

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF METAMORA, IL., HELD JANUARY 20, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Metamora was called to order at 7:00 PM

Deputy Village Clerk, Katie Garber, called the roll call.

Present:

President: Deeb

Trustees: Nauman, Schierer, Weyeneth, Glueck, Bowers, Alig

All present.

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the regular meeting held January 6, 2026, were reviewed. Trustee Nauman made a motion for approval with Trustee Alig seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, the motion passed.

Minutes of the special meeting held January 19, 2026, were reviewed. Trustee Weyeneth made a motion for approval with Trustee Alig seconding. With a vote of 5 yeas, 0 nays, and one abstain from Trustee Nauman, the motion passed.

The Warrant List was reviewed. Trustee Bowers made a motion for approval with Trustee Glueck seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, the motion passed.

Recognize Guests/Public Comment

Rosie Alig – (404 Quail Run) Rosie mentioned that the sidewalk near the library drop box is broken and in need of repair.

Mayor's Report

President Deeb mentioned that the cybersecurity project she had mentioned at past meetings with Bradley University will be moving forward to be finished by springtime.

The sharp's disposal site hosted by the Woodford County Health Department previously discussed by the Village board was brought back up. The board discussed and decided the best location for this disposal box would be between the Village Hall and the Village administration building.

Trustee Nauman made a motion to approve the space between the Village Hall and the Village administration building for the location of the sharp's disposal box with Trustee Glueck seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

There was no report.

Administrative Report – Cole McDaniel

Cole McDaniel was not in attendance due to a death in the family. Garber highlighted a few items Cole had sent to be reported on prior to the meeting.

A special events application is in the works, laying out guidelines for when there are special events being hosted on the Square.

There is an upcoming meeting with the USDA with Cole, Dawn, and Katie, which is the agency managing the federal funding for the public safety building.

There is a press release scheduled for February 6th at the firehouse for the congressional appropriation for the public safety building. Congressman LaHood will be in attendance at this press release to announce the approval of the funding for the public safety building.

Economic Development – Katie Garber

Katie presented the 2026 regular board meeting schedule for approval. Trustee Nauman made a motion to approve the 2026 Village board meeting schedule with Trustee Weyeneth seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, the motion passed.

Katie brought forward the voluntary pledge to the Greater Peoria Economic Development Council. Trustee Weyeneth made a motion to approve the voluntary pledge to Greater Peoria Economic Development for \$500 with Trustee Glueck seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, the motion passed.

Katie presented a calendar of events for the 2026 calendar year including Dinner on the Bricks, Friday night concerts, and Saturday night concerts. At a staff meeting, the calendar had been discussed, and it was suggested that the Saturday night concerts should not begin until after Old Settlers so as not to take away from the crowds for the Old Settlers concerts. The presented Saturday concert schedule would begin following the 4th of July. Leon Edwards with Edwards Marketing was in attendance at the meeting and mentioned he would be happy to help with the concert planning process. Amounts paid for concerts were discussed and it was mentioned lowering the cost of the Saturday night concerts.

Trustee Weyeneth made a motion to approve the 2026 event calendar with Trustee Alig seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, the motion passed.

Garber presented a new logo sheet with the requested changes from last meeting. Multiple trustees stated that they would like to see the current logo remain the Village's logo but adjust the logo to ensure it names "Village of Metamora" in the logo. Trustee Bowers stated that he had spoken with Cole McDaniel and requested a logo be presented similar to what the Village currently has but refreshed.

Garber stated that the website will be done earlier than anticipated with a scheduled launch on Monday or Tuesday of the following week.

Attorney's Report

Brunton informed the board that he contacted the attorney regarding the McDonald's property stating that the board will not be accepting the gift of land as discussed and decided at the last meeting.

The farmland lease was discussed. Weyeneth stated the same rent amount will be in place this year.

Brunton mentioned he is still working with Cole on the historic overlay district.

Brunton brought back up the topic of getting the non-home rule sales tax in place. He emphasized the importance of implementing this as there are going to be many upcoming projects where the funds can be used. He will be presenting the board with more information on this at an upcoming meeting.

Engineer's Report

Bob Kohlhase with Farnsworth presented his engineer's report with multiple items.

Next steps need to be taken in the engineering process for the public safety building in anticipation of the approved federal funding. Another necessary step in the process for the public safety building and future projects is getting water brought over to the 135-acre site. Future planning and considerations for sewer also need to be made.

Jason will be meeting with Farnsworth soon regarding the implementation plan for the MFT program for 2026.

The streetscape conceptual plans have been presented to the committee. Farnsworth is now waiting on the approval from the committee as well as the Village board to continue with the engineering process.

Committee Reports

Public Works Department

Nothing to report.

Police/Fire/ESD

Nothing to report.

Finance/ Economic Development, Insurance, Special Project

Nothing to report.

Old Business

President Deeb stated she is continuing to get letters of support for restroom facilities on the former legion lot.

New Business

There was no new business.

Executive Session – If Requested

There were no requests.

Adjourn

With no more to discuss, Trustee Weyeneth made a motion to adjourn with Trustee Schierer seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Katie Garber

Deputy Village Clerk