

**RANTOUL VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
June 16, 2026**

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

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rantoul was held at 6:00 pm. President Hall presiding. President Hall called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

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

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

The following representatives of Village departments were also present:

Scott Eisenhauer, Administrator; Bob Coverdill, Airport Manager; Tana Ward, Executive Assistant, Audio/Visual; David Wesner, Attorney; Hank Gamel, Deputy Clerk and Janet Gray, Village Clerk.

Approval of the Agenda

Trustee Graham moved to approve the agenda for the meeting as presented. Trustee Crider seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0.

Motion Approved 6-0.

Public Participation

Mayor Hall opened the public comment portion of the meeting per the Open Meetings Act.

- Lori Shields, 350 W. Champaign, stated she is against the Transfer Station, particularly at the proposed location.
- Rick Shields, General Manager Shields Sales, said he is concerned about Real Estate values, odors and truck traffic. He is against the location.
- Randy McKaufsky represents Westland Meadows Homeowners Association. They are concerned about the location, odor and rodents. They do not believe GFL adequately answered all the questions regarding the issues.
- Janaki Nair, attorney for Area Disposal reviewed the application process. In June 2025 an agreement was approved, the application was filed December 7, the public hearing held on April 17 and the record closed May 18. She believes that they have proved that Area Disposal Services met the siting requirements.
- Chris Kaler said he felt traffic would be busier. He does not see any reward for Rantoul for having the Transfer Station; only risk at this location.

- Art Hess restated that he thinks the Village has nothing to gain with the Transfer Station – only Area Disposal will gain. He is concerned with property values, heavy traffic and zoning.
- Kenda Hess thanked the community for supporting their business. She is concerned about blowing trash.

Discussion of Area Disposal Service Proposed Transfer Station

- Trustee Graham said he thought the Village should approve the Ordinance with conditions.
- Trustee Robertson thinks the facility should be in a different location. If Area Disposal can't pick up garbage effectively, how can they properly run a Transfer Station.
- Trustee Haines agrees that the location should be somewhere else; perhaps on the former Air Force Base.

Consideration of Ordinances & Resolution

Trustee Workman moved to authorize and approve with conditions the Area Disposal Service, Inc. Siting Application for the proposed Rantoul Recycling and Transfer Station located Northeast of Interstate 57 and West Champaign Ave. The Application was filed, and the testimony and evidence concerning the Application, has established that the proposed Facility satisfies all the criteria for local siting approval set forth in Section 39.2 of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5) and Chapter 28, Article IV of the Rantoul Village Code. Trustee Graham seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Workman, Crider, Graham, and Mayor Hall – 4.

NAYS: Wilson, Robertson and Haines - 3

Motion carried 4-3.

Public Announcements

- A Summer Nights Concert Series will be held in Downtown Rantoul from 6:00 – 9:00 pm on June 19th and 26th.
- The Rantoul Rotary Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Saturday will be July 4th from at 7:00 -11:00 am at the Rantoul Township High School Cafetorium.
- The Freedom Fridays Event Series will be on July 3rd 10th, 17th and 24th at locations TBA.
- Freedom Celebration Fireworks will be Friday, July 3rd at Dusk at the Rantoul National Aviation Center Airport.
- The Independence Day Parade will be Saturday, July 4th at 9:30 am starting at Maplewood Dr.
- Former Chanute Air Force Base Public Meeting Update on PFAS Actions & Remedial Investigation will be Wednesday, July 8th at 7:00 pm in the Louis B. Schelling Memorial Board Room.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Crider moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

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

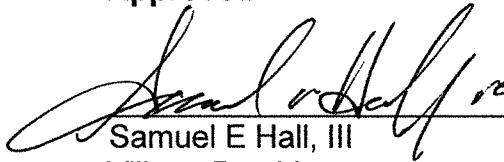
NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 pm.

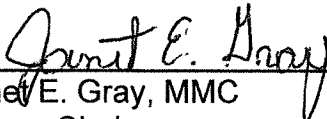
Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk

Approved



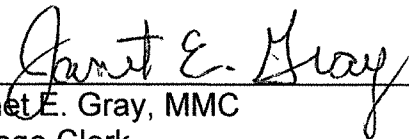
Samuel E Hall, III
Village President

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 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held June 16, 2026 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.



Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk