

**RANTOUL VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR STUDY SESSION
JULY 1, 2025**

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 Hall called the proceeding to order.

Roll Call

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

Mayor Hall, Trustees Workman, Crider, Wilson, Graham, Robertson and Haines – 7.

The following representatives of Village departments were also present:

Scott Eisenhauer, Administrator; Tony Brown, Police Chief; Chad Smith, Fire Chief; Angela Schultz, Comptroller; Luke Humphrey, Recreation & Parks Director; Jake McCoy, Public Works Director; Chad Isley, Assistant Public Works Director; Tana Ward, Executive Assistant, Audio/Visual; and Janet Gray, Village Clerk

Approval of Agenda

Trustee Robertson moved to approve the agenda with the removal of Item 14-C the purchase of a Dump Truck. Trustee Crider seconded the motion. On a roll call vote:

YEAS: Robertson, Haines, Workman, Crider, Wilson and Graham – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Public Participation

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

Items from Trustees

Trustee Crider stated a renter contacted her regarding an issue with her landlord. Trustee Crider would like to review the Ordinances to see what the Village can do so that residents can get clear information from their landlord including a timeline of when their concern will be resolved.

Items from the Mayor

- A. Appointment of the Village Freedom of Information Officer. The Mayor will bring these names to the Board next week.
- B. The Mayor congratulated Angela Schultz, Village Comptroller who has been appointed to the Eastern Illinois Foodbank Board of Directors.

Items from Clerk

- A. Minutes of June 3, 2025 Study Session
- B. Minutes of June 10, 2025 Board Meeting

The minutes will go to the Board for approval.

Items from Human Resources

- A. Village Career opportunities were listed in the Board Packet.

Items from Comptroller

No items to report.

Items from Police Department

No items to report.

Items from Fire Department

- A. The Rantoul Fire Department and Arrow Ambulance will host an Open House at the Rantoul Fire Station 1 (101 E. Grove Street) on Wednesday, July 23 at 6:00 pm. Arrow Ambulance is now the EMS provider for the community. Air Life will bring in their helicopter to the intersection of Grove and Kentucky.

Items from Community Planning and Development

No items to report.

Items from the Parks and Recreation

No items to report.

Items from Public Works

- A. The Department presented an Electric Cost of Service Financial Projection, and Rate Design Summary for Fiscal Years 2026 to 2030 prepared by Utility Financial Services. Dan Kasbohm, from Utility Financial Services reviewed the report. He said that some capital projects had come up that were not part of the original review. The funding proposes a \$18 million bond for 20 years at 4%. The Board selected Option C – 4.5% increase in November 2025 and a 4.5% each May starting May 2026 through May 2030.
- B. The Department requested the approval of an Engineering Agreement for the Engineering and Design of the Prospect Substation Feeder Exits with BHMG Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$263,000.00. This cost is included in the FY 2026 Reserves Budget.
- C. The request to purchase a Dump Truck was removed from the Agenda.
- D. The Department requested the approval to purchase two FLYGT Submersible Pumps for Pump Station #1543 from Vandevanter Engineering in the amount of \$66,785.51, with a \$10,000.00 Contingency Fund. Vandevanter Engineering is the only company that carries the FLYGT Brand.

Items A, B and D will go to the Board for approval.

Items from Administrator

- A. The Administrator requested the approval of Ordinance 2800 Amending Chapter 2 "Administration" of the Village Code Adding Article VI "Administrative Adjudication". This Ordinance would allow the Village to address Ordinance violations in a timelier fashion as well as allow for payment of any penalties to be made directly to the Village. A Hearing Officer would conduct the hearings, except for traffic regulation offenses and offenses committed by an individual fifteen years or younger.
- B. The Administrator requested the approval of Ordinance 2799 Implementing a Municipal Grocery Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax for the Village Effective January 1, 2026. This Ordinance would allow the Village to continue collecting the tax at the same rate currently in place.
- C. The Administrator requested the approval of Resolution 7-25-1438 authorizing the addition of a Bank Signatory for Village Accounts. This would allow Mayor Hall to sign and endorse checks and conduct other banking activities as necessary to carry out the official business of the Village.
- D. The Administrator announced that Rantoul has been selected to host the American Legion State Baseball Tournament July 30 through August 2. The events will start with a Banquet on July 29. The Administrator thanked the Recreation and Sports Complex staff who put together the bid. There is an opportunity for public participation. They will need honor guards for flag presentations and national anthem singers. This information will be listed on the Village social media site.

Items A, B and C will go to the Board for approval.

Items from Counsel

No items to Report.

Announcements

- A. Coffee with a Cop will be Thursday, July 3 from 8:00-10:00 am at Dunkin' Donuts, 402 S. Century Blvd.
- B. Freedom Celebration Fireworks will be Thursday, July 3 at dusk at the Rantoul National Aviation Center Airport.
- C. Rantoul Rotary Pancake & Sausage Breakfast will be Friday, July 4 from 7:00-11:00 am in the Rantoul Township High School Cafetorium.
- D. Independence Day Parade will be Friday, July 4 at 10:00 am. It starts on Maplewood Drive and ends at Wabash Park.
- E. Freedom Fridays will be July 11, 18, & 25 from 6:00-9:00 pm at the Hap Parker Family Aquatic Center.
- F. Congresswoman Robin Kelly and State Senator Paul Faraci will have their Mobile Office at the Rantoul Business Center on Wednesday, July 16 from 10:00 am -1:00 pm.
- G. Senior Luncheon will be Thursday, July 17 at 11:30 am at the Rantoul Recreation Department. Call 217-893-5703 to RSVP.
- H. A Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event will be Saturday, August 9 at the State Farm Center, SW parking lot. Register at hhwevent.simplybook.me.

Closed Session

Trustee Workman move to enter into Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 21, for the discussion of Minutes of meetings lawfully Closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for the purposes of approval by the body of the Minutes or semiannual review of the Minutes as mandated. Trustee Graham seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Workman, Crider, Wilson, Graham, Robertson and Haines – 6.

NAYS: None - 0.

Motion carried 6-0.

The Board entered into Closed session at 7:15 pm.

The Board returned to Open session at 7:24 pm.

Trustee Crider stated she would like to have a level of civility among the Trustees when discussing issues.

Meeting Adjourned

Trustee Robertson moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Graham seconded the motion. On a roll call vote:

YEAS: Robertson, Haines, Workman, Crider, Wilson and Graham – 6.

NAYS: None - 0.

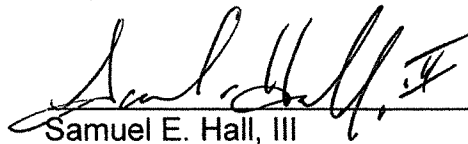
Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

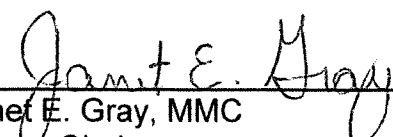
Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk

Approved



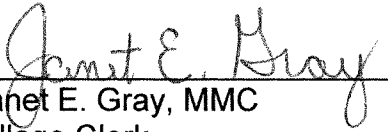
Samuel E. Hall, III
Village President

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 July 1, 2025 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.



Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk