

VILLAGE OF LOAMI
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 14, 2025

ROLL CALL

TRUSTEES

Jay Branson	ABSENT
Billy Cohen	PRESENT
Todd Lawson	ABSENT
Rose Mann	ABSENT
Courtney Schmideler	PRESENT
Christina Stark	PRESENT

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Steven Lambert, Mayor	PRESENT
Carissa Grider, Village Clerk	PRESENT
Brad Colantino, Treasurer	PRESENT
Stan Workman, Chief	PRESENT
Anthony Schuering, Village Attorney	PRESENT

Mayor Lambert called the Public Hearing to order at 5:45PM

Attorney Schuering gave an overview of the Ordinance Amending Chapter 22 of the Village's Code of Ordinances to Implement Regulations Required Under the Local Governmental Acceptance of Credit Cards Act and Other Actions in Connection Therewith. There were no questions from the public.

Public Hearing ended at 5:50PM.

Mayor Lambert opened the Regular Board Meeting up at 6 PM.

MAYOR UPDATE: Mayor Lambert stated there is a full agenda and since there are only three (3) trustees nothing can be voted on at the regular meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Colantino presented the July 2025 treasurer's report to the board for approval.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Clerk Grider presented July 10, 2025, Regular Board Meeting minutes for approval.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS: Clerk Grider presented the unpaid bills to the board for approval.

Mayor Lambert inquired if there will be implications if the bills are not paid. Clerk Grider stated there will be penalties/late fees assessed to village accounts if some bills are not paid.

VISITORS:

Craig Hall who represents District 7 on the Sangamon County Board addressed the board. He thanked everyone for supporting him on the county board and stated he will not be running for another term in 2026. Craig discussed the Loami/Bates Road because there are multiple people agreeing that it needs work. Craig stated he is working with the Sangamon County engineer. Craig and the engineer agree that the first problem is drainage, and this has to be fixed before anything. Craig invited everyone to speak to the Sangamon County Board.

Resident Larry Richie addressed the board concerning a weed and tall grass problem on Main and Witt Street. He stated there are weeds obstructing the stop sign on Main and Witt Street and said that's a safety concern. He also stated the vacant lot on Main and Witt Street is full of tall grass.

Larry also addressed that he was on the reservoir committee and the committee worked hard on cleaning around the reservoir. He stated the weeds are back and are really tall on the north side of the reservoir. He stated there are aqua control companies that can help with this problem.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Lambert gave an overview of Ordinance Number 2025-06, An Ordinance Establishing a Prevailing Wage for the Village of Loami, Illinois.

Mayor Lambert gave an overview of Ordinance Number 2025-07, An Ordinance to Allow Village of Loami to Accept Credit Card Payments as a Form of Payment.

Mayor Lambert gave an overview of Resolution Number 2025-07, Appoint Chairman of Loami Celebration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE – Trustee Schmideler stated each year IDOT requests all Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) financial documents from the previous year, and they compare our records to their records. The Village of Loami passed the audit, and all records were true and correct.

Trustee Schmideler also stated the bank accounts with United Community Bank (UCB) are in the process of being updated.

PUBLIC WORKS – Public Works Superintendent Langenfeld stated they have been doing some road patching in the village. He also stated the pump air reading system used for reading the pump on Curran Road has not been working and they are in process of fixing it.

PUBLIC SAFETY –Chief Workman submitted the Police Report to the board, which is on file at the Clerk's office.

Trustee Cohen stated he rode around with Chief Workman and reviewed problem properties. He stated he tried to contact the owner Main and Witt Street but due to unforeseen circumstances he was unable to get in contact with him. Chief Workman stated the old school property is getting out of control with weeds and grass, Trustee Cohen will get updated pictures of the property and send the Clerk Grider to issue a second ordinance violation letter.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Mayor Lambert stated the village is in the process of getting an ordinance pertaining to solar installation.

LOAMI EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (LEMA) – Mayor Lambert stated himself and LEMA coordinator Schmideler met, and they are in process of developing a one (1) page procedure of storm spotting.

COMMUNITY LIFE – Trustee Stark stated twenty-two (22) water/sewer customers have signed up for e-billing.

Trustee Stark stated she is in process of working with the Loami Food Pantry on a micro-pantry. Trustee Stark stated she would like to update the community calendar with upcoming community events. She also stated the Senior Dinner will be held on Saturday, August 16th.

Trustee Stark stated she will work on the possibility of having a Farmer's Market in August.

Trustee Stark stated she would like to get a monthly newsletter out for the village.

With no further business at hand, Trustee Schmideler made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting; Trustee Cohen seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The next regular board meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2025.

Respectively Submitted,
Carissa E. Grider, Village Clerk