

# **VILLAGE OF MARYVILLE**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025**

## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

### **6:30 PM CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Short called the Board Meeting of Wednesday, May 7, 2025 to order. Mayor invited Pastor Robin Lyons from St. Luke's United Methodist Church to open the meeting with prayer. Mayor asked all in attendance to stand, if able, for prayer and to remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **6:32 PM ROLL CALL**

**Trustees Present:** Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

Also in attendance were Clerk Henry, Attorney Genovese, Village Administrator Flannery, Fire Chief Dankenbring, Building & Zoning Administrator Fulton, Water/Sewer Superintendent Hoffmann, Streets Superintendent Keplar, Police Chief Manley, 2 reporters and approximately 55+ guests.

### **6:33 PM MINUTES**

Mayor Short called for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2025 Board Meeting. Asked if there were any questions, corrections, clarifications or additions to the minutes as presented. There were none.

Motion to Approve, Moved by Vallino, Seconded by Bell.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

### **6:33 PM APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Mayor Short called for a motion to approve the bills presented for payment. Asked if there were any questions, corrections, clarifications or additions to the bills as submitted. There were none.

Motion to Approve, Moved by Schmidt, Seconded by Clark.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

### **6:33 PM COMMUNICATIONS**

Clerk Henry read a letter from Jeff Williams announcing his retirement effective June 6, 2025.

Clerk Henry read an email from Courtney Wright resigning from the Community Improvement Board.

Mayor Short presented a Proclamation honoring Trustee Ed Kostyshock.

Motion to Place the Communications on File, Moved by Vallino, Seconded by Bell.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

### **6:40 PM LEGAL MATTERS**

**6:40 PM** Attorney Genovese presented the following Proclamation:

**Proclamation:** May, 2025 as Motorcycle Awareness Month

Motion to Pass, Moved by Bell, Seconded by Clark.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 7).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White, Mayor Short

**6:43 PM** Attorney Genovese presented the following Ordinance:

**Ordinance 2025-26:** An Ordinance Implementing a Non-Home Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Non-Home Rule Municipal Service Occupation Tax for the Village of Maryville, Illinois

Motion to Pass, Moved by Kostyshock, Seconded by Vallino.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

**6:44 PM** Attorney Genovese presented the following Resolution:

**Resolution 2025-11:** A Resolution of the Village of Maryville, Madison County, Illinois, Relating to the Acceptance of a Preliminary Development Plan (The Bottle Shop)

Motion to Pass, Moved by White, Seconded by Schmidt.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

**6:44 PM** Attorney Genovese presented the following Resolution:

**Resolution 2025-12:** A Resolution Authorizing a First Amendment to the Employment Agreement Between the Village of Maryville, Illinois and Tonya Flannery

Motion to Pass, Moved by Kostyshock, Seconded by Clark.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

**6:45 PM** Attorney Genovese presented the following Resolution:

**Resolution 2025-13:** Resolution Regarding a Financial Policy Relating to the 1% Additional Sales Tax Approved by the Village Board of Maryville, IL on May 7, 2025

Motion to Pass, Moved by Bell, Seconded by Vallino.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

## **6:46 PM OLD BUSINESS**

**6:46 PM** Motion for the authorization for the Fire Chief to request the Fire & Police Board provide a candidate to fill a full-time Firefighter/Paramedic position; Moved by Bell, Seconded by White.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

**6:47 PM** Motion for the authorization for the Police Chief to request the Fire & Police Board provide a candidate to fill a full-time Police Officer position; Moved by Bell, Seconded by White.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

**6:48 PM** Motion for the authorization for the Village Administrator to advertise and hire one (1) additional Administrative employee, to re-assign an Administrative employee as a Building & Zoning Assistant and to restructure responsibilities of the Clerk/Treasurer position; with salary ranges for each position between \$50,000 and \$65,000 annually; Moved by Bell, Seconded by Kostyshock.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

**6:49 PM** Motion to enter an agreement with National Public Pension Fund Association (NPPFA) to offer a 457(b) deferred compensation plan to Village employees; Moved by Bell, Seconded by White.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Kostyshock, Clark, White.

**6:50 PM** Trustee Kostyshock shared his thoughts and feelings in relation to his retirement as Village Trustee after 36 years of service.

**6:54 PM** Mayor Short thanked Kostyshock and his family for all of his years of service.

**6:55 PM** Trustee White shared comments and thanked Mayor Short for his years of service to the Village. White, on behalf for the Village of Maryville, presented Mayor Short with gifts commemorating his term as Mayor. Mayor Short shared his thoughts in relation to his retirement.

