

Village of Pocahontas

Regular Board Meeting

Monday, July 28th 2025, 7:00PM

The July 28, 2025 meeting was called to order by Mayor Pat Forhan. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the roll call was taken with the following trustees present: Danny Beard, Dave Crawford, Allie Hunter, Brenda Kleinik, Adam Evans, and Shannon Links.

Also present were Loni Hensler, Diane Griffith, Randi Smith, Mel Griffith, Jeff Kleinik, Michael Geaschel, Jennifer Rick, and Rob Kenny.

Approval of Minutes

Dave made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Allie seconded this with the motion approved.

Treasurer's Report

Allie made a motion for approval and Danny seconded it

Consideration/Action

*Decision on how to proceed with these funds-Hold the money and consider how to pay the funds. Plumbing needs done, approval of a new A/C and upgrade to the electric. Funds can be taking from the sewer fund. The motion was seconded by Danny.

*Apply for credit card for public works-Tabled until later.

Attorney-Ryan Connor/Michael Geaschel

*Truck stop update-Weiss agreed to an informal meeting. Will see if they can work it out for a reasonable price.

*Problematic property-Three attempts have been made to serve the individual. August 5th is the next court date. Notice has been left with the Bond County Sheriff's Office.

Water/Sewer-Rock at Robinson Cemetery Road. Discussion was had regarding storm debris and leaves policy. Discussion was tabled for now.

Building/Zoning-Still looking for a building inspector.

Police-New vagrant.

Old Business

*Discussion of Ameren Gas Line and the possibility of accepting their proposed contract-Shannon got a bid for the culvert on Stewart Street. Pat is going to contact Dawn with Ameren.

*Updating electrical at the Village Hall

*Making Adams St one way and Bond St as a dead end-Discussion tabled at this time.

*Bridge on Leaverton over the railroad tracks/who is to maintain, and next steps-Pat might be able to get information on this. Safe pathway to school grant is a possibility.

New Business

Consideration/Action:

*Approval of merit raises-There are options based on work. Susie and Adam previously worked one up.

*Possible purchase of and utilization of a PO system-A PO system does not have to be purchased. Diane would like to implement using a PO when someone orders.

*Change meeting times from 7PM to 6 or 6:30PM-It was determined to keep the meeting times the same at 7PM.

*Employee handbook

*Hosting a fishing tournament-Adam hasn't presented, he will make sure to bring it up.

*Approval to pay for new Air Conditioning Unit

*Status of Board Members taking FOIA, OMA, and Sexual Harassment Training.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50PM