

**RANTOUL VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR STUDY SESSION
DECEMBER 3, 2024**

LOUIS B. SCHELLING MEMORIAL BOARD ROOM
RANTOUL MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 333 S. TANNER, RANTOUL, IL

A Regular Study Session of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rantoul was held at at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Smith called the proceeding to order.

Roll Call

The Clerk called the roll, finding the following members present:

Mayor Smith, Trustees Wilson, Robertson, Crider, Hall, Workman and Weathersby – 7

The following representatives of Village departments were also present:
Scott Eisenhauer, Administrator; Tony Brown, Police Chief; Chad Smith, Fire Chief;
Angela Schultz, Comptroller; Chris Milliken, Zoning and Planning; Tana Ward,
Executive Assistant, Audio/Visual; David Wesner, Attorney and Janet Gray, Village
Clerk.

Presentation

Kelly Daly, President and CEO of Eastern Illinois Foodbank gave a presentation.
Amanda Borden VP assisted with the presentation. The Foodbank serves 18 counties in
Central Illinois. They also bring the food mobile to downtown Rantoul serving over 50
households.

Approval of Agenda

Trustee Hall moved to approve the agenda. Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion.
On a roll call vote:

AYE: Hall, Robertson, Crider, Workman, Weathersby and Wilson – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Public Participation

Mayor Smith opened the public comment portion of the meeting per the Open Meetings
Act. No individuals registered prior to the meeting with the Village Clerk.

Items from Trustees

Trustee Crider encouraged everyone to sign up to ring the bells for Salvation Army. Go
to their main page and sign up or contact Margarete Carter.

Trustee Weathersby said Head Start is collecting coats, hats and mittens for children of
all ages.

Trustee Hall said the First United Methodist Church and Dreeam are hosting a Coat drive. The Methodist church is collecting coats for Preschool children and Dreeam is collecting for the Elementary Schools and the Jr. High School. You can drop coats off at the First Methodist Church.

Items from the Mayor

- A. Christmas in the Village with Santa's Workshop will be held on Saturday, December 7 from 1:00 - 5:00 pm in Downtown Rantoul.
- B. Light up Rantoul Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 7 at 5:00 pm.
- C. The Senior Christmas Luncheon will be Thursday, December 12 at the Rantoul Youth Center. Call 217-893-5700 to RSVP.
- D. Breakfast with Santa will be Saturday, December 14 at the Rantoul Youth Center. Call 217-893-5700 to RSVP.
- E. The Village has received the plaque that will be set up at the Missile.

Items from Clerk

- A. Minutes of November 5, 2024 Regular Study Session
- B. Minutes of November 12, 2024 Board Meeting
- C. Board Meeting Schedule for 2025

These minutes will go to the Board for approval.

Items from Human Resources

- A. The November 2024 Village Applicant Demographics Report is in the Board Packet.
- B. Village Career opportunities were also listed in the Board Packet.

Items from Comptroller

No items to report.

Items from Police Department

No items to report.

Items from Fire Department

No items to report.

Items from Building & Environmental Safety

No items to report.

Items from Community Development

- A. The department requested the approval of Ordinance 2785, an Ordinance Amending and Restating a Small Business Revolving Loan Fund. This outlines the new guidelines.

- B. Chris Milliken gave an update on the Downtown Project. The Water/Sewer work is going well. There are still some individual water/sewer lines to be completed. The design plans for the streets have been completed. There will be an open house in the Board Room on December 19 from 5-7 pm for the public to review these plans. Some of the items brought forward by the public have been included in the scope of the plans.

Item A will go to the Board for approval.

Items from the Parks and Recreation

No items to report.

Items from Public Works

No items to report

Items from Administrator

- A. Ordinance 2779, an Ordinance Levying Taxes for the 2024 Tax Levy Year in the amount of \$1,888,828.00.
- B. Ordinance 2780, An Ordinance Authorizing Abatement of Tax Levy for the 2024 Tax Levy for the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013A, as Authorized by Ordinance 2358 – paid from Wastewater Fund. Retires January 2025.
- C. Ordinance 2781, An Ordinance Authorizing Abatement of Tax Levy for the 2024 Tax Levy for the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2015, as Authorized by Ordinance 2410 – paid out of Wastewater, Water and Storm Water Drainage Funds. Retires January 2027.
- D. Ordinance 2782, an Ordinance Authorizing Abatement of Tax Levy for the 2024 Tax Levy for the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016, as Authorized by Ordinance 2472 - paid from Water, EDC, General Fund, Local MFT, Storm Water Drainage and MFT Funds. Retires January 2036.
- E. Ordinance 2783, an Ordinance Authorizing Abatement of Tax Levy for the 2024 Tax Levy for the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2019, as Authorized by Ordinance 2617 - paid from Wastewater Funds. Retires January 2033.
- F. Ordinance 2784, an Ordinance Authorizing Abatement of Tax Levy for the 2024 Tax Levy for the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020, as Authorized by Ordinance 2665 – paid by the Sports Complex funds and TIF Revenue. Retires January 2041.
- G. Reminder Notice about Snow Routes (Village Code Chapter 38, Article XI) The Administrator reminded the citizens that the Village changed the Ordinance to allow the Village to declare a Snow Route Emergency if there is a projection of 3 inch or more snow in the forecast. This is to allow the citizens an opportunity to move their vehicles and clear those routes before the snow falls.
- H. The Administrator discussed the layout of the proposed relocation of the offices in the Municipal Building.

Items A through F will go to the Board for approval.

Items from Counsel

No items to Report

Closed Session

Trustee Crider moved to enter into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 6, to consider the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body
Trustee Hall seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Crider, Robertson, Hall, Workman, Weathersby and Wilson – 6

NAYS: None -0.

Motion carried 6-0

The Board entered into Closed session at 7:10 pm.

The Board returned to Open session at 7:28 pm.

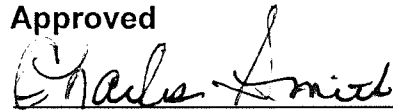
Meeting Adjourned

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:28 pm

Respectfully submitted,

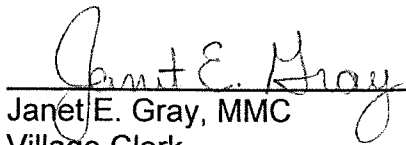
Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk

Approved

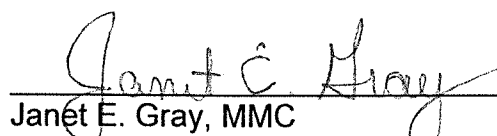


Charles Smith
Village President

ATTEST:


Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk

I, Janet E. Gray, Village Clerk of the Village of Rantoul, Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Study Session of the Board of Trustees held December 3, as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.


Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk