

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE OF THE VILLAGE OF METTAWA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE HOUR OF 6:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2026 IN THE COTTONWOOD ROOM A

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Towne called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Upon a call of the roll, the following persons were:

Present: Chairman Towne and Members Armstrong and Smolic

Absent: None

Chairman Towne declared a quorum present.

Attendees: Village Clerk, Sandy Gallo; Village Administrator, Mandi Florip; Village Engineer, Scott Anderson; Trustee Clark

Resident: Loren Hutter and Stephen & Cindy Blandin

C. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER

The minutes of the regular meeting for November 12, 2025 were reviewed. It was moved by Member Smolic and seconded by Member Armstrong that the regular meeting minutes be approved and placed on file. The motion was carried.

D. UPDATE OF THE PRIVATE RETENTION PONDS INLETS AND OUTFALLS AND MAINTENANCE REQUIRED

Chairman Towne stated Engineer Jamie Anderson drove the village to assess each private culvert and make recommendations. The following information will be sent by James Anderson Company to each subdivision HOA or members, as an action item. Chairman Towne commented the report had no location indicating any major concerns. This assessment will be added to a 4-year schedule.

Mr. Hutter asked if the results will be shared. A report was provided to Mr. Hutter, and any questions will be directed to James Anderson Company.

E. DISCUSS ANY FOLLOW-UP ITEMS FROM THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SWALE AT MACLEAN PRESERVE AT OASIS PARK

Chairman Towne commented this area is draining well. Chairman Towne asked that the swale area be mowed to keep it maintained. Member Witten stated he agreed the water is flowing well but due to the colder weather no backup has been experienced to date.

F. DISCUSS FISCAL PROJECTS FOR THE UPCOMING BUDGET

Chairman Towne stated he would like to ensure we capture the village shoulders to be addressed after the snow plowing season. Village Engineer Scott Anderson added the usual practice to repair the shoulders is in July. This will allow us to treat the weeds and smooth out the stones. Chairman Town indicated Lake County Forest Preserve trees are falling onto the wires along St. Mary's

Road. Unfortunately, these are dangerous situations that occur, as they are not being proactive on the mature tree trimming. Chairman Towne asked if Village Administrator Florip could write a letter to Lake County about clearing trees on the wires. In addition, a large tree fell on Old School Road, however this was the homeowner's issue. A capital project would include repairing the drainage ditch on the north south area on Bradley Road. Chairman Towne indicated he will have Hey & Associates or James Anderson investigate this area. Member Smolic asked if the Old School Road drainage can be addressed by adding R5 boulders to support the drainage and not create erosion. Chairman Towne agreed the larger boulders would be a good solution to support the drainage.

G. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY APPEAR TO THE COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION, AND IF APPROVED, BE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chairman Towne stated resident Steve Thomas, submitted a complaint of the speeding cars on the east side of Old School Road by the railroad. Chairman Towne asked Village Administrator to call Lincolnshire to post themselves by the train track Stop sign since cars are not adhering to the signage.

Chairman Towne reported Milieu Design is not clearing the snow well this season. Village Administrator Florip suggested a conference call to be held with Milieu Design to clarify Mettawa's expectations to our contract.

H. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Member Smolic and seconded by Member Armstrong to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 pm. The motion was carried.

Sandy Gallo, Village Clerk