



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
STUDY SESSION
April 21, 2026
6:00 PM
MINUTES**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Tompkins called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL:** Mohr called the roll, Trustee Colravy, Schriver, Willard, Oliger and Metzger are all present, Trustee Harpst is absent. Additionally, Jason Tompkins, Village President, Patrick Brown, Village Administrator, Joe Chamley, Village Attorney, Carole Tempel, Village Treasurer, Eric Crowley, Public Works Superintendent, and Dawn Mohr, Village Clerk are present.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment is presented.
5. **ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS:**
 - A. **FINANCE:**
 1. Bill List: Tempel goes over the bill list in brief and points out an invoice from Unlimited Homes, she states that this is a refund for oversizing in the Harvest Edge Subdivision. Schriver questioned the invoice, Tempel provided him a copy of a the invoice to review. A discussion was had about the policy in place for oversizing. It is determined that there will be no action tonight and the bill list is moved to the regular agenda at the board meeting on April 28th. No action is taken.
 2. Treasurer's Report: Tempel summarizes the report and provided balances and interest earned in the month of March. Tompkins recommends the treasurers report be moved to the regular agenda on April 28th. No action is taken.
 - B. **WATER/WASTEWATER:**
 1. Ordinance 26-04-01, An Ordinance Amending the Village Water and Wastewater Rates and Fees by Modifying Chapter 55 Entitled "Water and Wastewater Rates and Fees" as Hereinafter Provided. Brown goes over the recommendation stating that the last rate increase was in 2023. The reasoning behind not increases the rates is that they contracted with Berns Clancy to do a rate study and that the study took much longer than anticipated. Brown explained that the current rates are falling short of what is needed and to keep both departments in policy. Brown stated that he and Jason Heid, former water/wastewater superintendent and now

consultant did their own research and determined what would be the best approach to fund the water and wastewater department rates. The recommendation is to increase the facilities charge for the water department by ten dollars and the wastewater department by ten dollars. Currently the facilities charge is five dollars. The recommendation is to not increase the usage rate at this time and to do an increase next year. Brown explains that annually there is a transfer from both departments into the capital project fund and that not making the transfer would have a negative impact on impeding projects and routine maintenance of both facilities. Brown gave examples of upcoming expenditures that included the need for another water tower soon. Brown also stated that infrastructure updates and repairs would also be affected by not properly funding the capital improvement funds. The current rates and facility charge is not keeping up with inflation. A discussion about the recommendation and the impact that this increase would have on the residents began with Colravy stating that he agrees that the increase is necessary. Is there a scenario were we can step up to the higher facility charges. Metzger agreed that there should be a way to soften the blow to the residents. Brown answered that the wastewater department absolutely needs the ten dollars increase regardless, and that they could do a five dollar increase this year on the water facility charge and then next year increase the water facility charge again to put it in line with the wastewater facility charge. Brown added that next year there will be a rate increase to both departments. Schriver indicated that he believes it would be best to increase both departments by the ten-dollar recommendation this year and Oliger agreed. Tompkins asked if he had a motion to move the ordinance to the consent agenda. Schriver moved and Oliger seconded. Another discussion began about the facility increases and Tompkins reminded the trustees that there was a motion on the table. Chamley stated that they could either withdraw the motion or go ahead with the vote. If one trustee votes no, then the ordinance would be moved to the regular agenda on April 28th. Tompkins directed Mohr to call the roll, Trustee Oliger and Schriver voted yes to move the ordinance to the consent agenda, Trustee Colravy, Willard and Metzger voted "no" The ordinance is sent to the regular agenda with direction from the board to increase the facility charge in the water department by five dollars and the wastewater department increase the facility charge by ten dollars. Additionally, the high usage discount would be discontinued. (high usage is 50,000 gallons or more).

