

**REGULAR MEETING
TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD
October 20, 2025**

Village President Pro Tempore Smith called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Monday, October 20, 2025, at the Tremont Village Hall.

Present: Village President Pro Tempore Smith, Trustees, Scranton, Hinman, Kreiling, Replogle
Absent: President Harding
Remote: Trustee Zuercher

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

Guests: Robin Canada, Michelle Shenaut, Michelle Martin, Randall Jenkins, Tim Gregory, Danielle Risinger

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Hinman motioned to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of October 2, 2025, and Trustee Kreiling seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve all bills, payroll, investments, transfers, and budget items incurred since October 2, 2025, and Trustee Hinman seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Scranton made a motion to transfer \$22,956.30 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations to cover payroll and bills and Trustee Replogle seconded.

AYES: All In Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Police Operations

Trustee Zuercher nothing to report.

Zoning & Planning

Trustee Kreiling nothing to report.

Buildings & Grounds

Trustee Replogle nothing to report.

Personnel

Trustee Smith reported that the personnel committee will meet before next board meeting to discuss a parental/maternity leave policy.

Finance

Trustee Scranton reported that there is currently no bill backlog, and all payments are up to date.

Public Works

Trustee Hinman reported that he will be meeting with TCA to discuss the Rt. 9 project. The storm sewer is expected to be installed before winter, though curbing is unlikely to be completed. He noted there will be no ADA crossing at Locust Street. A surveillance camera has been installed at the burn pit, providing good video quality and serving as an effective deterrent.

Public Comments

Michelle Shenaut addressed the Board regarding parking and safety concerns on her street, citing issues such as obstructed access for service vehicles, expired plates, vehicles parked improperly or in the street, and excessive numbers of cars and boats at certain residences. The Board discussed possible options, including limiting the number of vehicles per household or implementing a residential parking permit system.

Unfinished Business

- 1. Community Solar Savings Resolution:** Board decided there are too many unanswered questions to move forward.
- 2. E-Bikes:** The Board discussed posting information on social media regarding road rules and helmet safety.
- 3. Police Garage Structural Issue (SW Corner):** The Board is awaiting a second bid and will compare scope and budget, as well as consider sealing and operational planning during construction.
- 4. Electric Aggregation Contract:** The Board discussed the recently approved electric aggregation contract, noting its strict terms and penalties, and recommended having the attorney review future contracts.

New Business

1. **Right of Way Dedication:** Move to next meeting.
2. **Naming of Gunter Street:** Move to next meeting.
3. **2025 Benefits Renewal/Open Enrollment:** Danielle presented the 2025 health insurance renewal rates and alternative plan options to the Board. No final decision was made, as the Board requested employee input. An employee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 3, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.
4. **Prairie Knolls Phase III:** The Board reviewed the Prairie Knolls Phase III development contact. The Board noted that five lots remain unbuilt, with four past the 24-month construction deadline. Per the agreement, a \$2,000 fee applies if construction or utility connection is not completed within that period. The developer is also required to install sidewalks along Marguerite Street and 330 feet on Chestnut Street.

5. 2026 Meeting Schedules:

Trustee Hinman motioned to approve 2026 meeting schedules for the Village Board, Zoning Board, and Liquor Commission, and Trustee Kreiling seconded.

AYES: All In Attendance

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

6. **Winning Communities:** Winning Communities is planning a community-wide meeting for late February or early March.

The Board discussed using BDD funds to support the Hometown Christmas festivities, noting eligible uses such as marketing, attracting visitors, and professional service costs. The item will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

Trustee Scranton stated that the 2025/2026 levy will be \$425,000, a 2.9% increase over the prior year.

Chief Siwak noted that the department received a \$6,000 grant for additional tasers.

Trustee Replogle recognized Jeff Hinman as a recipient of the Distinguished Service Award at the Tremont High School Alumni Association Banquet.

Adjourn at 9:00 pm

Jena Alig
Village Clerk

Kenneth Harding
Village Board President