

VILLAGE HALL OF HARRISTOWN

February 23, 2026

The Village of Harristown Board of Trustees held their monthly meeting on February 23, 2026 at 185 N. Kembark St, Harristown, IL. Trustees Jay Trusner, Kurt Terry, Jeff Eller, Kevin Vessels, April Bogan, Treasurer Teresa Acree, Budget Officer Rick Laskowski, Attorney Joshua Dubbelde, Clerk Penny Allen and Mayor Les Jenkins were present. Trustee Jamie Jackson was absent. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adopt Meeting Agenda

Motion by Trustee Trusner to adopt the meeting agenda. Trustee Eller 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Approve Minutes

Motion by Trustee Eller to approve regular board meeting minutes from January 26, 2026. Trustee Trusner 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Visitors

Jay Billingsley-owner of Billingsley service station was present and discussed the desire to partner with the Village to offer bulk water services. He requested the Village to furnish the 2" water meter and waive permit/tap fees. Cost will be approximately \$93,000. Burdick will be doing the work. It will sit on a concrete slab and will need 4" water main line off Wyckles main.

Mayor's Report

Racino -no updated news regarding this.

Township Building Fire-we are letting them use some the village hall for storing their stuff and to use if needed

Approve bills over \$1,000

Smith and Loveless \$ 2417.92 replace spare parts General Fund

Motion by Trustee Trusner to approve the above additional bill for a total of \$ 2417.92. Trustee Vessels 2nd. Approved 5-0

Treasurers Report

Treasurer Acree discussed. She stated the Ameren bills have been high; \$8,000 last month.

Motion by Trustee Vessels to accept the Treasurer report. Trustee Terry 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Budget Officers Report

BO Laskowski discussed. Motion by Trustee Trusner to accept report. Trustee Eller 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Old Business

Nothing to discuss.

Engineers Report -Nothing to discuss

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Public Works

Three leaks this month

Jonathan Closs stated he did attend a conference this month also.

Zoning Officers Report-nothing to report

New Business

Budget Meeting date -March 16, 2026 at 5:30 pm will be the 2026-2027 budget study session.

Bulk Water Station-Board is good with water costs 20% on what we pay. Board is good with the agreement presented. Would like to take the money from the business fund and not to exceed \$50,000. Attorney will write up an agreement.

Traffic Signal Maintenance-the state wants to do maintenance on the cabinets. Cost is \$950; we would pay and then be reimbursed from the state. The Board is ok with this.

SVHS Sports Calendar- Motion by Trustee Vessels to purchase an ad for the calendar for a cost of \$299. Trustee Terry 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Committee Reports

Public Works

Jonathan is concerned about water usage when the towers are filling. Every time Latham or Niantic calls for water while we are filling, our usage shows high. He feels something is not reading correctly. Discrepancies in meter readings and actual usage when Niantic and Latham call for water which is delivered from our tower. Jonathan and Trustee Vessels are going to try and set up a meeting with URWC to figure out a way to check out the problems of the differences in usage. Jonathan would like them to turn on their pumps every time Latham and Niantic calls for water for a couple of weeks to see what it shows.

Ordinance - nothing to report

Personnel – nothing to report

Business – nothing to report

Attorney – nothing to report

Motion by Trustee Trusner to adjourn. Trustee Eller 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm

Penny J. Allen – Village Clerk

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