; at this time, it is presumed this is due to a system hack at Waste Management. The Village of

Durand answered many calls and in office visitor questions, everyone was advised to disregard the bills. Committee to consider review of ordinance for food trucks on private and public property. Durand Charm is going forward to secure progressive license for the Queen of Hearts drawing. Durand Charm will open up with bond up to \$10,000.00. Progressive Raffle license is up for approval May 12, 2025 (tonight). The Lions Club is moving towards holding Holiday Raffles, "seasonal". Otter Creek Historical Society will be erecting a historical sign in the square with Aaron Kahl's leadership. Sherry Meinert & John Peterson came to Village meeting tonight to discuss and share details. Sign is expected to be up before July 4th, 2025.

C. BUILDINGS AND PARKS

Trustee Waller reports: The results of Market in the Park, held May 3rd, 2025 at Saelens Park. Durand Charm held their Spring Plant Sale, and DARTS held their Shop Local Home Show. There were 34 vendors, and around 200 visitors. The Park Shelter rental fee currently \$10.00 is increasing to \$25.00. The new basketball hoops and backboards are up at Saelens Park. The \$4,000.00 gift from the Lions Club will be used towards resurfacing of the basketball court at Saelens Park.

D. WATER AND SEWER

Trustee Cox reports: Water & Sewer rate increases are on the agenda for first reading May 12th, 2025 (tonight). Paper statement fees of \$3.00 are officially on the bills now. There has been a steady decrease in the number of paper statements being mailed out due to the number of people signing up for paperless statements. This Friday, May 16th, 2025 the EPA will be doing a walk-through of the WWTP (wastewater treatment plant).

E. STREETS AND ALLEYS

Trustee Dasko reports: Street sweeper came through ahead of schedule on May 11th, 2025. Alleys had been serviced and several more to do.

F. POLICE

Trustee Becker reports: April Monthly report was given out. Police Memorial Week events; Wednesday, May 14th, 2025 7:00 PM, Remembrance Ceremony at Crossroads Church, Thursday, May 15th- 18th, 2025, Durand Squad will be at Cherryvale Mall on display and the mall will also have other police displays and demonstrations, Friday morning, May 16th, 2025, Officer Sager and Chief Reiman to attend the 45th Annual Memorial Remembrance Ceremony breakfast at the Hardrock Casino in Rockford. Training; April 30th, 2025, Officers Sager, Lomax, Rossi, Kim and Chief Reiman attended de-escalation training paid for by the ILEAS (IL Law Enforcement Alarm System) in conjunction with the Less Lethal Grant (\$9,411.60) that was received for the (3) Taser 10's (which we have and are now ready for use). We have Department training to be certified on June 10th, 2025 and June 12th, 2025. Cherry Valley Police Department is putting on the training for the Village of Durand and the Village of Winnebago Officers. (If any of the training is recorded on video I will try to show it at a future board meeting.) May 13th, 2025 We are hosting a Night and Rifle shoot for Durand, Winnebago and Pecatonica Officers. May 14th, 2025 is the Northwest Illinois Law Enforcement Executives Association Meeting in Rockton. School Resource Officer (SRO) Information; Wednesday, May 14th, 2025 Durand High School Junior class goes to Flow in Rockford (Officer O'Malley Lomax to attend for a portion of this). Friday, May 16th, 2025 is the Durand High School Senior class cook-out. Wednesday, May 21st, 2025 Durand School's 7th grade

class goes to Volcano Falls in Loves Park. Officer Lomax also has a tournament arranged on May 21st, 2025, "Kickball with Officer Lomax". Last day of school is Friday, May 23rd, 2025. SRO and Officer Kim in mandated training, High Risk Traffic Stop with Roscoe and Rockton on May 27th, 2025. SRO in an SRO school June 16th – 20th, 2025 in Dixon. SRO will be with us for the 2025 Street Dance and the 2025 4th of July celebration. We worked a tentative schedule to keep Officer Lomax (SRO) under the ILETSB (IL Law Enforcement Training Standards Board) part-time hours to work a five hour shift a week during the summer to stay relevant and keep up with certain online trainings.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NO OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Motion was made by Mr. Guth and seconded by Mr. Becker to waive first reading for Ordinance 2025-9 for Water and Sewer Rate Increase. ROLL CALL: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Dasko, yes: Guth, yes: Cox, yes: Becker, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.
- B. Motion was made by Mr. Guth and seconded by Mr. Cox to approve and adopt Ordinance 2025-9 for Water and Sewer Rate Increase. ROLL CALL: Becker, yes: Cox, yes: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Dasko, yes: Guth, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Guth and seconded by Mr. Cox to approve Durand Charms Queen of Hearts Community Progressive Raffle. ROLL CALL: Waller, yes: Dasko, yes: Cox, yes: Guth, yes: Clark, yes: Becker, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.
- D. Motion was made by Mr. Guth and seconded by Mrs. Clark to approve waiver of Ordinance 15-10, Durand Charm Progressive Raffle, May 2025 to May 2026: ROLL CALL: Dasko, yes: Cox, yes: Clark, yes: Guth, yes: Waller, yes: Becker, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED

EXECUTIVE SESSION DEEMED NOT NECESSARY.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Next Monday meeting date is Memorial Day so the next meeting will be, Tuesday, May 27th, 2025 @ 6:00 PM.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MAY 12TH, 2025 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ROLL CALL: YEAS, 6; NAYS, 0; ABSENT, 0.

TIME ADJOURNED: 8:53 P.M.