**May 21, 2025**

**Village of White City**

**Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order: 7:00 pm May 21, 2025 Meeting was called to order by Village President Karen Clarke.**

**Pledge of Allegiance:**  Led by Village President Karen Clarke.

**Roll Call:**  Jim Cozart present, Scott Van Loo present, , Kevin Shaw absent, Rosalyn Bohanan present, Brandy Hendy present, Karen Clarke present, Beth Greer absent, Saraab Avery present

**Public Comments:** None

**Guests**: None

**Approval of April 9th, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes**

Accept Minutes/Roll Call: Motion to accept April 9, 2025, Meeting Minutes made by Kevin Shaw, 2nd Scott Van Loo. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes), Kevin Shaw (yes), Karen Clarke (yes). Motion approved.

**Committee Reports:**

* **Sewer** – Lift stations 1 & 2 overflowed and had to be emptied. Vendor mentioned that cause of clog (backup) may have been due to disposal wipes. Trustee mentioned that this has been a reoccurring problem in the past. A manhole cover in village is missing 3rd ring causing the liner to work improperly. Discussed ways to fix the issue by using dye in the sewer.. Need to submit an insurance claim for lift station.
* **Water** –Pump House is still down, waiting for an upgrade on the transmittal radio between the tank & house.
* **Finance** –RD loan audit is due end of June.
* **Ordinances** There was a discussion on animal ordinances. Trustee stated that there would be no need for a zoning board to amend animal ordinance and that the mayor held power to write ordinances that would than be voted by the village board. Zoning application money to be refunded to resident applicants. Lawyer also determined that no public hearing was necessary. Trustee spoke about ordinance violations. A discussion followed on ordinance violation citations. Village president has the authority to write citations for village ordinance violations. If violation is not according to a village ordinance, than resident would have to contact Macoupin County.
* **Streets** – Village maintenance person will continue to repair potholes. Village maintenance person looked at Daisy, Sunny & North Streets. It looks like all of them could use some excavating. Hofer Cir. will be included in excavation project. Resident mentioned at corner of 4th St. & Red Bud Ln delivery trucks are damaging a 4 foot section of curve.
* **Building/Grounds/Utilities –** Hall rental this weekend.

**Treasurer’s Report**

* **Approval of bills –** Reviewed Bills (May 2025).

Scott Van Loo made a motion to approve May 2025 bills with 2nd by Kevin Shaw. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes), Kevin Shaw (yes), Brandy Hendy (yes), Karen Clarke (yes). Motion approved.

**Approval of Balance Sheet** –Reviewed Village of White City Balance Sheet ending as of April 30, 2025. Motion to approve made by Kevin Shaw with 2nd by Scott Van Loo. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes), Kevin Shaw (yes), Brandy Hendy (yes), Karen Clarke (yes). Motion approved.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

Board discussed selling or renting of the farm land next to village hall. Trustee brought up that land was willed to village on 99 year trust. The land cannot be sold in that time period.

* Board discussed ordinance 453 Village Budget for Fiscal year 2025 – 2026. Motion to approve Kevin Shaw with 2ND By Scott Van Loo. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes), Kevin Shaw (yes), Brandy Hendy (yes) Karen Clarke (yes). Motion approved.
* Board discussed the purchase of a culvert for lift station. The board discussed purchasing from Hawkeye Steele estimated cost should be $450. Motion to approve made by Kevin Shaw with 2nd by Jim Cozart. roll call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott VanLoo (yes), Kevin Shaw (yes), Brandy Hendy (yes), Karen Clarke (yes). Motion approved.
* Board discussed the appointment of Josh Avery & Craig Finnegan to the zoning board. Motion made by Kevin Shaw with Scott 2nd. Roll call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott VanLoo(yes), Kevin Shaw (yes), Brandy Hendy (yes), Karen Clarke (yes). Motion approved.
* Board discussed hiring Saraab Avery as village clerk. Motion to approve Kevin Shaw with 2nd by Brandy Hendy. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes), Kevin Shaw (yes), Brandy Hendy (yes), Karen Clarke (yes). Motion approved.
* Swore in Saraab Avery as Village Clerk.
* Board discussed Roger VanLoo as Deputy Village Clerk. Kevin Shaw made the Motion with Jim Cozart 2nd. Roll call: Jim Cozart (yes), Kevin Shaw ( abstain), Scott VanLoo (abstain), Brandy Hendy (yes), Karen Clarke (yes). Motion approved

Adjourn Sine Die:

Kevin Shaw made the motion to Adjourn Sine Die, with Scott Van Loo 2nd. All Yea’s.

-Scott VanLoo made a motion to appointed Karen Clarke as Village President. Motion to approve made by Scott Van Loo with 2nd by Jim Cozart. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes). Motion approved.

* Swore in Karen Clarke as Village President.

Village President appointed Brandy Hendy as village trustee for 2 year term. Motion to approve made by Jim Cozart with 2nd by Scott Van Loo. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes). Motion approved. Swore in Brandy Hendy as village trustee.

-Village President appointed Brandy Hendy & Kevin Shaw as village trustee for 2 year term. Motion to approve made by Jim Cozart with 2nd by Scott Van Loo. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes). Karen Clark (yes). Motion approved.

-Village President appointed Rosalyn Bohanan as village trustee for 4 year term. Motion to approve made by Jim Cozart with 2nd by Scott Van Loo. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes). Karen Clarke (yes). Motion approved.

Swore in Brandy Hendy, Kevin Shaw as Village Trustee 2 yr terms.

Swore in Rosalyn Bohanan as Village Trustee 4 year term.

Motion to Adjourn made by Kevin Shaw with 2nd by Scott Van Loo. Roll Call: Jim Cozart (yes), Scott Van Loo (yes), Kevin Shaw (yes), Brandy Hendy (yes), Rosalyn Bohanan (yes), Karen Clarke (yes).

Meeting Adjournment: May 21 – 7:55 p.m.