SPECIAL MEETING JULY 8, 2025

## PRESIDING OFFICER, THOMAS J. GARDNER, MAYOR

**ROLL CALL:** 

PRESENT: Joe Bourne, Brandie Bourne, Ed Steffek, Nate Penrod, Steve Adams, John Little

ABSENT: N/A

OTHER ATTENDEES: DJ Meek, Donna Meek

VISITORS: Nancy Bourne, Chad Bourne and a group of Historical Society Members

MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE

The meeting was opened with The Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Gardner.

**SPECIAL MEETING** called for the purpose of the hiring of a Street Commissioner for the village.

\*Heard that Mayor Gardner has four candidates interested in the Street Commissioner's open position. Danny Bloom, Chad Bourne, Tim Bryant and Nate Penrod.

\*Gardner indicated that the Union Cemetery Board had a special meeting on July 6, 2025 and voted to hire Tim Bryant for the cemetery laborer position.

\*Solicitor Mark Perlaky was phoned to be on a conference call with the village council for answering questions concerning the vote for the street commissioner position. Perlaky stated that if council member Nate Penrod applies for the street commissioner position, he must resign his council member's position prior to the voting process. Perlaky also stated that Brandie and Joe Bourne (both council members) would need to abstain from all voting on all candidates; as Chad Bourne was applying for the Street Commissioner's position. (Chad Bourne is son/grandson to Brandie and Joe Bourne). Some discussion transpired with Perlaky on the hiring of the street commissioner's position.

\*Mayor Gardner opened the floor for the voting process of the hiring for the Street Commissioner's position.

Mayor Gardner asked if there was a motion on the floor for Chad Bourne to be hired as Street Commissioner. There was not a motion presented for the hiring of Chad Bourne for the Street Commissioner position.

Mayor Gardner then asked council if there was a motion on the floor for Tim Bryant to be hired as Street Commissioner.

**Motion was made by Ed Steffek and seconded by John Little** to hire Tim Bryant as the Village Street Commissioner. Roll call taken as follows: Joe Bourne abstain, Steve Adams yay, Nate Penrod yay, Brandie Bourne abstain, John Little yay, Ed Steffek yay. Brandie Bourne and Joe Bourne had to abstain as another applicant was a relative of the Bourne's.

Next meeting will be July 15, 2025 at 7:00pm.  Meeting Adjourned	
	Date
Thomas J. Gardner, Mayor	
	Date
Darissa R. Lute, Fiscal Officer	

<sup>\*</sup>Nate Penrod withdrew his name for consideration of the Street Commissioner's position.