

Trustee Butcher, serving as President Pro-Tem, called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING ON June 8, 2026.

Trustee Reiss made a motion approving the minutes for the Board Meeting on June 8, 2026, with edits noted. Trustee Kindred seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote. Trustee Butcher voted present.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BILLS

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

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes Trustee Giles-Brown - yes

Trustee Kindred - yes Trustee Reiss - yes

The motion passed with 4 yes votes and 0 no votes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

N/A

PUBLIC FORUM:

Allie Requerth – 5 Cherry Dr. – regarding the bell tower at St. Jude. She has continued to reach out to St. Jude for a conversation and no one has reached back out to her for any sort of discussion. She passed around a brochure of various facts and details she has collected since the bells started ringing. She shared details shared by St. Jude on social media and information she has collected. She purchased a decibel reader and shared those numbers during various ringings at locations around town (her home, the library, and the elementary school). While St. Jude says they have turned down the volume, it is still very loud in her neighborhood. Her request is to balance requests by residents to live in the Village along with churches and business in the Village. Trustee Andrade asked if she has reached out to the church directly. Ms. Requerth stated she went in person to the church and left a name and phone number and no one responded. She then posted on Who's Your Teacher and the issue became public. Trustee Kindred shared that the church had representatives at the last Board meeting. Ms. Requerth stated this is disrupting her household.

Emmit Chastain – 640 E Main St. – looking for an update on 220 E. Main St. house. That will be part of Supt. Foster's report later in the meeting.

Tom Walker – representative from St. Jude – last month there was a suggestion to readjust the speaker. They are in the process of making that happen. They can't give a date as the person doing it is busy with other businesses as well. Speakers now face NW, NE, and SW and they will be adjusted to NE, SW, and W. Trustee Kindred asked if the volume level is at 2. The volume has been lowered to 2, however, the tone of the bells make them louder. St. Jude is trying to accommodate requests, but it does take time. Ms. Requerth stated that the bells are not facing this area (the Village Hall), but they are still audible here. How will moving the speakers change that? St. Jude person – there is actually a speaker facing the Village Hall and DG Market. They have turned the volume down to level 1 and it was not heard even in the parking lot of the church. Trustee Kindred confirmed that St. Jude has heard the complaint and are working on it. Can we wait 30 days to see if there is a resolution? General consensus from the trustees is yes. Trustee Andrade asked St. Jude if they would let us know when you adjust the speaker. Tom, from St. Jude, replied yes, they can definitely do that.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Rochester Citizen of the Year – Pres. Protem Butcher read the proclamation aloud. The Proclamation was shared at the Sparks in the Park event recently. Mr. Jeff Reed received a key to the Village and a copy of the proclamation.

REPORTS

Chief of Police – Tim Sommer

See attached report – highlights below.

- A. Officer Snodgrass was offered employment and he accepted the offer. Paperwork is being finalized and should be done by the end of this week. The goal for him to start is July 27.
- B. Sparks – There were not really any issues. There were a few more volunteers than in the past.
- C. Giles-Brown shared that there were extra fireworks over this weekend. What were those about? Details were shared from various trustees, but Chief was not aware of the show.
- D. The entire 4th of July weekend, there were 0 calls and complaints.
- E. Trustee Reiss stated his appreciation for publishing numbers of calls in June on Facebook

Public Works Superintendent – James Foster

See attached report – highlights below.

- A. The house on E. Main – J.U.L.I.E. has been contacted and locates have been done. The plan is to demolish the house. The yard has been cleaned up.
- B. The CCR has been filed with the EPA and the Risk and Resilience report has also been filed with the EPA.
- C. Egizii was out and did yearly preventative maintenance on the stop lights.
- D. The bike trail backs up to some homes on W. Main. There are trees between the trail and property so the homeowners know exactly where the property line is. Their concern looking forward is if a tree falls, who would be responsible for cleaning it up? Kuhn and Trello is going to come out and identify lines for both the homeowners and the Village.
- E. Drainage updates around the Village Hall are underway.
- F. Tiny homes and should they be in the Village? There is nothing in the code that says yes or no to building Tiny Homes. Supt. Foster has shared this information with P & Z. This topic may come up in the future.
- G. Trustee Reiss asked if there are any issues at the park with sports being in full swing. Supt. Foster stated not really. There is a new shed for the soccer people. He is going to see if it can be moved from the parking lot to the area where soccer fields are. The shed was donated in honor of Jack Zucco. It is orange and blue. There are restraints on how to move the shed. Those conversations are in progress. There may be some memorial benches coming soon also.

OLD BUSINESS:

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. Trustee Andrade shared that he has not had time to get with Office Manager Burris yet to work on this. *Trustee Andrade made a motion tabling Ordinance 26-02. Trustee Kindred seconded the motion.* The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinances:

ORD 26-29 - 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. There is still work that needs done on this ordinance. *Trustee Andrade made a motion tabling Ordinance 26-29. Trustee Kindred seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.*

ORD 26-30 - Accepting the Recommendation of the Planning And Zoning Commission Denying the Request for a Variance for the Property Located at 419 Heathrow Lane and Other Actions in Connection Therewith. *Trustee Kindred made a motion approving Ordinance 26-30. Trustee Reiss seconded the motion.*

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes Trustee Giles-Brown - yes

Trustee Kindred- yes Trustee Reiss - yes

The motion passed with 4 yes votes and 0 no votes.

ORD 26-31 - Declaring Certain Vehicles Owned by the Rochester Police Department as Surplus; Authorizing Disposition Thereof and Other Actions in Connection Therewith. Chief Sommer explained they are looking to get rid of the Impalas with no AC. *Trustee Kindred made a motion approving Ordinance 26-31. Trustee Reiss seconded the motion.*

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes Trustee Giles-Brown - yes

Trustee Kindred- yes Trustee Reiss - yes

The motion passed with 4 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Resolutions:

RES 26-26 - Accepting Bids for the Roof Replacement at Village Hall; Authorizing Execution of an Agreement Related Thereto; And Other Actions In Connection Therewith. Trustee Kindred shared that he had talked with Supt. Foster. Prevailing wage was a requirement for everyone that submitted a bid. When Trustee Kindred did his math, he suspects that prevailing wage was not included in all of the bids. Discussion followed about various aspects of the decision. Trustee Reiss asked if this amount is in the budget for 2027. Supt. Foster answered yes, there is money in the budget to an extent. *Trustee Andrade made a motion tabling Resolution 26-26 to verify with companies that they followed instructions with a meeting scheduled for COW. Trustee Giles-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.*

RES 26-27 - Authorizing the Girl Scouts to Paint a Mural on Certain Buildings Owned by the Village of Rochester as Part of a Community Service Project and Other Actions in Connection Therewith. They are raising funds for the paint. Supt. Foster has promised that Public Works will take care of the base coat for them. *Trustee Kindred made a motion approving Resolution 26-27. Trustee Giles-Brown seconded the motion.*

Roll Call vote was taken:

Trustee Andrade - yes Trustee Giles-Brown - yes

Trustee Kindred- yes Trustee Reiss - yes

The motion passed with 4 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)

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Monday, July 27, 2026

Committee of the Whole Meeting @ 5:30 pm

Monday, August 10, 2026

Village Board Meeting @ 5:30 pm

Motion to Adjourn

Trustee Giles-Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Andrade seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 6:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Gerberding
Village Clerk