

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF  
WARDSVILLE  
MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 04, 2025  
1825 ALBERT PLACE  
COMMUNITY BUILDING  
6:30 P.M.

The Board of Trustees may enter Closed Session at any time during the meeting upon a majority vote of the Board of Trustees under Section 610.021 RSMo for issues pertaining to personnel, real estate, possible litigation and/or to receive advice of counsel.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Board Chairman Bill Gratz, those present were William (Bill) Gratz, Paul Stonner, Co-Chairman, Rick Taube Treasurer, Brian Schrimpf, Board Member and Rachel Busche Board Member. Bill certified a quorum was present. In attendance were, Libby Chipman, Village Clerk David Bandre' Village Legal Counsel, Gary Frank Village Maintenance Supervisor, Don Welch Planning and Zoning Chairman, and distinctive guest were Jon Stanbaugh, Brad Schrimpf, and Darrell Matel, the last two being with the Knights of Columbus

The minutes from May 07, 2025, were approved, the motion to approve made by Rachel Busche seconded by Paul Stonner, and the motion carried unanimously.

Paul Stonner made a motion to accept the financial report presented by Libby; Brian Schrimpf seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously and financials were approved.

**Guests:**

Darrell Matel and Brad Schrimpf from the Knights of Columbus were present to discuss the First Annual Christmas Parade for the Village of Wardsville. Their plan is the start the parade at the school and end at Route W in front of St. Stanislaus church. The plan at this time is for the parade to be on December 13, 2025, and start at 11:00 a.m. They will have pictures with Santa, hot chocolate and such at the Knights of Columbus new building, following the parade. Bill asked the Board, and everyone agreed that it seemed like a very nice idea, but there were a few things before the board could give approval. They must get approval from the school, also get approval from the state and county, and make sure that they have plenty of coverage from the County Sheriff's Office; to cover the route, Brian raised the question about ending on W, making sure that the ambulance and fire trucks could get through the road at all times. We did receive a map of the planned route. They will come back with letters of approval and then we can proceed.

**Report from Chairman Bill Gratz**

Bill gave an update on Falcon Lane, with a calendar of the projected start and ending that Higgins Construction provided. Nothing further to report. The projected start date is June 09. 2025.

**Report by Paul Stonner**

Nothing to Report

**Report by Rick Taube**

Rick spoke about the school having fund raiser without the notification to the Board, Libby will write an email to Ben to ask nicely if they could advise when they are having something, so we don't think someone is just setting up without a license.

**Report by Brian Schrimpf**

Nothing to Report

**Report by Rachel Busche**

Nothing to Report

**Report from David Bandre'**

Dave said that he really had nothing to report, except that the cow is gone. Also asked if we got the number from Sheriff's Department, Libby stated she had emailed Kyle just this morning and ask, no response. Bill Gratz said he would reach out to Sheriff Wheeler.

**Report from Gary Frank**

Gary will call Matt Prenger about repairs, and everything done on Falcon Lane at the same time.

**Report from Don Welch**

Nothing to Report

**Report from Libby Chipman/Village Clerk**

Libby presented the new website, but still loading all the information, it will take a bit of time to get it all uploaded. But everyone one liked the new look.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

None

**Payment of Bills**

Rich Taube made a motion to approve paying the bills, Rachel Busche seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Rachel Busche made motioned that we close the meeting, Paul Stonner second, motion carried unanimously, meeting closed at 7:00 p.m.

**THESE MINUTES ARE IN DRAFT FORM AND COULD BE CHANGED BEFORE APPROVED AT THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON JULY 02, 2025**

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Libby Chipman".

Libby Chipman  
Village Clerk

