

**REGULAR MEETING  
TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD  
July 7, 2025**

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

**Present:** Village President Harding, Trustees Zuercher, Smith, Hinman, Kreiling, Replogle  
**Absent:** Scranton

Village Clerk: Jena Alig

Village Attorney: Michael Seghetti  
Police Chief: Robert Siwak  
Village Engineer: Eric Hansen

Guests: Anita and Jon Brown, Steve Runyon, Addy Molina, Ian Molina, Abbi Shenaut, Gavin Cockerill

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Smith motioned to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of June 16, 2025, and Trustee Zuercher seconded.

**AYES: Smith, Hinman, Replogle, Zuercher**

**NAYS: None**

**PASSED: Kreiling**

**Motion carried.**

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve all bills, payroll, investments, transfers, and budget items incurred since June 16, 2025, and Trustee Smith seconded.

**AYES: All in Attendance**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

Trustee Smith made a motion to transfer \$14,913.28 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations to cover payroll and bills and Trustee Hinman seconded.

**AYES: All In Attendance**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

**Police Operations**

Trustee Zuercher reported that the automated external defibrillators are over 10 years old and need to be replaced.

## **Zoning & Planning**

Trustee Kreiling nothing to report.

## **Buildings & Grounds**

Trustee Replogle nothing to report.

## **Personnel**

Trustee Smith reported that the cleaning position will be posted soon, and the Personnel Committee is working on a parental leave clause.

## **Finance**

Trustee Scranton was absent.

## **Public Works**

Trustee Hinman reported that a sewer backup occurred at a residence on Toepfer Street during sewer line work on Toepfer and Hannibal Streets.

## **Public Comments**

Anita and Jon Brown addressed the board regarding a neighbor's shed encroaching on their property and inquired about setback requirements. The board will follow up with the exact ordinance. They also expressed concerns about non-emergency calls being routed to Pekin and the absence of third-shift police coverage. The board explained that while Tremont does not have 24/7 police presence, county officers cover during off-hours.

Ian and Addy Molina, local small business owners, addressed the board regarding their interest in opening a car wash at 108 S. Harris Street. The board discussed zoning considerations for the property, as well as access requirements related to Route 9. It was noted that the property is located within both the Business Development District and the Enterprise Zone.

**Recessed for 35 minutes for a medical emergency.**

## **Unfinished Business**

- 1. Review of Resolution 05-110:** move to next meeting
- 2. Right of Way Modifications:** President Harding encouraged the board to think about how to address situations where property owners modify the Village right of way.

### **3. 2025/2026 Appropriations:**

Trustee Hinman motioned to approve Ordinance 25-118, 2025/2026 Appropriations, and Trustee Zuercher seconded.

**AYES: All in Attendance**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

**4. Route 9 Update:** Engineer Hansen reported that a utility conflict required IDOT to shift the project start location from the high school to the downtown area. The new watermain installation from Tiber Creek to Gunter Street is currently out for bid, and Superintendent Boston is coordinating with the contractor on the relocation of several fire hydrants.

**5. IML Conference – September 18-20:** President Harding expressed support for having a representative attend the conference.

**6. Electric Energy Supplier – Contract Expires in August:** The board discussed the contract options provided by Mike Mudge.

Trustee Smith motioned to approve the 36-month contract with Direct Energy with an estimated cost of \$23,571.26, and Trustee Zuercher seconded.

**AYES: All in Attendance**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

### **New Business**

**1. Baer Road Storm Drainage:** Engineer Hansen provided an update on the meeting he and Trustee Scranton had with the Moser family regarding their property off Baer Road and storm water damage to the farmland. Trustee Scranton stated that the Village will jet the culvert under Baer Road to assess its condition.

**2. Sale Listing of 100 S Baer Rd Property:** Move to next meeting.

**3. Weer Subdivision Notice of Water/Sewer:**

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve the Weer subdivision notice, and Trustee Replogle seconded.

**AYES: All in Attendance**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

4. **BDD Grant Request – Perdue’s:** Move to next meeting.

**5. Community Center Parking Lot:**

Trustee Replogle motioned to approve the bid from Tazewell County Asphalt Co for \$4,200 to sealcoat the Community Center parking lot and Trustee Smith seconded.

**AYES: All in Attendance**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

Engineer Hansen reported that the Village received approval to proceed with bidding for the mill and overlay project covering seven blocks on the north side of town, scheduled for completion this fall.

Chief Siwak reported that we have received the recruitment/retention grant funds, and we should be receiving the grant from the tasers soon.

**6. Closed Session:**

Trustee Smith motioned to move to closed session pursuant to section 2C-1 of the Open Meetings Act and Trustee Hinman seconded.

**AYES: All in Attendance**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

Reconvened at 8:53 pm.

The board discussed Officer Fletcher’s potential return to light duty and agreed to defer any action until after his follow up appointment with the doctor on July 21, 2025.

Adjourn at 9:00 pm

Jena Alig  
Village Clerk

Kenneth Harding  
Village Board President

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