

VILLAGE OF MACKINAW
VILLAGE BOARD of TRUSTEES
NOTICE TO PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

December 8, 2025

President Schmidgall called the public meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL BY:

Present: President Josh Schmidgall and Trustees Willie Cotton, Kraig Kamp, Mark Morman (6:13 p.m.), Tim Severt, and Kevin Wilkins

Absent: Trustee Candy Haynes

Also Present: Clerk Lisa Spencer, Public Works Manager Mike Schopp, Attorney Mark McGrath, Police Chief Mike Kemp, Gwen Crawford, Elena Menold, and David Haensel

III. NOTICE TO PUBLIC FOR PROPOSED TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF)

DISTRICT – Gwen Crawford led a public discussion regarding the proposed tax increment financing district. Crawford explained the proposed redevelopment project area and that a TIF does not raise property taxes and it is not a new tax or a new taxing district. Only an increased assessment or an overall increase in tax rates can raise taxes. TIF is merely used to reallocate increase property tax revenues created only by increased assessed valuation that is realized after a TIF District is established. A TIF District may last for up to 23 years, or longer as may be extended by Act of the Illinois General Assembly. With Tax Increment Financing, the property tax base is preserved during the life of the TIF District that will continue to pay for the basic public services for Redevelopment Area already receives. Charles Lowery asked if his 16 areas located just outside of Village limits could be added to the TIF. He was told that the property must be part of the Village to be included in the TIF. Clerk Spencer asked if funds received by the Village would require a separate bank account. Crawford stated that funds will need to be separate but do not require a separate bank account and that an audit will be required. Spencer will discuss the TIF with the Village auditor.

IV. NEW BUSINESS: - none

V. ADJOURNMENT @ 6:25 P.M.: There being no further business to come before the Board Trustee Severt moved, seconded by Trustee Cotton 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: 1/13/26