### **7:03 SWEARING IN OF NEW MAYOR & TRUSTEES**

Clerk Henry performed the swearing in of Trustees Julie Clark, Larry Gullledge and Gary Kukla.

Clerk Henry performed the swearing in of Mayor Wayne White, accompanied by Pastor Lyons holding the Bible for Mayor White.

**7:08 PM** Mayor White took his seat as Mayor. Mayor made welcoming and forward-looking comments for the future of the Village of Maryville government.

### **7:10 PM NEW BUSINESS / TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

**7:10 PM** Trustee Vallino congratulated the new elected Trustees. Shared comments on history with Trustee Kostyshock, noting the big impact he had on the Village.

**7:11 PM** Trustee Schmidt noted Mayor Short and Trustee Kostyshock will be missed. But also commented on the excitement of moving forward with the new Village Board and Administrator.

**7:12 PM** Trustee Bell stated he as well is excited about the new Board and will miss Short and Kostyshock. Also noted he appreciates Mayor White and feels he will do a great job.

**7:13 PM** Trustee Clark congratulated new Trustees and looks forward to future with Mayor White. Also thanked all who helped with the MusicFest. All work was appreciated.

**7:14 PM** Trustee Gullledge added to Vallino's comments, noting it was a privilege serving with Kostyshock. Shared some history regarding Kostyshock and his volunteerism and service. Regarding Mayor Short, Gullledge noted that Short more than proved how much he loves Maryville and that he did a great job. Congratulated Clark on re-election and Kukla on his election. Noting he also feels that White will be a good leader.

**7:17 PM** Trustee Kukla thanked God for this opportunity as Trustee. Thanked Board members for support when stating his interest in running for Trustee. Also thanked his wife. Congratulated White, Clark and Gullledge.

## **7:19 PM CALENDAR UPDATES**

5/10 Maryville Police 5K Run; 5/14 Caucus; 5/17 Museum open; 5/19 Museum Committee meeting; 5/19 Fire Pension Board meeting; 5/19 Parks & Rec Committee meeting; 5/21 Board meeting; 5/26 Memorial Day – Village Hall and Public Works closed; Planning Commission meeting if needed will be moved from 5/26; 5/28 Caucus

Mayor noted the flags will be placed at Fairland Cemetery on Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1 p.m.

## **7:22 PM STAFF REPORTS**

**7:22 PM** Henry presented the annual statements for the Fire and Police Pension Funds as required. Also noted the County Clerk had distributed the property tax rates; Maryville's new rate (for 2024 levy) is \$0.9107 a \$0.0134 reduction from last year's (2023) of \$0.9241.

**7:23 PM** Dankenbring presented the Fire Department report. Noted the 2<sup>nd</sup> ambulance being in service allowed the ability to not give away calls. Noted the Firehouse has been "refreshed", painting and new flooring. Schmidt asked if the radios had been ordered, Dankenbring responded yes and delivery is expected in 4 – 6 weeks.

**7:25 PM** Fulton presented Building Permit reports for fiscal years 2023/2024 and 2024/2025. Fulton noted the mowing company had completed 8 cuts for tall grass notices. He is continuing to work on fencing and derelict properties issues. Gullledge asked about the properties slated for demolition. Fulton and Mayor White noted that the demo process is moving forward, working on the legal aspects. Vallino asked for a list of properties with tall grass issues.

**7:28 PM** Hoffmann noted the water service on the north side of the 162/Keebler roundabout was moved today.

**7:29 PM** Flannery congratulated all, stated she looks forward to working with the new Board and Mayor. Asked Board to let her know if anyone planned to attend the walk-thru at the Police building. Highlighted points on her report. Continuing to work with legal on the derelict properties. As an update on the Firemen's Park project, some minor lighting changes, and direction has been given to continue design work and create bid documents. Continuing to work on economic development. She is also working on grant funding for portions of a new Comprehensive Plan. Kukla noted he has toured the Police Building and expressed concerns regarding the state of the building. Flannery agreed and stated that they are working with the insurance company to assess the immediate needs as well as long-term. White encouraged Trustees to tour the building, noting the building is a high priority.

**7:35 PM** Manley presented the Police Department report. On behalf of the Police Department, thanked the Village Board for all the past and ongoing support.

## **7:35 PM BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

There was none.

## **7:35 PM MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

Mayor White thanked all for being at the meeting. Looking forward to the future.

**7:36 PM ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before this meeting, Mayor White called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn, Moved by Bell, Seconded by Vallino.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Vallino, Schmidt, Bell, Clark, Gullledge, Kukla.

**7:36 PM Meeting adjourned.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jolene R. Henry  
Village Clerk