

Village of Pocahontas
Rescheduled Regular Meeting Minutes
February 2nd, 2026

The Village of Pocahontas held its rescheduled regular meeting on Monday, February 2nd, 2026 at the Village Hall, 101 W. Kavanaugh St., Pocahontas, IL 62275.

Mayor Pat Forhan called the meeting to order at 7PM.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken with the following trustees present: Allie Hunter, Brenda Kleinik, Adam Evans, and Shannon Links. Danny Beard and Dave Crawford were absent from the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Discussion was had discussing a spot for the community garden at the park. When the weather is nicer location will be determined at the park. Water sources will be determined then as well.

SWEARING IN OF DEPUTY CLERK RACHEL TERRY

Pat Forhan swore in the new Deputy Clerk, Rachel Terry.

APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES

Motion by Shannon seconded by Allie to approve the December 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. Roll call vote: Allie, yes; Brenda, yes; Adam, yes; Shannon, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

MAYOR'S REPORT

*Clarification was given on the guidelines for posting committee meeting minutes on the village website. Since committees are not a governing body, the minutes are not required to be posted per state statute.

*The Village was made aware of the desire to open an RV Park in front of the Tahoe Commons. The owner wanting to do this project was to attend the meeting but was not present. Discussion was had regarding what type of RV Park it would be (24 hours/overnight vs. long term stays). The Village will make consideration once more information is presented.

*Bond Madison does a free water fee assessment to determine if the village is charging enough for water service. The village is looking into getting this set up.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Shannon seconded by Allie to approve the Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote: Allie, yes; Brenda, yes; Adam, yes; Shannon, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC WORKS

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Both employees in the Public Works Department are leaving their positions at the Village of Pocahontas. There will be a lapse in time where there is no one in the department. Discussion was had to have the starting pay at a competitive rate for the market.

POLICE REPORT

Still no police officers for the Village of Pocahontas. The Charger that was getting worked on won't run now and it would be costly to tow it back. The village sold the Charger at \$250.

PAVILION RENTAL FEES

Motion by Adam seconded by Shannon to amend the pavilion fees to \$50 with \$25 returned to the payee if the pavilions are cleaned up afterwards. Roll call vote: Allie, yes; Brenda, yes; Adam, yes; Shannon, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

LIQUOR LICENSES

Most all businesses have paid for and received their liquor licenses besides 2.

REMOVAL OF AMANDA MAROON FROM VILLAGE BANK ACCOUNTS

Motion by Shannon seconded by Allie to remove Amanda Maroon from all village bank accounts. Roll call vote: Allie, yes; Brenda, yes; Adam, yes; Shannon, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

RAISE FOR EMPLOYEES

Motion by Shannon seconded by Allie to give Gabby a \$1/hour raise. Roll call vote: Allie, yes; Brenda, yes; Adam, yes; Shannon, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Allie seconded by Adam to adjourn at 7:33PM. Roll call vote: Allie, yes; Brenda, yes; Adam, yes; Shannon, yes. Motion carried 4-0.