



Village Of Dakota Board Meeting – Dakota Village Hall 112 Main St Dakota Il

Monday, June 2nd, 2025

Called To Order 6:30 P.M.

Board Members Attending-Ken Vrazsity, Jeremy Knox, Thomas Long, Andrew Workinger, Otis Holley

President- Jon Riley

Clerk- Kenzie Holste

Treasurer – Melody Sweet

Public Works – Jeff Kluck

Public Attendees- Jordan Vrazsity, Kelli S., Gianna F., Craig & Krista Kraft

Approve Agenda -Andrew made a motion to approve the agenda, 2nd by Jeremy, motion carried.

Approve Minutes

1. Approve Minutes for 5.5.2025 meeting. **Andrew mentioned corrections needed to public attendees and board members present. This was tabled until next meeting once corrections are made.**

Finances

1. Approve Bills – **Jeremy made a motion to approve the current bills, 2nd by Ken, motion carried.**
2. Review Account Balances- Due to it only being the 2nd of the month, current account balances will be reviewed at July's meeting.
3. Review Time Sheets- Employee time sheets were reviewed; discussion was had about varying police hours.

Resident Permits and Requests

1. Zoning at 140 W. Main St.
 - FEHR Grahm will be looking into the current zoning to allow for the board to find out where it currently stands. There is a potential to pursue an address and owner specific change. The owners were present and wanted to let the board know that the building receives two different addresses. 138 W Main St. which they are looking to be residential, and 140 W Main St. which would be commercial use.
2. Discuss 212 E Davis Street switching from well water to village water connection.
 - The residents discussed the issues they have had with their well and received the application to begin the process of connecting to the village water hook up.

3. 136 Wyler Dr. Fence Permit Request
 - Before the board approves the request, they want to clarify if this is or is not on the property line. The description states on the line but the drawing showed it slightly off the line. Jon and Ken will go take a look and speak with the property owner before approving if it is off of the property line.
4. Additional Permits or Resident Requests
 - a) 215 W Davis St.
 - Replacing the current blacktop. No change in material or dimension. Will be returning permit fee due to simply replacing driveway.
 - b) 205 W Davis St.
 - Request for driveway work to be completed. A new culvert is needed. Due to time constraints, the board will look to reimburse the cost of a culvert at a later date.

New Business - Village President Jon Riley

1. Resignation of Trustee Jon Riley **A motion made by Otis to accept the resignation of Trustee Jon Riley, seconded by Jeremy, all in favor, motion carried.**
2. Remote Attendance Option for Absent Trustees- Otis requested that this be looking into due to traveling for his career. There was a policy created during COVID, and according to the attorney, specific justifications need to be met: illness, family member emergency, child care, etc. A policy needs to be in place for remote attendance to be an option. Andrew brought up the costs or concern for proper technology to support this option. Jon will be looking into a policy option to make this a possibility; however, the board will not accept this as an option if a closed session is needed.
3. Discussion and approval of IEPA PWSL 17-4260 Request #11 in the amount of \$152,564.02 including Kelsey Pay Application # 9, Willett Hofmann & Associates Invoice #38860 and CFPS, Inc. invoice #06. **A motion was made by Jeremy to approve the IEPA PWSL 17-4260 Request #11 in the amount of \$152,564.02 including Kelsey Pay Application #9, Willett Hofmann & Associates Invoice #38860 and CFPS, Inc. invoice #6, seconded by Andrew, all in favor, motion carried.**
4. Discuss for approval the purchase of uniforms/apparel for village officer.
5. Discuss for approval the supplies needed for citations.
A motion was made by Andrew to approve the village officer up to \$250 to purchase uniforms/apparel and citation supplies, seconded by Otis, all in favor, motion carried.
6. Any additional new items.
Air conditioning is needed in the cop car. Jeff will take a look to try and diagnose the issue to get it to the correct repair person. **A motion was made by Jeremy to pre approve the expense of up to \$1,000 for repairs to the AC of the village cop car, seconded by Otis, all in favor, motion carried.**

Old Business - Village President Jon Riley

1. Wastewater Treatment Facility Project Updates- This project is not complete. It was supposed to be completed by April 30th, however the new schedule from Kelsey stated early May. A request was sent to the IEPA to be completed by May 16th, however that date has also already come and gone. The project was waiting on a ComEd hook up as well as some pipe fitting that were on back order. Both have now been completed. Willet Hofman is working with Kelsey to get a firm final date to submit to the EPA and Jon is going to request a final walk through with the trustees to inspect the completed project.
2. Update on Unregistered Vehicles Ordinance- The board will be reaching out to the list of residents with unregistered vehicles.
3. Discuss Community Center Rental Requirements- The clerk will look for our copy of the community center rental agreement contract to review what was stated on this topic.
4. Discuss Solar Ordinance- Jon will begin putting together a solar ordinance draft for the board to review. They would like to avoid back and forth with the attorney so a close to finalized draft will be completed before sending it off to become official.
5. Discuss Rock River Energy Increase Notification Updates- No new information. This will stay on a month-to-month pricing basis until more details on a contract are received.
6. Discuss Walkability Study- Waiting to receive dates and information on this project.
7. Any Additional Old Business
 - Sidewalks- The budget shows \$24,999 for sidewalk projects and there is currently nothing in place to get these updated. The board will begin to get bids for different trouble areas in town. They know not all issues will be able to be handled, however getting to some of the major concerns is their priority.
 - Water Tower- The repairs should begin potentially the second week in June, and the Village is pursuing litigation.
 - Main Street- The repairs to Main Street should begin in the middle of June. This project was set to start 1-2 weeks after school was released.

Committee and Trustee Reports

1. Any Items of Discussion by Village Board Trustees –
 - a. Ken brought up the fact that the Dakota park sign needs replaced due to it rotting out. The board will work on getting quotes for this project.
 - b. The current village hall repairs or replacement is paused until a majority of current projects are completed and a clear understanding of where the budget sits is defined.

- c. A resident had mentioned to a board member the request for holiday flags up and down main street on the electrical poles. The board will work on getting quotes and pricing to see what this cost would be but they liked the idea.

Dakota Public Works- Jeff Kluck

1. Any Items of Discussion for Mr. Kluck –
 - a. Jeff brought up the possibility for a completed tour of the project so that the board is able to point out any concerns on the Water/Sewer Project. Jon is going to coordinate the tour to be at 5:45 p.m. on July 7th and will be how the board begins the July meeting.
 - b. Jeff would like a letter to go out to the village members that the dump will not be open to the public due to the completion of the sewer project. Any dump or yard waste will be coordinated through him. Kenzie will work on getting this information put together and broadcasted out.
 - c. The fender on the plow truck is in need of repair. Jeff will work on getting this replaced or fixed.
 - d. Jeff asked the board to think on where the new pressure tank should be located during the water tower repair. No clear answer was defined, but different locations were brainstormed.

Public Comments –

Jordan V. brought up the concern of cyber security for online access to board meetings and if this would be open to the public. The board discussed the zoom option would only be for the trustees to tune into the meeting and that they would look into the options for this to be executed properly.

Adjourn - Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m., 2nd by Ken, motion carried.