C. ADMINISTRATION:

1. A Resolution Authorizing the Village Administrator to Execute Orders for Purchasing & Leasing Vehicles. Brown explained that the resolution is an annual item to allow the Administrator to continue with the leasing of vehicles. Tompkins asked if there were any comments or questions. None were present. Tompkins called for a motion to move the resolution to the consent agenda. Willard moved and Metzger seconded. Mohr called the roll, ALL VOTES YES 5-0. The resolution is moved to the consent agenda.
2. Ordinance 26-04-02, An Ordinance Amending Prohibited Parking Regulations by Amending Parts of Chapter 70 Entitles "Stopping, Standing or Parking" as Hereinafter Provided. Brown explained that there is no law against the parking in front of mailboxes and this ordinance addresses the issue, In particular in the areas near and around the high school. Brown explained that this ordinance if passed would give the police department the ability to act on the violations. Metzger asked how this new ordinance would be communicated to the public. Brown responded that they would let the school know. He added that this

ordinance would not only be for the areas around the school but throughout the Village of Mahomet. Tompkins asked if there were any comments or questions, Schriver thanked staff for moving this forward. Tompkins called for a motion to move the ordinance to the consent agenda. Metzger moved and Colravy seconded. Mohr called the roll, ALL VOTES YES 5-0. The ordinance is moved to the consent agenda.

3. A Resolution in Support of Municipal Housing Authority: Brown explained that there is legislation that will likely pass and that this resolution will show that the Village of Mahomet does not support the Governors bill that will essentially take the power away from local municipalities on what types of properties are allowed to be built within their communities. Brown gave an example that regardless of zoning, if a developer would like to put an apartment complex in the middle of a subdivision, even though the Village zoning does not allow it, that it would be allowed via this bill. Brown states it is basically taking away zoning rights of the local government. Tompkins asked if there were any comments or questions, none are presented. Tompkins called for a motion to move the resolution to the consent agenda. Willard oved and Metzger seconded. Mohr called the roll, ALL VOTES YES 5-0. The resolution is moved to the consent agenda.
4. A Resolution Authorizing the Village President to Sign a Letter Requesting Champaign County Amend its Nuisance Ordinance. Brown explained that Trustee Schriver actually wrote the memo and felt it would be better served if he went over the information. Trustee Schriver went over the findings of his research. He stated that Champaign County passed an ordinance to ban leaf burning within 1000 feet of the Champaign-Urbana city limits, Schriver refers to Champaign County's satisfaction with the other options those affected have to dispose of the leaves, whether it be drop off at a landscape waste facility like found in Urbana, he sidenotes that Mahomet Landscapes has a drop off location that is actually less expensive than the Urbana location. He adds that he recently learned that customers who use Illini Recycling can also have their leaves picked up as long as they're in leaf bags. Metzger expressed his concern over how the lines would be drawn. Schriver explained that the county would be the ones to determine the lines but around C-U they grab an entire subdivision as opposed to only including the properties within the 1000 feet. Willard asked if the Village could add these properties to the leaf collection program. Crowley answered no, that crews are already stretched to collect what is within the Village boundaries during the week of collection. Tompkins stated that this item should be moved to the regular agenda on April 28th. NO ACTION TAKEN. Resolution is moved to the regular agenda.

6. ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

A. Departmental Reports:

1. Engineering
2. Transportation
3. Water/Wastewater
4. Code Compliance
5. Police
6. Parks & Recreation

- B. Budget and CIP Update and Discussion:** Brown stated that he will have the tentative budget on April 28th.

7. **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

A. **April 2026 Board Meeting Calendar**

1. April 28, 2026, Board of Trustees Meeting

8. **NEW BUSINESS:** Discussion of any items that the Trustees may have for new business not listed on the agenda. No formal action will be taken on these items during this proceeding.

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Tompkins stated that they will now go into Executive Session Tompkins calls for a motion to go into executive session, Colravy moved and Schriver seconded. Mohr called the roll, ALL VOTES YES 5-0. The Trustees go into executive session at 7:36 PM. Tompkins directs Mohr to call the roll after exiting executive session at 8:09 PM. Mohr called the roll, Trustee Colravy, Schriver, Willard, Oliger and Metzger are all present. Trustee Harpst is absent.

- A. Collective Negotiating Matters Between the Public Body and its Employees or their Representatives, or Deliberations Concerning Salary Schedule for one of more Classes of Employees. (5 ILCS 120/2(C)(22))

10. **ADJOURNMENT:** Tompkins called for a motion to adjourn the study session, Metzger moved and Oliger seconded. Mohr called the roll, ALL VOTES YES 5-0. The study session adjourned at 8:10 PM

Approved
As
Presented
4/28/2026
D. Mohr