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, MAY 13, 2026, IN THE COTTONWOOD ROOM A

A. CALL TO ORDER0

Chairman Towne called the meeting to order at 6:00 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, Robert Mann located at 15460 W Little St. Mary's Road

C. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL

The minutes of the regular meeting for April 8, 2026, were reviewed. It was moved by Member Smolic and seconded by Chairman Towne that the regular meeting minutes be approved and placed on file. The motion was carried.

D. UPDATE ON THE PLAN FOR THE OLD SCHOOL ROAD DITCH RESTORATION

Chairman Towne indicated the Forest Builders Inc proposal amount was mostly due to the manual labor involved for this project. The stones will need to be placed strategically within the bottom of the ditch; this will be very strenuous. Mr. Mann stated he observed the ditch and the water was not flowing well. He questioned if adding stones will actually improve the water flow. Member Smolic added this ditch always has standing water. Chairman Towne stated with keeping the weeds low and removing the build-up of silt, these stones will be an improvement. In addition, the village hires Clarke Mosquito to treat standing water areas to reduce mosquitos. Chairman Towne commented residents along the road should also be clearing some of the debris that is collecting in the ditch, such as leaves and other debris. Member Smolic stated the center area of this ditch is very deep, and asked if some regrading will occur in the narrow areas. Village Engineer Scott added they will be scouring the ditch while placing the stones. Trustee Clarke asked if stones will be placed in the whole ditch area. Member Clarke indicated where the retainer wall was built last year – the sides are falling into the ditch. Member Smolic added west of Pegaso Farm is a large mound of material, and asked if that be addressed. Chairman Towne added this ditch will be improved to fix the standing water issue. Village Engineering added the proposal was based on the loads of stones estimated.

A motion was made to approval Forest Builders Inc proposal for the Old School Road ditch restoration in the amount not to exceed $ 12,000. The motion was moved by the Member Smolic and seconded by Chairman Towne. The motion was carried.

E. FURTHER DISCUSS THE MAINTENANCE TO THE NORTHEASTERLY DRAINAGE LOCATED AT MACLEAN PRESERVE AT OASIS PARK

Chairman Towne indicated the culvert that goes under Bradley Road should be cleaned. No slope was found in the area when visiting the site. However, clearing the mound of the debris from the drain will improve the water flow. Chairman Towne asked the Village Engineer to provide a proposal for this drainage cleaning for the June meeting.

F. DISCUSS THE PROPOSAL FOR THE SHOULDER MAINTENANCE PLAN THROUGOUT THE VILLAGE

Village Engineer Scott provided the Committee a proposal from Forest Builders in the amount of $19,100 for the shoulder maintenance. Chairman Towne indicated several areas will need to be graded prior to adding the material.

A motion was made to approve the Forest Builders proposal for the shoulder maintenance in the amount of $19,100. The motion was moved by Member Smolic and seconded by Chairman Towne. The motion was carried.

Chairman Towne indicated to the Village Engineer the priority of projects goes as following; complete the shoulder maintenance, Old School Road ditch and then the Maclean Preserve at Oasis Park drainage cleaning.

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 the Hilton Garden Inn is once again experiencing Cadillac converters being removed from guest cars. A police report was documented by the hotel. A few trees have fallen within the village. Chaiman Towne added to continue to lock your car and home doors at all times.

H. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Member Smolic and seconded by Member Armstrong to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 pm. The motion was carried.

Sandy Gallo, Village Clerk