

President Munroe called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Trustee Andrade, Trustee Eandi, Trustee Giles-Brown, Trustee Kindred, Trustee Reiss, President Munroe, Clerk Gerberding, Attorney Schuering; **Members absent:** Trustee Butcher

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING ON April 13, 2026.

Trustee Kindred made a motion approving the minutes for the Board Meeting on April 13, 2026, with edits noted. Trustee Reiss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BILLS

Trustee Kindred made a motion approving the financial statements and bills. Trustee Andrade seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes	Trustee Eandi - yes
Trustee Giles-Brown – yes	Trustee Kindred - yes
Trustee Reiss - yes	

The motion passed with 5 yes votes and 0 no votes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Girl Scout Troop 6021 – Sydney, Scarlett, and Lylah from the troop presented their idea. This past year they earned the Bronze Award and are now working on their Silver Award. To do that, they had to identify a community activity. The troop would like to create a mural to demonstrate inclusion on the side of the restrooms by the playground at the park. The maintenance would be done by the Troop as well, particularly regarding vandalism. Trustee Reiss asked how long it will take to paint. Likely 1-3 months with it set to be completed in September. It will be pressure washed and then primed with white paint. The Troop will do the actual painting of characters. Trustee Andrade asked how it is being funded. The Troop will cover most of it. The Community can also help purchase supplies through a fundraiser. Trustee Kindred asked Supt. Foster how this fits with their work? Public Works is all good with the project occurring. Atty. Schuering suggested passing a resolution of the work to move forward and once the work is done a signature from an adult will be needed. Trustee Giles-Brown asked if the banner in the picture will be part of it. Yes, but there are still discussions about what would be on it – it could be a message or their Troop #. Trustee Andrade stated that he really likes what they are doing.

PUBLIC FORUM:

N/A

REPORTS

Chief of Police – Tim Sommer

See attached report – highlights below.

- A. Made an offer to a part-time officer for the full-time position. He declined it.
- B. They received 23 applications during their most recent hiring opening. Several are already certified officers with other agencies.
- C. The goal is for Officers Doolin and Jet to do a state -level training and be selected to go on to national level training to be certified.
- D. The black Impala has been having some engine issues and has been at Public Works for work several times over the last couple of weeks.
- E. Bill Tweryon shared his thanks to the Police Department for sitting near the school district in mornings and afternoons to slow people.

Public Works Superintendent – James Foster

See attached report – highlights below.

- A. The hollowed-out trees on E. Main Street are now down.
- B. The winds from a couple of weeks ago caused large trees and branches to come down that have now been picked up.
- C. The complaint that was filed is about a house that Public Works has been working with. The owners were supposed to have things cleaned up by April 30. That day has passed and it is not complete.
- D. The Historical Society has reached out about doing a reenactment. They are looking at doing some cannon and gunshots, but we have ordinances against those activities. Trustee Giles-Brown asked what this re-enactment is about. The Stone House is in the Village and is owned by the Historical Society. The discussion is on-going.
- E. Trustee Reiss asked how the tree planting went? Supt. Foster stated that it went really well. Trustee Giles-Brown was present to help. About 40 trees were planted across the village.
- F. Trustee Kindred asked about the gutter going in along the driveway to Village Hall. The Joint-Use Committee met, and they would like this put in to help with water drainage. The work can/would be done by Public Works.
- G. Joint Use Committee – Supt. Foster reviewed the topics talked about – the roof, siding/stucco, windows, etc. Repairs could be done on the Village Admin side only, but then it looks weird if the Library side of the building does not match.
- H. Trustee Reiss asked if the concession stand all good and ready to go. Supt. Foster answered yes, they are all good. There may be a couple of things we need to do, like adding a fire extinguisher. A couple of screens need repairs. She passed her Health Department inspection. Her grand opening is tomorrow (Tuesday) night 3-8 pm with the toast at 5:30 pm. The Wi-Fi has run into some issues. The Village Hotspot from the Library is on loan until the Wi-Fi can be fully connected. She appreciates all of the work that various people have been doing to get everything up and going. Pres. Monroe will follow up with Trustee Butcher on Wi-Fi details.

OLD BUSINESS:

ORD 25-29 - Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Village's Code of Ordinances to Impose Regulations Regarding the Operation of Low-Speed Electric Vehicles And Other Actions in Connection Therewith. Tony – the E-bike bill passed out of the Senate on 4/15. The General Assembly website shows a very good chance of becoming law. It is on the 2nd reading in the House. *Trustee Kindred made a motion tabling Ordinance 25-29. Trustee Giles-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously* via voice vote. If this does become law, we will need to pass something as the state law won't go into effect January 1, 2027.

ORD 26-02 - Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 110 of the Village's Code of Ordinances to Implement a New Process for Licensing Solicitors and Peddlers within the Village Limits and Other Actions in Connection Therewith. This has been handed over to Trustee Andrade. He knows it still needs to be tabled. *Trustee Andrade made a motion tabling Ordinance 26-02. Trustee Kindred seconded the motion.* The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Trustee Kindred made a motion to withdraw ordinances 26-10 and 26-11. Trustee Andrade seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

ORD 26-10 - Consideration of an Ordinance Rejecting the Recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to Deny a Variance of Section 156.172(C)(3) of the Village's Code of Ordinances As Applied to Parcel 23-22.0-227-018 (1230 Community Drive) for the Installation of a Sign Exceeding 25 Feet in Height along Illinois State Route 29; Granting a Variance of the Same Provisions; and Other Actions in Connection Therewith.

