

VILLAGE OF LOAMI
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 11, 2025

ROLL CALL

TRUSTEES

Jay Branson	ABSENT
Billy Cohen	PRESENT
Todd Lawson	PRESENT
Rose Mann	PRESENT
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 opened the Regular Board Meeting up at 6 PM.

MAYOR UPDATE: Mayor Lambert stated we are in process of filling our zoning board. He asked the trustees to reach out to residents they know that might be interested in helping the community. Mayor Lambert stated there are seven (7) spots to be filled.

Attorney Schuering stated he emailed the board members with information for training that is state of Illinois mandatory for all village employees.

TRUSTEE MANN: Trustee Mann expressed personal concern regarding a text message and email they received. The trustee shared their feelings about the communication with the board. No further action was taken.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Colantino presented the August 2025 treasurer's report to the board for approval. Trustee Lawson made a motion to accept the report. Trustee Cohen seconded the motion. Vote taken; motion carried. Roll call – Cohen- Aye, Lawson – Aye, Mann – Aye, Schmideler- Aye, Stark- Aye, Nay – 0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Clerk Grider presented August 14, 2025, Regular Board Meeting minutes for approval. Trustee Cohen made a motion to approve the minutes. Trustee Stark seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Clerk Grider presented August 17, 2025, Special Board Meeting minutes for approval. Trustee Schmideler made a motion to approve the minutes. Trustee Cohen seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS: Clerk Grider presented the unpaid bills to the board for approval. Trustee Lawson made a motion to approve the unpaid bills as presented to the board. Trustee Cohen seconded the motion. Vote taken; motion carried. Roll call – Cohen- Aye, Lawson – Aye, Mann – Aye, Schmideler- Aye, Stark- Aye, Nay – 0.

VISITORS:

Members of the Loami Celebration committee, Jill Withers and Shannon Crawford addressed the board. Jill Withers stated she has been a life long resident of rural Loami and her mission for the committee is to make our home a better place. Shannon Crawford stated she supports Erin Cohen as being the president of the Loami Celebration committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Lori Milosevich from Capital Accounting & Audit LLC reviewed the 2024/2025 fiscal year audit for the Village of Loami. They have no recommendations for the Village of Loami. Mayor Lambert thanked Lori Milosveich, Clerk Grider and Treasurer Colantino for all their work on a good/clean audit.

Mayor Lambert stated that at the meeting there are several Loami Celebration committee members that are supportive of this resolution. He also stated that this resolution is important so the committee can continue having fundraisers and community events. Trustee Schmideler made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2025-07, Appoint Chairman of Loami Celebration. Trustee Stark seconded the motion. Vote taken; Roll call – Cohen- Abstain, Lawson- Aye, Mann – Abstain, Schmideler- Aye, Stark- Aye, Ayes- 3, Nay – 0, Abstain- 3. Motion failed. Resolution 2025-07 did not pass.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE – Trustee Schmideler stated the 2023/2024 audit was good and clean.

PUBLIC WORKS – Trustee Lawson stated he is working on getting new signs for the park. Discussion was held regarding the quantity of signs and placement of the signs. Also discussed were the ballfields previously were named Withers Field 1 and Withers Field 2. Mayor Lambert expressed his desire to preserve the history of Loami.

Trustee Lawson stated he has a map of the streets in Loami and which sidewalks need to be repaired.

Kyle Langenfeld Public Works Superintendent stated a fire hydrant had been hit by Sangamon County Highway Department while mowing the ditches and it was repaired quickly.

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

Trustee Cohen stated second letters will be mailed out tomorrow, Friday, September 12th for the residents who had ordinance violations. The first letters were mailed out on May 27th.

Chief Workman stated he toured the New Berlin Junior High/High School and stated the new school building is very secure.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Trustee Mann stated there were one (1) building permit and one (1) recreational vehicle permit issued for August 2025.

LOAMI EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (LEMA) – Mayor Lambert stated he connected with LEMA coordinator Matt Schmideler, and they are getting in contact with the siren company.

COMMUNITY LIFE – Trustee Stark stated a web form has been created to make is easier for water/sewer customers to sign up for e-statements. Trustee Stark stated thirty-four (34) water/sewer customers have signed up for e-billing.

Trustee Stark gave an update on community events happening; Garage Sale will be on September 28th, our first Farmer's Market will hopefully be next weekend.

Trustee Stark stated the Loami Christian Church may host the micro-pantry at their church.

Mayor Lambert inquired about what events we are missing due to not passing Resolution 2025-07, Trustee Stark stated the committee may miss doing the pancake & sausage fundraiser which raises a significant amount for the committee.

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

The next regular board meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Thursday, October 9, 2025.

Respectively Submitted,
Carissa E. Grider, Village Clerk