

VILLAGE OF MACKINAW
VILLAGE BOARD of TRUSTEES
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES

October 27, 2025

Mayor Josh Schmidgall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
This was a regular meeting of the Village of Mackinaw.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL BY:

Present: President Josh Schmidgall and Trustees Willie Cotton, Candy Haynes, Kraig Kamp, Mark Morman, and Kevin Wilkins

Absent: Trustee Tim Severt

Also Present: Clerk Lisa Spencer, Public Works Manager Mike Schopp, Police Chief Mike Kemp, Attorney Mark McGrath and Kyle Edwards, Brad Venzon, Blaze Stieghorst, and Morgan Himegarner

III. CONSENT AGENDA: The consent agenda consists of approving October 13, 2025 regular meeting minutes, Police department report, Public Works department report, recurring disbursements, finance packet

Trustee Haynes moved, seconded by Trustee Cotton to approve the above listed consent agenda items. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees Cotton, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, and Wilkins

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Severt

There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT – none

V. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT: The Board reviewed the report showing the activities of the department.

Swearing in Officer Stieghorst – Chief Kemp swore in newly hired Officer Blaze Stieghorst. Stieghorst was introduced to the Board and given congratulations on joining the Mackinaw Police Department.

2. PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER’S REPORT: Public Works Manager Mike Schopp reported on the activities of the department. The department flushed fire hydrants in the Village and Heritage Lake. Schopp stated that Mackinaw collected over 180 tires for Tazewell County Tire Drive. Maintenance was done on the pump at the trailer park lift station. The department replaced a fire hydrant at 300 W Fourth Street.

Remove tree at 503 E Madison St. – Schopp updated the Board that his department will be removing the tree in the right a way of 503 E Madison St. due numerous complaints regarding dropping excessive debris on the sidewalk.

Purchase and install two aeration units at sewer lagoon – Trustee Morman moved, seconded by Trustee Wilkins to authorize the purchase and installation of 2 aeration units at the sewer lagoon. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees Cotton, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, and Wilkins
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Severt
There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried**

3. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Non-Recurring Bills – Trustee Severt moved, seconded by Trustee Cotton to approve the non-recurring bills. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees Cotton, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, and Wilkins
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Severt
There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried**.

VI. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Developer Agreement Guidelines – This item was tabled.

Determine project for Mackinaw Stout Foundation Grant – Trustee Haynes moved, seconded by Trustee Cotton to submit a Mackinaw Stout Foundation Grant application for a new pavilion for Westwood Park.

VII. LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: none

VIII. TRUSTEES REPORT:

102 E Madison St regarding future development agreement between the Village of Mackinaw and Keith Schmidgall – Trustee Kamp stated to the Board that Keith Schmidgall is requesting an extension on the development agreement to develop the lot sold to him by the Village within 3 years. The agreement was signed in 2020. McGrath stated that he has exceeded the deadline and that it was the interest of the Village to have a building on the lot.

Trustee Haynes moved, seconded by Trustee Cotton to have Attorney McGrath send a letter to Keith Schmidgall stating that the Board will grant a development extension to expire in one year from today (10/27/26) or the property will become the Village's again. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees Cotton, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, and Wilkins
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Severt
There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried**.

IX. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Resolution #25-04 approving contract for legal services with Stag Liuzza LLC and Gardiner Koch Weisberg & Wrona regarding AFFF PFAS litigation – Trustee Morman moved, seconded by Trustee Haynes to adopt resolution #25-04 approving contract for legal services with Stage Liuzza LLC and Gardiner Koch Weisberg & Wrona regarding AFFF PFAS litigation. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees Cotton, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, and Wilkins
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Severt
There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried**

X. NEW BUSINESS: none

- XI. ADJOURNMENT @ 7:45 P.M.:** There being no further business to come before the Board Trustee Haynes moved, seconded by Trustee Wilkins to adjourn.
motion carried.

I, Lisa Spencer, Village Clerk of the Village of Mackinaw, Illinois do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held on the above date, as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Lisa Spencer, Village Clerk
Posted: 11/11/25