

Village of Mazon Board Minutes
July 14, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm on July 14, 2025.

Present were: Jeff Marques, Melanie Murphy, Rachel Carrell, Jared Kowalewski, Kris Webster, Diane Punke, Roland Tondini, John Frederick, Larry Pastick, Chris Dearth, Tim Hejny, Tim Stiles

Absent: Kirk Houchin

Guest: Pamela Pastick

The minutes for June 3, 2025, were presented for approval. **D. Punke made a motion to approve the June 3, 2025, minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by K. Webster. Roll was taken. K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke- Yes, R. Tondini-Yes, J. Marques-Yes. Motion carried.**

The minutes for June 10, 2025, were presented for approval. **K. Webster made a motion to approve the June 10, 2025, minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken. K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke- Yes, R. Tondini-Yes, J. Marques-Yes. Motion carried.**

The minutes for June 23, 2025, were presented for approval. **R.Tondini made a motion to approve the June 23, 2025, minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by J. Marques. Roll was taken. K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke- Yes, R. Tondini-Yes, J. Marques-Yes. Motion carried.**

The bill list for July 14, 2025, was presented for approval. **K. Webster made a motion to approve the bill list for July 14, 2025, as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken. K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes, J. Marques-Yes. Motion carried.**

D. Punke made a motion to approve the appointment of Jared Kowalewski as Trustee. The motion was seconded by K. Webster. Roll was taken. K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes, J. Marques-Yes. Motion carried.

Oath of office was given by J. Marques.

Treasurer:

R.

Carrell reported that CD# 733406 for Sewer Contingency is coming due 7/16/2025. It currently has \$55,877.83 and is getting 5.02% for 12 months at American Commercial Bank & Trust. They are offering to renew for 12 months at 3.95%. **D. Punke made a motion to renew CD# 733406 at American Commercial Bank & Trust for 12 months at 3.95%. The motion was seconded by K. Webster. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

R. Carrell reported that CD# 2015 for Sewer Equipment is coming due 7/17/2025. It currently has \$49,271.65 and is getting 5.00% for 14 months at Socu. They are offering to renew for 13 months at

3.93%. K. Webster made a motion to renew CD# 2015 at Socu for 13 months at 3.93%. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.

R. Carrell reported that CD# 2016 for Motor Fuel is coming due 7/18/2025. It currently has \$105,717.30 and is getting 5.00% for 14 months at Socu. They are offering to renew for 13 months at 3.93%. **D. Punke made a motion to renew CD# 2016 at Socu for 13 months at 3.93%. The motion was seconded by K. Webster. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

Overtime was reported.

The June 2025 Treasurer report was presented for review.

Secretary:

M. Murphy reported to the board. M. Murphy reported that she and R. Carrell attended an all day accounting class in Genoa IL. She stated that this class was very informative. She is hoping they put on more classes in the future. She also informed the board that the 2nd quarter taxes are completed and submitted.

Public Comment:

The board discussed speed bumps on Center St near park to slow down traffic. They discussed moving speed limit signs as a possible alternative.

J. Marques stated that residents asked him if Mazon allows junk yards/scrap yards in residential zoning. The board discussed how to pursue and where to draw the line.

President:

J. Marques presented an updated committee sheet.

J. Marques also stated that while M. Murphy is out of the office in the incoming weeks, R. Carrell has offered to step in and complete a few tasks and return resident phone calls. He informed the board that R. Carrell has requested additional compensation for filling in some office hours. He stated that she has requested \$18.00 an hour. The board discussed and stated that they will allow this.

Committee Reports:

Nothing at this time.

Old Business:

The Judiciary Committee will meet on July 29, 2025, at 4:30 pm to go over and discuss the proposed ordinance regarding abandoned and inoperable vehicles.

New Business:

Mayor Marques brought to the attention of the Village Board the resignation that he received from Dalton Misener. Mayor Marques stated that following the last board meeting, Dalton submitted his resignation as Village Trustee, effective immediately.

The board discussed the resignation of Misener. K. Webster stated that Dalton was an asset to the Village and she would like to ask if he would reconsider his resignation. D. Punke agreed.

Attorney Dearth stated to the board that after the resignation was tendered to Mayor Marques, it is final and cannot be rescinded by Misener or denied by the Village Board. Further, Attorney Dearth stated that there is no legal requirement that the resignation be accepted and approved by the board. Attorney Dearth requested that Misener's resignation be included within the meeting minutes, but that no formal Village Board action is necessary or required at this time. No further discussion was had regarding this matter.

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a software agreement between the Village of Mazon and Ziptility was presented for approval. **K. Webster made a motion to approve an ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a software agreement between the Village of Mazon and Ziptility. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

D. Punke made a motion to approve the authorization to purchase 3 iPads for the Public Works department. The motion was seconded by J. Kowalewski. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.

Director of Public Works:

J. Fredericks reported to the board. He stated that public works has completed the cold patching with the exception of some spots on Center St which will be addressed at a later date.

J. Frederick stated that they dug up and replaced the hydrant on the corner of East St and North St. He added that while doing that a valve ruptured and they had to replace the valve west of the hydrant.

J. Frederick stated that they installed an inch and a half service line for the Just Animals addition. He stated that water report and samples have been completed for the month.

J. Frederick went on to report that he and Marc did an inspection of Centennial Park and according to IMLRMA, we have several outdated and dangerous pieces of playground equipment. He stated that according to RMA we also need to add about 8 more inches of pea gravel to play areas. He stated that while completing the park inspection, they noticed that both pavilions need some repair work. This pavilion repair work needs to be addressed soon.

Chief of Police:

L. Pastick reported to the board. He stated that the department received \$585.50 from GCCO for traffic fines. He added that he is still waiting for Grant approval for cameras.

L. Pastick stated that Speed Awareness Day is July 23, 2025.

K. Webster question the 4th of July fireworks and asked if something happened at the end. She stated she heard there was a fire. The board discussed rumors that were heard.

Engineer:

T. Hejny brought up a new-found issue with easement on Grand Ridge Rd south of the sanitation plant. This matter will require more research and discussion.

Attorney:

Nothing at this time.

K. Webster made a motion to enter executive session at 7:31 pm pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) to discuss the employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. The motion was seconded by R. Tondini. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.

D. Punke made a motion to reconvene to regular session at 7:36 pm. The motion was seconded by R. Tondini. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.

K. Webster made a motion to adjourn at 7:37 pm. D. Punke seconded the motion. Roll was taken; J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.