

Village of Varna --- Minutes of Regular Village Board Meeting
Varna Community Center, 512 Main Street, Varna, IL
Monday, January 5, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

NOTE: At this meeting, the Board may consider and act upon the items set forth on this Agenda

Call Meeting to Order President Louis Holocker

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Louis Holocker	P	Susan Chambers	P	LeRoy Marliere	P	Barry Meierkord	P
		Jeff Rinaldo	P	David Todd	P	Marty Kruse	P

Motion to Approve Minutes

Motion 1st LeRoy Marliere

2nd Susan Chambers

Susan Chambers	A	LeRoy Marliere	A	Barry Meierkord	A
Jeff Rinaldo	A	David Todd	A	Marty Kruse	A

Motion to Accept Treasurer's Report and place it on file (Roll Call Vote)

Motion 1st Marty Kruse

2nd LeRoy Marliere

Susan Chambers	A	LeRoy Marliere	A	Barry Meierkord	A
Jeff Rinaldo	A	David Todd	A	Marty Kruse	A

Motion to Approve Payment of Current Bills (Roll Call Vote)

Motion 1st David Todd

2nd LeRoy Marliere

Susan Chambers	A	LeRoy Marliere	A	Barry Meierkord	A
Jeff Rinaldo	A	David Todd	A	Marty Kruse	A

Reports

1. Treasurer
2. Maintenance
3. Water Works
4. Clerk
5. Ordinance Violations

406 Olive – Vehicle in back yard has been removed.

409 Chestnut-Vehicle with flat tire has been repaired and operable.

411 Pine- Camper will be getting a sticker by the next meeting.

742 Main-Has a vehicle that has expires plates and inoperable – need to send letter.

513 Chestnut- Spoke to owner about the plates on vehicle and he stated that he was going to sell it or remove it. A letter has been sent. It will turn over.

504 & 509 Walnut (509 is a rental) received letter. Vehicle on the street needs to be towed. It has three flat tires. Need to send letter to the renter to let them know that it needs to be operable.

509 Pine St -letter has been sent about past water delinquency and boat trailer has no plate.

Baum- Spoke to a couple of times about vehicles and junk. Even offered help and he has declined help. He does have a dumpster and is cleaning up. Has gotten rid of one vehicle and still has one in the driveway and boat trailer in the back and vehicle at other residents. Need letter sent.

Public Comments (Per Res. 2023-12-04, each speaker has 5 minutes & the public comment period is limited to 30 min.)

Approval of Travel Request(s). (If any)

Old Business

1. Discuss and Act on Goodfield State Bank with President Chad Martin

It was approved to change the Water account from a regular checking account to a sweep checking account that is interest bearing.

Motion 1st Marty Kruse

2nd LeRoy Marliere

Susan Chambers	A	LeRoy Marliere	A	Barry Meierkord	A
Jeff Rinaldo	A	David Todd	A	Marty Kruse	A

New Business

1. Update on 307 W. Madison demolition proceeding and act on Resolution 2026-01-05A to solicit bids for the property.

Maubach Trucking & Excavating gave us a bid of \$13,500 to Demolition or he would be interested in taking possession of the property and he will do the demo at no expense to the village. If the village ends up with the property and has the home demolition, the village will have to maintain the property.

It has been approved to take action, on getting bids for the demolition.

Motion 1st Barry Meierkord

2nd LeRoy Marliere

Susan Chambers	A	LeRoy Marliere	A	Barry Meierkord	A
Jeff Rinaldo	A	David Todd	A	Marty Kruse	A

2. Discuss and Act on Resolution No. 2026-01-05B Authorizing the Destruction of Executive Session Recordings (March 2023 and May 2024)

Approved to delete audio recordings of Executive Session

Motion 1st LeRoy Marliere

2nd David Todd

Susan Chambers	A	LeRoy Marliere	A	Barry Meierkord	A
Jeff Rinaldo	A	David Todd	A	Marty Kruse	A

3. Discuss and Act on Water Rates and New Water Connection Rates

It has been approved to increase the water rates by \$2.00.

It has been approved to increase New Water Connection Rates

Residential in town \$500.00

Residential out of town \$750.00

Commercial \$1,000 and additional fees for extra footage

Motion 1st David Todd

2nd Barry Meierkord

Susan Chambers	A	LeRoy Marliere	A	Barry Meierkord	A
Jeff Rinaldo	A	David Todd	A	Marty Kruse	A

4. Discuss and Act Mandatory Water Service
Tabled

Motion 1st LeRoy Marliere

2nd David Todd

Susan Chambers	A	LeRoy Marliere	A	Barry Meierkord	A
Jeff Rinaldo	A	David Todd	A	Marty Kruse	A

President's Report

Trustee Comments: Suggested that we have a Welcome Packet of new residents.

Correspondence

Executive Session (if needed)

Adjournment

Motion 1st LeRoy Marliere

2nd David Todd

Susan Chambers	A	LeRoy Marliere	A	Barry Meierkord	A
Jeff Rinaldo	A	David Todd	A	Marty Kruse	A

Louis Holocker
Louis Holocker as Village President

Wendy J. Todd
Wendy Todd as Village Clerk