

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ARGENTA, ILLINOIS
#25-09-15 R09
MONDAY AUGUST 15, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.
VILLAGE HALL, 330 N WARREN STREET, ARGENTA, ILLINOIS

Call to Order: Mayor Luedke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Mayor Luedke and Trustees Kaufman, Grider, Todd Mesker, Berry, and Kevin Metsker were present. Trustee Ryan was absent. Clerk Sherry Koszesza, Public Works Director Derick Fisher were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2025, #25-08-15 R08
2. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2025, #2025-08-15 SM01
3. Approval of Disbursements #25-09-15D09
4. Approval of Bank Reconciliations #25-09-15 BR09
 - A motion was made by Trustee Grider with a second by Trustee T. Metsker to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Kaufman =	Yes	Berry	=	Yes
Grider =	Yes	Ryan	=	Absent
T Metsker=	Yes	K Metsker =		Yes

Motion carried.

Public Comment: There was none.

Recognition of Visitors: There were none.

Department Reports:

1. Village Staff Reports. The water tower work is finished, and the tower has been filled. Utility Services will send us a report soon. The pressure tanks are being removed this week. Last Wednesday there was a main break on Park St.
2. Mayor's Report. Mayor Luedke has signed the easement with Ameren for the solar project. There is still no word from the Winings Grant. We have not heard anything about the LPF Grant (IDOT Sidewalks) either. Matt Foster said that the bill is sitting on the Governor's desk waiting for a signature. Mayor Luedke will be contacting the attorney about the Roger's property. No progress has been made on the cleanup of that property. Trick or Treat hours will be October 31 from 5-8. Trustee K. Metsker asked about the bill for the water main break on Elm Street. Sherry has not seen that bill yet. Trustee K. Metsker asked about the house on N North Street that is overgrown. He has a rental house that it is affecting. She has until Sept 29th to clean the property, or we will. Trustee Kaufman asked if Mayor Luedke had found out anything about the building on North Street that is up for a tax sale. She has not.
3. Attorney's Report. There was none.

Old Business:

- Discussion regarding the electric scooter and parental responsibility ordinances. Sgt. Atkins was here and gave the Board a handout summarizing the electric scooters and bicycles. The bicycles have 3 classes and different rules for all 3. Trustee K. Metsker asked about the one-wheels. There is no law regarding them yet. Low speed scooters are wholly illegal on all roads and sidewalks now. Electric bikes are legal. Toy vehicles are not addressed in the State Law.

Mayor Luedke asked Sgt. Atkins if he was familiar with the Parental Responsibility ordinances. Ron has not seen that yet. There are several towns that have this ordinance. Westville answered Mayor Luedke's email. They have had the ordinance for several years. It has helped to some extent. Sgt. Atkins likes the idea of that sort of ordinance. He said it is a more direct way to deal with these problems.

The Board would like to see a written ordinance for the Parental Responsibility.

Mayor Luedke showed the Board the renderings of the new Water Plant.

New Business: There was no new business.

Closed Session:

Open Session:

Adjournment

- A motion was made by Trustee Berry with a second by Trustee K. Metsker to adjourn at 6:47 p.m.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Kaufman = Yes	Berry = Yes
Grider = Yes	Ryan = Absent
T Metsker = Yes	K Metsker = Yes

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes taken by Clerk Sherry Koszesza