

**Village of Pocahontas**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Monday August 12, 2024, 7:00 P.M.**

Meeting called to order by Village President, Karen Heilig. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken with the following trustees present: Matt Hawley, Sue Kovach, Dave Crawford, and Adam Evans. Trustee Danny Beard Jr was absent.

Consideration/Action: Appointment of vacant trustee position

David Crawford made a motion to appoint Pat Forhan for the vacant trustee position. Adam Evans 2<sup>nd</sup> – roll call on motion, with all yes, motion approved. President Karen Heilig then swore Pat into office.

**Truck Stop:**

The temporary road is there. We are still trying to get the sewer connection. They would like to go with the original set-up. Currently waiting to hear back from the engineers.

**Police:**

Rob advised that Jake McClintock will be starting as a part-time officer soon. He is fully certified and has worked for Greenville for the past 5 years.

**Water/Sewer:**

Briar advised that the water tower has been emptied and will be inspected tomorrow.

The owner of the duplex on State St broke the service line again. The setter is also broken.

Briar wanted to discuss the cost for Dawson Chestnut to tap on to the water system at his property on West State. This will be put to a committee to discuss.

**Building/Zoning:**

Park Grant is almost complete.

**Old Business**

**Consideration/Action:** *Adoption of ORDINANCE #2024-812: AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE VILLAGE OF POCAHONTAS, ILLINOIS*

Susie Kovach made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE #2024-812: AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE VILLAGE OF

POCAHONTAS, ILLINOIS. Matt Hawley 2<sup>nd</sup> – roll call on motion with Sue Kovach, Matt Hawley, Adam Evans, and David Crawford voting yes and Pat Forhan abstaining, motion approved.

**Consideration/Action:** *Moving forward with creating a new Comprehensive Growth Plan*

This topic will be tabled until the next meeting so that Pat has time to review.

**Discussion:** *Information about Consolidated Election on April 1, 2025*

Loni advised that petitions will be able to be circulated starting August 20<sup>th</sup>. You will need 20 signatures. Filing period is November 12<sup>th</sup> at 9am through November 18<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. These must be filed at the Pocahontas Village Hall. Your placement on the ballot will determine when you return your election packet. The positions up for election are: Mayor (4-year term), 3 – Trustee positions (4-year term), Clerk (4-year term), and 1 – Trustee (2-year term).

### **Public Comment**

Tina Aper wanted to check the status of how far along we are on the problematic property issue.

Matt made a motion to go into closed session at 7:29 pm, for personnel. Adam 3<sup>nd</sup> – motion approved with all voting yes.

The meeting was called back to order at 7:47 pm.

Matt made a motion to close the meeting. Motion approved and meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.