

## REGULAR MEETING

June 24, 2025

The Village of Ashmore Board of Trustees met in regular session on June 24 ,2025 at the Ashmore Municipal Office. Proper notice of the meeting was posted. President Kurt Crail called the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m. Led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Kurt Crail acknowledged that a quorum was physically present, and that trustee Cathy Welborn had a request and was remote by phone conference. Newly appointed Clerk Michelle Redd took roll call attendance.

### **Turstees Present:**

- Bill Edwards
- TC Grissom
- Terry Price
- Kyle Sims
- Bryan Watson
- Cathy Welborn (remote)

### **Aso Present:**

- \* President Kurt Crail
- \* Clerk Michelle Redd
- \* Treasurer Linda Holloway
- \* Superintendent Jake Johnson

### **Guest Speaker:**

Seth Flach, Milano & Grunloh Engineers

Mr. Flach provided an update and discussion regarding current and pending infrastructure grants:

- The **Unsewered IEPA Grant** Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for 2025 has not yet been posted but is expected soon.
- The **IEPA Loan Application** has been submitted.
- The **IDOT PDR (Project Development Report)** was approved; however, the Village of Ashmore was not successful in receiving that specific funding.
- IDOT has indicated that **additional funding** is available.
- The **ITEP (Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program)** application is an eligible cost. The Village plans to submit this project for consideration under that program.
- The **Safe Routes to School (SRTS)** application will reopen in the fall. The question for the Board is whether to reapply. The NOFO for SRTS is expected to be released in September, and Board approval will be needed prior to submission.
- The **2025 DCEO Public Infrastructure Grant** is currently open. The Village is awaiting an announcement. The project proposal includes \$1 million for **Phase Three**.

Mr. Flach exited the meeting at **6:11 p.m.**

## **Reports, Approvals, and Claims**

### **Clerk Report:**

- Current Audit went well.
- Transfer of Funds
- Approval of Minutes Dated May 27,2025
- Cyber Security Awareness Training IMLRMA

- Note to Amend current Agenda and Ordinances. Wrong ordinances #s were written. (no vote)  
Amend Ordinance # 25-2425A to # 25-0624A  
Amend Ordinance # 25-2425B to # 25-0624B  
Amend Ordinance # 25-2425C to # 25-0624C

Minutes Dated May 27, 2025, were approved on motion by Bryan Watson, seconded by TC Grissom. In roll call vote, all members vote AYE. Trustee Bryan Watson requested corrections be made to clerical/spelling errors by the clerk. Amended minutes and from May 27, 2025, will then be repost. Amended agenda from June 24, 2025, to state the Financial Appropriations ordinance from the **scheduled** Finance committee meeting on June 23, 2025

Cyber Security awareness training is a requirement through IMLRMA : 1–11-page document and signature to complete by July meeting.

Motion by TC Grissom, second by Bryan Watson. In a roll call vote, all members vote AYE.

### **Treasurer Report**

Treasurer **Linda Holloway** recommended a **transfer of \$1,000 from the General Fund to the Community Center Fund**. A motion to approve the transfer was made by **Bryan Watson** and seconded by **Bill Edwards**.

Upon roll call vote, all members voted **AYE**, and the motion carried.

The **Treasures Report** was sent to Board members via email prior to the meeting but was **not available at the meeting** due to a Newly appointed clerk Michelle Redd's clerical error. All financial files are available in the Treasurer's **Dropbox** folder.

**Accounts Payable and Payroll for June 2025** were presented for review. No vote was taken.

A motion to place the **Treasurer's Report ending May 30, 2025, on file** was made by **T.C. Grissom**, seconded by **Cathy Welborn**.

Upon roll call vote, all members voted **AYE**, and the motion carried.

### **Superintendent Report**

- **Water Tower/Stirrer Maintenance:** Scheduled inspection and maintenance for August.
- **Water Samples:** All test results returned satisfactory.
- **System Leaks:** No significant leaks reported.
- **Water Run Project Proposal:**  
A proposal was presented to adopt the Water Run Project. This new system includes direct EPA reporting capabilities, and Asset management build into the program and requires a one-year commitment. Upfront cost is \$1800.00 a year and the initial onboarding cost is \$2,000.00. Full cost is \$3,800, to be paid by the General Fund.  
**Action:** Motion to approve by Bill Edwards, seconded by Cathy Welborn. Roll call vote: All members voted Aye.

## **Board Approvals**

### **Ordinance #025-0422A**

An ordinance appointing officers of the Village of Ashmore, Illinois, and setting the terms for all appointed positions for the period of May 1, 2025, through April 30, 2026.

**Action:** Ordinance passed. Motion by Kyle Sims, seconded by Bill Edwards. Roll call vote: All trustees voted Aye.

### **Ordinance #025-0624A**

An ordinance amending Chapter 1 of Title 3 of the Village Code to increase the fine for nuisance violations from \$25.00 to \$100.00.

**Action:** Placed on file June 24, 2025. Motion by Cathy Welborn, seconded by TC Grissom. Roll call vote: All members voted Aye.

### **Ordinance #025-0624B**

An ordinance establishing a Return-to-Work (RTO) policy outlining procedures and accommodations for employees returning to work following an injury.

**Action:** Placed on file June 24, 2025. Motion by Bill Edwards, seconded by Cathy Welborn. Roll call vote: All members voted Aye.

### **Ordinance #025-0624C**

The Financial Appropriations Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2026.

**Action:** Placed on file June 24, 2025. The Finance Committee met on June 23, 2025, at 5:30 PM to review the ordinance. Motion during the committee meeting by Mayor Kurt Crail, seconded by Bill Edwards. Presented at the June 24, 2025, Board Meeting. Roll call vote: All members voted Aye.

## **Other Business:**

Aerial Spray/ Mosquito Spray, Dominique Youakim Aerinova Aeriale. **Jake Johnson** will handle the setting up for the spraying. Reminders: We must post one week ahead and in multiple areas to announce to the community. We must list the ingredients. Notification from Taylor Law Firm on new state ordinances. (No Vote Needed)

## **Meeting Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM. Motion by Bill Edwards, seconded by Terry Price. Roll call vote: All members voted Aye.

Michelle Redd

Ashmore Village Clerk



