

**MINUTES OF A
REGULAR MEETING OF
THE DWIGHT VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Held in the Public Services Complex
209 S. Prairie Avenue, Dwight, Illinois
May 19, 2026, at 5:00 pm**

President Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM and asked for a roll call.

PRESENT: Marla Kinkade, Trustee; Josh Jahn, Trustee; Daniel Hansen, Trustee; Austin Haacke, Trustee; and Debra Karch, Trustee.

ABSENT: Pete Meister, Trustee

OTHER Village Officials in Attendance: Crissy Livingston, Village Administrator; Cory Scoles, Public Works Director; Mike Nolan, Police Chief; Dustin Campbell, EMS Director; Nicole Bozarth, Village Clerk; Nicholas Ehrgott, Village Attorney.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were presented for consent agenda: (a) Motion approving minutes of April 28, 2026, Village Board Meeting (b) Motion approving minutes of April 28, 2026 Administration Meeting (c) Motion approving payments in between board meetings of \$152,779.38 (d) Motion to approve the March 2026 Treasures Report (e) Motion approving six solicitor permits for Finray Solar, May 20-May 20, 2026. Trustee Haacke motioned to approve the consent agenda, with a second from Trustee Hansen. Roll Call. Motion carried, 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

President Johnson updates from the Administration & Finance Meeting on 5/19/26.

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2026-11, authorizing to install and maintain mural/signage at 101 W. South St. and establishing ownership and control over said mural/signage, was presented for consideration and approval. Motion by Trustee Kinkade, with a second from Trustee Jahn. Roll call. Kinkade (aye), Jahn (aye), Karch (aye), Haacke (aye), Hansen (aye), Meister (absent). Motion carried 5- 0.

A COPY OF RESOLUTION 2026-11 IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE CLERK

Resolution 2026-12 authorizing to install and maintain mural signage at 204 E. Chippewa St. and establishing ownership and control over said mural/signage, was presented for consideration and approval. Motion by Trustee Kinkade, with a second from Trustee Jahn. Roll call. Kinkade (aye), Jahn (aye), Karch (aye), Haacke (aye), Hansen (aye), Meister (absent). Motion carried 5-0.

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VILLAGE REPORTS/OLD BUSINESS

President Johnson provided an update on the TESKA Strategic Land Use Plan and ongoing efforts related to future growth and economic development. He stated that on June 1, several State employees, representatives, and Village staff would be meeting in person, along with participating in a site tour of the Surplus to Success property (formerly the Dwight Correctional Center for Women), to discuss the program and potential next steps.

Administrator Livingston announced that the Village was awarded a \$250,000 Safe Routes to School (SRTS) grant for sidewalk improvements. The project will add new sidewalks along South Chicago Street from Wilmac Street to Scott Drive and from Scott Drive to Columbia Street, creating a continuous walking loop.

Livingston also noted that the SRTS grant awarded in 2023 is scheduled to begin on June 1. The project includes new sidewalks on part of E. Williams Street, Philmar Street, the 200 block of Wilmac Street, and along South Chicago Street from East Williams Street to Wilmac Street. Homeowners have been notified of the upcoming improvements through door hanger notices.

Livingston reported that the Red Carpet Corridor weekend was a tremendous success and expressed appreciation to Village staff, local restaurants, vendors, volunteers, and the community for their efforts in making the event a success.

Police Chief Nolan gave a special thanks to the Dwight Police Department in celebration of Police Week recently. Nolan also mentioned that Cop on a Rooftop on Dunkin was last week, and \$700 in donations were made for Special Olympics.

EMS Director Campbell gave a special thanks to the Dwight EMS crew in celebration of EMS Week. Director Campbell also mentioned that there have been 599 calls so far for the year.

Director Campbell also updated the board regarding the ambulance currently out of use.

EMS plans to have a child passenger safety class in September, and more details will come soon.

Public Works Director Scoles recognized the Public Works Department in celebration of Public Works Week and thanked the staff for their dedication and hard work. Scoles also reported that the Community Clean-Up Day was a success and thanked residents for taking advantage of the event.

Scoles reported that smoke testing is being planned and discussed ongoing coordination with the Village Engineer regarding concerns on Karen Drive.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Motion by Trustee Haacke with a second from Trustee Kinkade to *deny* the curb cut application at 307 S. Clinton St. Roll Call. Motion carried, 5-0.

b. Motion by Trustee Jahn with a second from Trustee Karch to approve proposal from Kelly Electric for \$8,250.00. Roll call. Motion carried, 5-0.

c. Motion by Trustee Jahn, with a second from Trustee Kinkade to approve Comfort Cookin' food Truck at Village Hall on May 21, 2026, for Police, Public Works, and EMS weeks. Roll call. Motion carried, 5-0.

d. Motion by Trustee Karch, with a second from Trustee Kinkade to approve the agreement with NCICG for CDBG Housing Rehabilitation. Roll call. Motion carried, 5-0.

Meeting note: Trustee Haack exited the meeting at 5:30 pm, reducing the number of trustees present to four. A quorum remained present.

e. Motion by Trustee Kinkade with a second from Trustee Karch to approve NCICG for CDBG public infrastructure (sewer). Roll call. Motion carried, 4-0.

f. Agenda item NCICG for IHDA, Strong Communities Program Agreement was removed from the agenda

g. Motion by Trustee Jahn, with a second from Trustee Karch, to approve Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with NCICG for CDBG Economic Development Grant. Roll call. Motion carried, 4-0.

h. Agenda item NCICG for CDBG Economic Development Grant Agreement was removed from the agenda

Finding no further business, President Johnson asked for a motion to adjourn. All voted aye by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 5:33 pm.

APPROVED:

Paul Johnson, Village President

ATTEST:

Nicole Bozarth, Village Clerk