

**Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
**Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Village Hall 405 Main St. Pecatonica, Illinois**

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1. **Call to Order** – The meeting called to order by Village President Collin Hardy at 6:00 pm.
2. **Moment of Silence.**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.**
4. **Roll call** -. Trustees Bill Determan, Tom Gipe, Tanya Wurtzel, James Green, and Heather Squires were present. Trustee Kim Gipe was absent.  
  
Others in attendance were Village President Collin Hardy, Public Works Director Nick Berry, Village Clerk Darla Stram, Treasurer Jordan Hartman, Police Chief Matt Summers, Village Engineer Jason Stoll, and Village Attorney Dave Kurlinkus.
5. **Establishment of a Quorum.**
6. **Additions/Corrections to the Agenda-** None
7. **Approval of Agenda-** A motion was made by Trustee Tom Gipe and seconded by Trustee Determan to approve the agenda. No discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All Trustees present voted yes. Motion approved 5-0-1.
8. **Call to the Public** – None

**Agenda Items**

**A. Village President's Items**

1. Isaac Guerrero, R1 Planning Council Economic Development Director – EV infrastructure and grant assistance for Pecatonica – Presented options and benefits provided by his program. It was suggested that Mr. Guerrero attend an Economic Development Committee Meeting to discuss his program further.
2. Steve Davis of Reagan Mass Transit to discuss offering rural transportation bus services – Steve Davis and Greg Gates gave a presentation of the services they will be offering to Winnebago County beginning July 1, 2025.

**B. Finance (Liaison Determan)**

1. Liaison Report – None.
2. Review Changes to Employee Handbook – Discussion held. Regarding village vehicles, discussed adding that the Public Works Director be permitted to drive village vehicle home daily to final draft.
3. Discuss and Review Quotes with possible Recommendation to Regular Board Purchasing of Computers for Trustees – Discussion held. Quotes were reviewed. The Village Clerk will be getting another quote with more specific features and options. This will be discussed at upcoming Meetings.

4. Discussion on Local grocery Tax – The state of Illinois will be dropping 1% sales tax on groceries as of 1/1/26, with the option for local municipalities to implement up to a 1% sales tax on groceries. Tax revenue would go into general fund. Ordinance would need to be filed by 10/1/25. Discussion
5. Discuss 2025-2026 Appropriation Ordinance – Discussion held.
6. Discussion on Board Questionnaire for Auditors – Liaison Determan reminded the Trustees that the questionnaire will need to be completed and returned by June 10. Jordan Hartman the Village Treasurer informed the board that this applies to the board members during the Fiscal year 2024-2025.

**C. Public Safety (Liaison Squires)**

1. Liaison Report- None.
2. Police Department Monthly Report (Matt Summers) – Police Chief discussed the approval of the body camera grant.

**D. Public Works (Liaison Tom Gipe)**

1. Liaison Report – None.
2. Public Works Monthly Report (Nick Berry) – Reviewed his monthly report.
3. Discuss and Review Quotes with Possible Recommendations to Regular Board to Replace 2012 F350 Pickup – Motion made by Trustee Tom Gipe and seconded by Trustee Determan to send to full board recommendation to purchase the GMC from Bocker for \$46,737.70. A roll call vote was taken. All Trustees present voted yes. Motion approved 5-0-1.
4. Discuss and possible Recommendation to Full Board Bennett Pay Application #14 (Final) for Well #3 in the amount of \$51,170.17 – Motion made by Trustee Tom Gipe and seconded by Trustee Determan to send to full board the recommendation to make final payment of Application #14 for Well #3 in the amount of \$51,170.17. A roll call vote was taken. All Trustees present voted yes. Motion approved 5-0-1.
5. Engineer's Report – Jason gave a summary regarding the 2025 Streets Project.

**E. Economic Development (Chairman Kim Gipe)**

1. Next meeting: Monday, June 9, 2025, at 6:00 pm
2. Discussion on Business Grants – Discussion was held.
  - a. Green Light Floral
  - b. The Bicycle Hub LLC

**F. Executive Session – None.**

**G. Adjournment** - A motion was made by Trustee Determan and seconded by Trustee Tom Gipe to adjourn the meeting. No discussion. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.