

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
July 20, 2026
5:15 p.m.

Mayor Lucas Williams called the Meeting of the Mt. Zion Village Board of Trustees to order at 5:15 p.m. in the Village Hall Board Room. The following Board Members were present for roll call: Randy Doty, Chris Siudyla, Nate Patrick, Jack Vance, and Phil Tibbs. Also present were Village Administrator, Julie Miller, Chief of Police Adam Skundberg, Village Parks and Recreation Director, Tiffany Wilson, Event Coordinator, Tiffany Ivey, Village Treasurer, Corey McKenzie, and Village Clerk, Dawn Reynolds. Trustee Evan West was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Forum: Two people were present. Kyle Lester, Account Manager with Waste Management, introduced himself to the Board and was available for any questions.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Trustee Siudyla to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Trustee Doty. A breakdown of Fund Warrants for the period ending July 20, 2026, is as follows: General Fund - \$164,148.01, Audit Fund - \$9,150.00, Motor Fuel Tax - \$1,787.47, Business Development District Fund - \$1,405.00, Rt. 121 TIF District II - \$7,494.00, Water Revenue Fund - \$108,733.86, and Sewer Revenue Fund - \$37,093.18. A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Vance-yea, and Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 5-yea, 0-nay, 1-absent.

Consideration and action on Ordinance No. 2026-13 An Ordinance Permitting a Variance for Certain Property Located at 820 W. Main Street Within the Village of Mt. Zion, Macon County, Illinois:

Administrator Miller presented for consideration a request for a variance to allow a 10-foot encroachment on a 35-foot front yard setback at 820 W. Main Street. The purpose of this variance is to permit the construction of a room addition to the existing residence.

The Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals held a public hearing on July 7, 2026 and recommended approval of the requested variance.

A motion was made by Trustee Patrick to approve Ordinance No. 2026-13 Permitting a Variance for Certain Property located at 820 W. Main Street within the Village of Mt. Zion, Macon County, Illinois as presented, seconded by Trustee Vance. A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Vance-yea, and Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 5-yea, 0-nay, 1-absent.

Consideration and action on Ordinance No. 2026-14 An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Solid Waste Services Agreement by and between the Village of Mt. Zion and Waste Management: Administrator Miller presented for consideration an ordinance authorizing the execution of a solid waste services agreement with Waste Management. Staff issued a Request for Proposals in May 2026 for residential refuse, recycling, and seasonal yard waste collection services. The Village received two proposals – Waste Management and GFL Environmental.

Administrator Miller recommended awarding the residential refuse, recycling, and seasonal yard waste collection contract to Waste Management based on competitive pricing throughout the term of the contract, continuation of the existing service model, and the overall value and service consistency provided by Waste Management under our current contract. The term of the contract is four years, with language that will allow for a three-year extension without the need to solicit proposals.

A motion was made by Trustee Doty to approve Ordinance No. 2026-14 Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Solid Waste Services Agreement by and between the Village of Mt. Zion and Waste

Management, seconded by Trustee Siudyla. A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Vance-yea, and Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 5-yea, 0-nay, 1-absent

Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2026-11 a Resolution Rescinding the Annual General Fund Contribution Toward Audit and Financial Statement Preparation Costs: Administrator Miller presented for consideration a resolution rescinding the annual \$1,000 General Fund contribution toward the audit and financial statement preparation costs. This pledge was brought to staff's attention by the Village Auditor, Cody Buckley, during the FY 2025 Annual Financial Statement presentation. Staff felt as though this contribution was no longer necessary and did not accurately reflect the Village's current financial practices.

A motion was made by Trustee Patrick to approve Resolution No. 2026-11 Rescinding the Annual \$1,000 General Fund Contribution Toward Audit and Financial Statement Preparation Costs as presented, seconded by Trustee Tibbs. A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Vance-yea, and Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 5-yea, 0-nay, 1-absent

Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2026-12 A Resolution to Adopt and Allocate Funds for an Outdoor Fitness Court as Part of the 2027 National Fitness Campaign: Administrator Miller presented for consideration a resolution to adopt and allocate funds for an Outdoor Fitness Court as a part of the 2027 National Fitness Campaign. The Village was awarded a \$50,000 grant from the National Fitness Campaign and its Illinois partner, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois, to use towards the purchase of an Outdoor Fitness Court. Administrator Miller and Parks and Recreation Director Tiffany Wilson intend for this Outdoor Fitness Court to be installed at Dr. Chilli Park.

Discussion was held regarding the proposed Outdoor Fitness Court. Trustee Siudyla expressed concern about the overall cost of the project and inquired whether more cost-effective park improvement options were available. Trustees Patrick and Vance expressed similar concerns. Following discussion, the Board reached a consensus to review additional park improvement options and associated cost estimates before moving forward with consideration of the Outdoor Fitness Court.

A motion was made by Trustee Siudyla to table Resolution No. 2026-12 Adopting and Allocating Funds for an Outdoor Fitness Court as Part of the 2027 National Fitness Campaign as presented, seconded by Trustee Tibbs. A roll call vote was taken: A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Vance-yea, and Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 5-yea, 0-nay, 1-absent

Consideration and action on Ordinance No. 2026-15 An Ordinance Amending Penalty Provisions Regarding Golf Carts and Off-Highway Vehicles: Administrator Miller presented for consideration an ordinance amending the penalty provisions regarding golf carts and off-highway vehicles. This ordinance establishes a defined penalty schedule for violations of Article IV – Golf Carts and Off-Highway Vehicles.

A motion was made by Trustee Vance to approve Ordinance No. 2026-15 Amending Penalty Provisions Regarding Golf Carts and Off-Highway Vehicles as presented, seconded by Trustee Patrick. A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Vance-yea, and Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 5-yea, 0-nay, 1-absent

Administrator & Staff Items:

Treasurer McKenzie provided the results from the latest Sale of Surplus auction.

Coordinator Ivey informed the Board of discussions she had regarding donor opportunities for Dr. Chilli Park.

Administrator Miller expressed her appreciation to staff for their work coordinating the annual Blue Ribbon Night fireworks event. She provided the Board with the latest ridership data for the Decatur Moves microtransit program. She also informed the Board that she is serving on the newly formed Macon County Citizens Advisory Council, a group of local leaders researching the potential impacts of data centers on

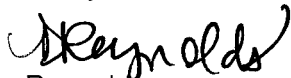
Macon County and the surrounding area. Administrator Miller reminded the Board of the upcoming Mt. Zion Pony Express Days, scheduled for August 13–16. She also informed the Board that staff has hired a new front desk receptionist and updated the Board on damage to the building caused by fireworks thrown onto the roof on July 3, 2026.

Mayor & Trustee Items:

Trustee Doty, Siudyla, Patrick, Vance, and Tibbs all expressed their appreciation to staff for their work in the Village and other community events.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Trustee Patrick to adjourn the July 20, 2026 Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Vance. A voice vote was unanimous; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dawn Reynolds". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dawn Reynolds
Village Clerk