

**RANTOUL VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR STUDY SESSION
JANUARY 6, 2026**

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; Angela Schultz, Comptroller; Jake McCoy, Public Works Director; Chad Isley, Assistant Public Works Director; Debbie Sage, Human Resources; Tana Ward, Executive Assistant, Audio/Visual; David Wesner, Attorney and Janet Gray, Village Clerk

Approval of Agenda

Trustee Crider moved to approve the agenda. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion. On a roll call vote:

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

- Debbra Sweat asked about the barb wire that has been install along Perimeter Road. She asked if the Village was working on replacing that wire. She also spoke regarding the condition of the roads. She said that the current patching practice is not working. She is concerned about vehicles using the path on Harper Dr.

Items from the Mayor

- Wished everyone a Happy New Year; looking forward to a new year of opportunities.
- Informed the citizens that there is a special board meeting on Thursday at 5:00 pm. for strategic planning.

Items from Trustees

- Trustee Haines said she had talked to the Church and the Administrator regarding the barb wire. The Administrator has not heard from the Church to make sure the wire was not placed on their property for their behalf.
- Trustee Robertson said the Village had discussed the situation. The Administrator said the Village received information that the barb wire had been requested by the church.
- Trustee Haines was concerned that it had been hard to reach the various departments over the holidays. The Administrator clarified that every department and every building was staffed every day during the holidays.
- Trustee Crider asked if there could be a discussion regarding the garbage pickup. The pickup has been spotty. The Administrator can ask a representative from GFL to come and address the board. He also asked the citizens to reach out to the Village if they have a problem.
- Trustee Haines asked the Administrator if he had checked about the union stickers on the Village vehicles. He stated he is working on that.
- Trustee Robertson said he would not be at the Board meeting next week. He said that he felt the Board members should be respectful to each other.

Items from Clerk

- A. Minutes of the December 2, 2025 Truth in Taxation Public Hearing
- B. Minutes of December 2, 2025 Study Session
- C. Minutes of December 9, 2025 Board Meeting
- D. Revised 2026 Board Meeting Schedule for November due to additions to the Open Meetings Act that do not allow meetings on election days.

These items will go to the Board for approval.

Items from Human Resources

- A. Village Applicant Demographic Report and Seasonal Job opportunities were listed in the Board Packet. The HR Manager mentioned the openings at the Sports Complex and Aquatic Center.

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 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 is requesting the approval of a Construction Contract Final Change Order #5 with Grunloh Building Inc. for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Systems Project (Phase 1) in the amount of \$38,132.26 which makes the new contract value \$15,742,457.25. The Change Order will be funded out of the contingency amount of the loan for the Wastewater Project.
- B. The Department is requesting the approval to purchase Transformers for the construction of the New Prospect Electric Substation Project from Pfiffner Instrument Transformers Ltd. in the amount of \$47,700.00, with a contingency of \$7,155.00. BHMGM recommends awarding the contract to Pfiffner. This purchase was included in the FY 2026 Reserves Budget.
- C. The Department is requesting the approval of a Service Agreement with Hoerr Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$61,480.00, with a contingency of \$6,000.00 for the storm sewer cleaning, cured in place pipe, and televising project from US 136 to Wabash Ave.

These items will go to the Board for approval.

Items from Administrator

No items to report.

Items from Counsel

Trustee Haines asked the Counselor if the Village was collecting the fines for the Home Theater. He said the Court entered a payment schedule and the owner is current on those payments. She also asked if VanFam had paid off their loan. The Administrator said VanFam was making regular payments but had not paid off the loan. The Village holds their equipment as collateral.

Announcements

- A. The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 40th Annual Countywide Celebration will be held Sunday, January 18 at 5:00 pm at Krannert Center, 500 S. Goodwin Ave, Urbana. Doors open at 4:00 pm.
- B. The Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Breakfast will be held Monday, January 19 at 8:00 - 10:30 am at the Vineyard Church, 1500 N. Lincoln Ave, Urbana.
- C. The MLK Living the Dream Scholarship Opportunity is offered at mlkcu.com. This is a scholarship for High School Seniors.

Closed Session

Trustee Robertson moved to enter into closed session

- A. Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 1, to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee and
- B. Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 2, to consider collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees

- C. Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 5, to consider the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired
- D. 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 semi-annual review of the Minutes as mandated

Trustee Crider 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 Board entered into Closed session at 6:45 pm.

The Board returned to Open session at 7:14 pm.

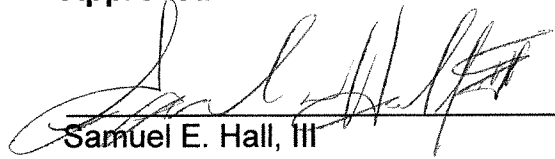
Meeting Adjourned

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

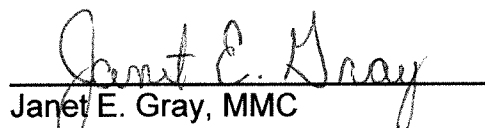
Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk

Approved



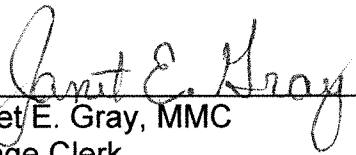
Samuel E. Hall, III
Village President

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 January 6une 3, 2026 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.



Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk