



VILLAGE OF CARBON HILL

695 N. Holcomb St, Carbon Hill, IL 60416

Special Meeting of the Village Mayor and Board of Trustees

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

Carbon Hill Village Hall

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Adam Johnson at 7:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Adam Johnson and Trustees Laura Emling, Jim Rodgers, Charlie Shain, Nicole Shain and Lori Togliatti

Absent: None

Also Present: Clerk Jennifer Hamerla, Attorney Chris Dearth, Lakin Elliott (Treasurer), Matt Halloran (Chamlin & Assoc.), Mary Jo Shain, Gary Smith, Gary Lissy Sr., Jules Harper

APPROVAL OF 09/02/2025 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Tr. Emling to **approve the 09/02/2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**. Tr. Togliatti seconds. Motion carries with 5 ayes (Trustees Emling, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

APPROVAL OF 10/07/2025 TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Tr. N. Shain to **approve the 10/07/2025 Treasurer's Report**. Tr. Emling seconds. Motion carries with 5 ayes (Trustees Emling, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Jo Shain inquired about the new driveway that was installed at 575 Rathburn St. Mayor Johnson said that it was done incorrectly and is being fixed. She also asked about the sewer project status. Mayor Johnson and Matt Halloran updated everyone at the meeting stating that the bed is done and most of the valves have been installed. The Village is currently waiting for the pretreatment and tank to be delivered which should be here in the next couple of weeks. Matt said that the project should be finished in the next month or so. Mary Jo's third matter to discuss was asking for an update on how the Village bills for water/sewer. Mayor Johnson said that at next month's meeting he should have a more detailed understanding on water billing.

Gary Lissy Sr. was present to read a letter he wrote regarding his ongoing concerns and questions with the new build next door to his residence. Mr. Lissy's letter stated that it was to be considered a FOIA request. Mayor Johnson and Attorney Dearth addressed his questions. Attorney Dearth asked Mr. Lissy if their answers satisfied his FOIA request and Mr. Lissy stated that his FOIA request was satisfied.

Gary Lissy left the meeting at 7:32pm.

OLD BUSINESS

Grundy County Sheriff's Department did not appear before the Board to provide the Village with a **monthly update**.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion was made by Tr. N. Shain to approve the **appointment of Jules Harper as Trustee**. Tr. Togliatti seconds. Motion carries with 5 ayes (Trustees Emling, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

Newly appointed Trustee **Jules Harper** was sworn into office by Attorney Chris Dearth.

Motion was made by Tr. C. Shain to **approve the hiring of John Vickery for Maintenance at \$25/hour**. T. Togliatti seconds. Motion carries with 6 ayes (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

Motion was made by Tr. N. Shain to **approve the Josh Cumming Memorial Scholarship**. Tr. C. Shain seconds. Motion carries with 6 ayes (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

Motion was made by Tr. N. Shain to **approve a \$500 donation to Santa in the Park**. Tr. Emling seconds. Motion carries with 6 ayes (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

Motion was made by Tr. C. Shain to **approve purchasing materials to redo the Beer Garden Building**. Tr. Emling seconds. Motion carries with 6 ayes (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

Motion was made by Tr. Emling to **approve bid for work to be completed on Beer Garden Building**. Tr. Togliatti seconds. Motion carries with 6 ayes (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

Motion was made by Tr. Emling to **decline the approval of a donation to the American Legion**. Tr. Rodgers seconds. Motion failed with 0 ayes, 6 nays (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 abstain – 0 absent

Motion was made by Tr. C. Shain to **decline the approval of \$4,500 for All American Throwbacks for Homecoming**. Tr. Emling seconds. Motion failed with 0 – ayes, 6 nays (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 abstain – 0 absent

Motion was made by Tr. C. Shain to **approve \$1,500 for No Decision Band for Homecoming**. Tr. Emling seconds. Motion carries with 6 ayes (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

Motion was made by Tr. Emling to **approve leasing a printer from the Gordon Flesch company for the Village Hall for 60 months for \$213.02/month**. Tr. Togliatti seconds. Motion carries with 6 ayes (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) – 0 nays – 0 abstain – 0 absent

I. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- A. ATTORNEY** - Chris Dearth
- Tax Levy Ordinance will be on next month's agenda
- Cenergy will be submitting permits to start construction
- B. ENGINEER** - Matt Halloran None
- C. CLERK** - Jennifer Hamerla None
- D. TREASURER** - Lakin Elliott None
- E. WATER CLERK** - Mary Jane Larson Not Present
- F. FINANCE** - Nicole Shain None
- G. MAINTENANCE** - Charlie Shain
- Discussed a weed barrier and putting pea gravel around playground
- H. STREETS & ALLEYS** - Laura Emling
- Inquired about condemning the house located at 715 N. 5th St.
- I. WATER & SEWER** - Jim Rodgers None
- J. PARK** - Lori Togliatti None
- K. MAYOR** - Adam Johnson
- Issues at 7th St. lift station
- Getting new tarps for Beer Garden
- Getting plows on trucks

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tr. Emling. Tr. Rodgers seconds. Motion carries with 6 ayes (Trustees Emling, Harper, Rodgers, C. Shain, N. Shain and Togliatti) - 0 nays - 0 abstain - 0 absent

ATTEST: 

TITLE: Village Clerk

DATE: 10/07/2025