

VILLAGE OF LOAMI  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
September 12, 2024

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ROLL CALL

***TRUSTEES***

Jay Branson	ABSENT
Stephen Grider	PRESENT
Todd Lawson	PRESENT
Rose Mann	PRESENT
Greg Patterson	PRESENT
Aaron Pippin	PRESENT

***VILLAGE OFFICIALS***

Steven Lambert, Mayor	PRESENT
Carissa Grider, Village Clerk	PRESENT
Brad Colantino, Treasurer	PRESENT
Stan Workman, Chief of Police	PRESENT
Anthony Schuering, Village Attorney	PRESENT

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Mayor Lambert opened the Regular Board Meeting up at 6 PM.

**MAYOR UPDATE:** Mayor Lambert stated there was a public meeting for the OSLAD grant on September 5, 2024 and that there was great support from the public.

Mayor Lambert stated that each department trustee, the Mayor and Treasurer Colantino will meet to review the 2024/2025 budget.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Colantino presented the August 2024 treasurer's report to the board for approval. Trustee Patterson made a motion to accept the report as presented to the board. Trustee Lawson seconded the motion. Vote taken; motion carried. Roll call – Grider – Aye, Lawson – Aye, Mann – Aye, Patterson – Aye, Pippin – Aye, Nay – 0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Clerk Grider presented the August 8, 2024, Regular Board Meeting minutes for approval. Trustee Grider made a motion to approve the minutes. Trustee Pippin seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Clerk Grider presented the July 25, 2024, Special Board Meeting minutes for approval. Trustee Patterson made a motion to approve the minutes. Trustee Lawson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Clerk Grider presented the September 5, 2024, Special Board Meeting minutes for approval. Trustee Patterson made a motion to approve the minutes. Trustee Grider seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:** Clerk Grider presented the unpaid bills to the board for approval. Trustee Grider made a motion to approve the unpaid bills as presented to the board. Trustee Patterson seconded the motion. Vote taken; motion carried. Roll call – Grider – Aye, Lawson – Aye, Mann – Aye, Patterson – Aye, Pippin – Aye, Nay – 0.

**VISITORS:**

Jason Combs addressed the board and stated he is working on his dad's property on Elm Street. Jason asked the board if he could remove the semi-trailer that is located at his dad's property

on Elm Street and move it to his property on Main Street. He stated he will then remove and scrap the trailer on his property on Main Street. Jason asked the board's permission to complete this. Trustee Patterson stated he doesn't seem like this would be a problem, but the village would need to do a variance of the ordinance. Mayor Lambert stated he will look into doing a variance of the ordinance and get back to Jason Combs.

Jason Combs stated that here is a sinkhole in his backyard and asked the board to help fix it. Trustee Patterson stated we need to assess the situation, and we will get back with Jason. Jason stated the sinkhole on the south side of his home was hit but the fiber company and they stated they would fix it but they have not fixed it.

Gerianne Mazrim addressed the board as a member of the committee for the reservoir. She would like to do two (2) dates a year to clean up around the reservoir. She also stated the committee will be doing a trivia night, silent auction and 50/50 on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. These events are to raise funds for a memorial bench at the reservoir for Al Mann. The committee would like to have a dedication in May 2025. Mayor Lambert asked that Gerianne get with the Public Works about placement of the memorial bench.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Lori Milosevich from Estes, Bridgewater & Odgen reviewed the 2023/2024 fiscal year audit for the Village of Loami. Lori stated Estes, Bridgewater & Odgen will be closing at the end of 2024, but she will have her own audit business and will keep the Village of Loami as a client.

Clerk Grider stated that the Consolidated Election will be on April 1, 2025, and there are three (3) trustee seats open.

Clerk Grider stated at the October 2024 regular board meeting she will present the 2024/2025 Tax Levy to be approved. Clerk Grider gave the board members the calculations for the tax levy to review.

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**PARKS** – Trustee Patterson inquired about letting a portion of the park to grow wheat. Trustee Grider stated it looks nice with the mowed grass and doesn't believe growing wheat in the area will be beneficial. Mayor Lambert stated he appreciated Trustee Patterson looking into revenue for the village.

**STREETS DEPARTMENT** – Trustee Pippin stated he will re-evaluate the parking at the square. Trustee Pippin asked Public Works Superintendent Kyle Langenfeld to drop off the "No Parking" signs to Dallas Stephenson who owns the Loami County Market so he can put up the sign.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT** – Chief Workman stated the police department was normal for the month of August. Chief Workman stated the speed trailer is at the Village of Loami. Trustee Patterson stated he believes there is a rooster near his home. Chief Workman stated he will

look into this. Chief Workman submitted the Police Report to the board, which is on file at the Clerk's office.

**PERMITS** – Trustee Mann stated there were two (2) permits issued for August.

**DELINQUENT BILLS** – Trustee Grider stated there was one (1) shutoff for the month of August.

**WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT** – Trustee Grider stated pumps for the sewer lagoon have been ordered. Trustee Grider stated that the pump stations building, and sewer lagoon building will be painted soon.

**PUBLIC SAFETY** – Chief Workman stated he, Mayor Lambert and Trustee Mann meet to discuss ordinance violations. Mayor Lambert stated the process is we issue violations once a year and no follow happens. Mayor Lambert would like to get better organization, timelines and consistent enforcement for ordinance violations.

With no further business at hand, Trustee Grider made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting; Trustee Pippin seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The next regular board meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Thursday, October 10, 2024.

Respectively Submitted,  
Carissa E. Grider, Village Clerk