ORD 26-11 - Consideration of an Ordinance Accepting the Recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to Deny a Variance of Section 156.172(C)(3) of the Village's Code of Ordinances As Applied to Parcel 23-22.0-227-018 (1230 Community Drive) for the Installation of a Sign Exceeding 25 Feet in

Height along Illinois State Route 29; Granting a Variance of the Same Provisions; and Other Actions in Connection Therewith.

ORD 26-23 - Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement between the Village of Rochester and Hickory Point Bank as Custodian for the Robert K. Haag Self Directed IRA, for Property Identified as Parcel 23-15.0-403-006 (632 East Main Street, Rochester), And Other Actions in Connection Therewith. The owners are okay with the annexation being zoned as R-S. Atty. Schuering shared there is one point in the ordinance that relates to the TIF district. Under municipal code, we can change the agreement, but he would like to make sure the TIF attorneys are okay with the zoning. So, a vote can happen tonight, but information from the TIF attorneys' input would hold up the execution of the agreement. Bill Tweryon – are we talking about the flag or pole shape? They will both be annexed in as 2 separate pieces. Ray Bruzan – 601 E. Main St. – has lived in Rochester for 50 some years. The history of that part of town is the oldest part of town and where the Village really started. It was designed as a residential area. East of Oak Street plus a couple of houses, are newer houses. He gets nervous about bringing new parcels into the Village and making changes to the current area. He is suspicious that the group coming in wants to make all kinds of changes to the Village. Investment is one thing, but what about the investment existing residents have made over the years? Trustee Kindred stated that we can't stay stagnant. How does construction in that area impact water movement through the area? Supt. Foster shared that before building can happen, they would need to bring plans to the Village and those would need approved by the Village Engineer. Atty. Schuering clarified nothing can be built by virtue of this vote. This is annexation only. If they want to change the zoning, that would go through the Zoning process in the future. Plans being approved by engineers is part of ANY building process. This ordinance is only about annexation. He also shared exactly what type of construction could happen on an R-S zoned property. *Trustee Kindred made a motion approving Ordinance 26-23 subject to a final round of edits before the agreement is executed by Pres. Munroe. Trustee Reiss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.*

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes	Trustee Eandi - yes
Trustee Giles-Brown – yes	Trustee Kindred - yes
Trustee Reiss - yes	

The motion passed with 5 yes votes and 0 no votes.

ORD 26-24 - Annexing Certain Described Real Property Identified as Parcel 23-15.0-403-006 (632 E Main St, Rochester), And Other Actions in Connection Therewith. *Trustee Kindred made a motion approving Ordinance 26-24 subject to a final round of edits to conform to the agreement. Trustee Reiss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.*

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes	Trustee Eandi - yes
Trustee Giles-Brown – yes	Trustee Kindred - yes
Trustee Reiss - yes	

The motion passed with 5 yes votes and 0 no votes.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinances:

ORD 26-25 - Consideration of an Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of a 2026 Ford Explorer for Use by Certain Departments within the Village and Other Actions Therewith. With the pricing, RPD can only afford to get one vehicle. *Trustee Kindred made a motion approving Ordinance 26-25. Trustee Andrade seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.*

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes	Trustee Eandi - yes
Trustee Giles-Brown – yes	Trustee Kindred - yes
Trustee Reiss - yes	

The motion passed with 5 yes votes and 0 no votes.

ORD 26-26 - Consideration of an Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of a 2024 Ford Explorer for Use by Certain Departments within the Village and Other Actions Therewith. *Trustee Reiss made a motion approving Ordinance 26-26. Trustee Kindred seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.*

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes	Trustee Eandi - yes
Trustee Giles-Brown – yes	Trustee Kindred - yes
Trustee Reiss - yes	

The motion passed with 5 yes votes and 0 no votes.

ORD 26-27 - Consideration of an Ordinance Authorizing Amending Chapter 111 of the Village’s Code of Ordinances to Update Certain Provisions Pertaining to the Licensing of Establishments Selling Alcohol and Other Actions in Connection Therewith. More time is needed for review. *Trustee Reiss made a motion tabling Ordinance 26-27. Trustee Kindred seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.*

Resolutions:

RES 26-23 - Consideration of a Resolution Accepting a Proposal from Eck Schafer and Punke, LLP To Provide Audit Services to the Village; Authorizing Execution of a Professional Services Agreement Related Thereto; and Other Actions in Connection Therewith. The audit is scheduled for after Sparks in the Park and before school starts. This would be rehiring the firm we used last year. *Trustee Andrade made a motion approving Resolution 26-23. Trustee Giles-Brown seconded the motion.*

Roll Call vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes	Trustee Eandi - yes
Trustee Giles-Brown – yes	Trustee Kindred - yes
Trustee Reiss - yes	

The motion passed with 5 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Other Business:

N/A

UPCOMING DATES:

Upcoming Dates to Remember: (some meetings are tentative and could change, but will have the proper 48 hours posting notice)

Monday, May 18, 2026	TIF Joint Review Board Meeting @ 10 am
Tuesday, May 19, 2026	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting & Hearing @ 6:00 pm
Monday, May 25, 2026	Office Closed for Memorial Day Holiday
Tuesday, May 26, 2026	Committee of the Whole Meeting @ 5:30 pm
Monday, June 8, 2026	Village Board Meeting @ 5:30 pm

Motion to Adjourn

Trustee Kindred made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Andrade seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Gerberding
Village Clerk