

**REGULAR MEETING
TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD
June 2, 2025**

Village President Harding called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Monday, June 2, 2025, at the Tremont Village Hall.

Present: Village President Harding, Trustees Zuercher, Hinman, Kreiling, Replogle

Remote: Scranton

Absent: Smith

Village Clerk: Jena Alig

Village Attorney: Michael Seghetti

Engineer: Eric Hansen

Police Chief: Robert Siwak

Guests: Jacob Baker, Laura Morris, Steve Runyon

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Replogle moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of May 19, 2025, and Trustee Zuercher seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve all bills, payroll, investments, transfers, and budget items incurred since May 19, 2025, and Trustee Hinman seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Scranton made a motion to transfer \$21,435.07 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations to cover payroll and bills and Trustee Hinman seconded.

AYES: All In Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

The Board discussed the significant increase to Tazewell County Consolidated Communications bill and suggested reaching out for a breakdown of how the fees are assessed.

Police Operations

Trustee Zuercher requested that the computer update be added to the next meeting.

Zoning & Planning

Trustee Kreiling had nothing to report.

Buildings & Grounds

Trustee Replogle had nothing to report.

Personnel

Trustee Smith was absent.

Finance

Trustee Scranton reported that after paying off the loan, the \$12,500 automatic transfer from general fund account to the bond reserve account has been reinstated and will continue monthly.

Public Works

Trustee Hinman deferred to Engineer Hansen. Hansen reported that he submitted to IDOT the intersection design studies for the future Chestnut St. connection and Gunter St. connection. The IDOT construction team to work with the Village to get the Gunter St. connection completed by changing the Rt. 9 project plans to include the Gunter St connection. The Board to review the cost of Chestnut St. connection.

Public Comments

Jacob Baker presented to the board his plans for his front lawn at 708 E South St. to make it a native pollinator landscape. He would replace the grass with clover and designated islands that would consist of joe-pye weed, little bluestem native grass, and swamp milkweed. Baker informed the Board that he had communicated his plans to his neighbors. The Board discussed the importance of maintaining the garden and emphasized the need to adhere to setback requirements from the property lines and the Village right-of-way.

Unfinished Business

1. Review of Resolution 05-110: move to next meeting

2. New Building Code: Attorney working with consultant. Remove from the agenda for now.

New Business

- 1. CMT West Side Watermain Extension Contract:** Contract for the watermain relocation on the westside of town in preparation for the Rt. 9 project and extension of the watermain to Gunter St. and south of Gunter St.

Trustee Hinman motioned to approve the West Side Watermain Extension contract with CMT for \$16,000 and Trustee Kreiling seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

- 2. Community Center Parking:** The Board has received requests for more handicap parking at the Community Center. The parking lot is currently legally compliant. The parking lot has limited capacity, and the addition of one designated handicap parking space would result in the loss of two standard spaces. Trustee Replogle will further examine the issue.

- 3. IDOT Grants:** Engineer Hansen discussed the \$400 million dollar grant funds available to local governments from IDOT. Hansen submitted a grant application requesting \$650,000 for sidewalk and ADA compliant issues within the Village and a \$1.4 million grant application to replace the sidewalks and curb and gutters from Rt. 9 to Franklin St. that is currently not compliant.

4. 2025/2026 Village Engineer Agreement:

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve the 2025/2026 Village Engineer Agreement of \$2,500 a month and Trustee Hinman seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion passed.

- 5. Right of Way Modification:** The Board discussed the ROW modification at James St and E Franklin. The resident removed the grass and added river rock. They also discussed the ROW modification at Tazewell and N James. The resident planted trees within the ROW, where a future sidewalk is planned to be constructed. Trustees will review the modifications and continue the discussion at the next meeting.

- 6. 2025/2026 Appropriations:** Trustee Scranton presented the proposed 2025/2026 appropriations to the board for review, noting that they include minimal changes from the previous year. The board will approve at the July 7th meeting.

7. Ordinance Amending Ch 157 – Schedule of Fees for Land Use:

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve Ordinance 25-115 amending chapter 157 schedule of fees for land use and Trustee Replogle seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

8. Ordinance Amending Ch 121 – Mobile Food Vehicles:

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve Ordinance 25-116 amending chapter 121 mobile food vehicles and Trustee Hinman seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

9. Ordinance Amending Ch 152 – Schedule of Fees for Subdivisions:

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve Ordinance 25-117 amending chapter 152 schedule of fees for subdivisions and Trustee Kreiling seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Scranton reported that the grading and seeding for the sidewalk project is complete and was under budget. He also discussed the tree at Sampson and Walnut is obstructed by the tree branches and resident parking on Sampson with oversized truck impeding the traffic lane.

President Harding inquired about the speed bumps for Ivy Lane. The speed bumps have been delivered but signs are not in yet.

The Board acknowledged the passing of former Village Attorney Richard Wherry. A plant will be sent to his family as a gesture of sympathy.

Trustee Replogle expressed appreciation to Chief Siwak and his staff for their hard work and long hours during the Turkey Festival weekend.

Adjourn at 812 pm

Jena Alig
Village Clerk

Kenneth Harding
Village Board President
