

Village of Varna Minutes of regular Village Board Meeting
Varna Community Center, 512 Main Street, Varna, IL
Monday, August 4, 2025, 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

Move 1st: LeRoy Marliere

Move 2nd: David Todd

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

Motion to Approve (and possibly to release) Minutes of Executive Session of May 5, 2025
Has been approved without release.

Move 1st: David Todd

Move 2nd: Barry Meierkord

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)

Move 1st: Marty Kruse

Move 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)

Move 1st: LeRoy Marliere

Move 2nd: Marty Kruse

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

New Pump is working well. Hydrants will be flushed on August 21, 2025.

4. Clerk

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

New Business

1. Discuss and Act on Fall Clean Up Date

It has been approved to have Fall Clean Up on September 6th, 2025.

Move 1st: LeRoy Marliere

Move 2nd: Marty Kruse

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

2. Discuss and Act on Fall Community Garage Sale

It has been decided that the village will not be having a fall, Sale.

Move 1st: Marty Kruse

Move 2nd: Jeff Rinaldo

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

3. Discuss and Act on Water CD Maturing on 2025-8-9.

Approved to renew the CD with the highest rate available with a term not to exceed 12 months.

Move 1st: Barry Meierkord

Move 2nd: Marty Kruse

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

4. Discuss and Act on Cutting Curb at 406 Chestnut for Driveway Install

After great discussion, without having a proven plan that it will work without problems, it has been decided to not approve the cutting of the curb.

Move 1st: David Todd

Move 2nd: Barry Meierkord

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

5. Discuss and Act on Grants for Unsewered Communities

Approved to start the process.

Move 1st: LeRoy Marliere

Move 2nd: Marty Kruse

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

6. Discuss and Act on Carport Install at 206 Monroe

(Stabilizer Posts on Village Right-of-Way Containing Water Main)

Approved for Jim to install his carport and if water line needs repaired Jim Kingen has agreed to move at his expense.

Move 1st: Marty Kruse

Move 2nd: Barry Meierkord

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

7. Discuss and Act on Open Space Land Acquisition & Development Grant
(Funding for Resurfacing Basketball and Tennis Courts)
Approved to move forward on getting ready for next year's grant.
Will have an open town meeting to hear ideas from the community and document them. Meeting date
TBD either in March or April of 2026.

Move 1st: LeRoy Marliere

Move 2nd: Susan Chambers

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

8. Discuss and Act on Drainage Issues at Main, Olive, and Front Streets Affecting the Pump House
Approved to add Riser to relieve presser on the tiles. Locate all tile risers.

Move1st: Marty Kruse

Move 2nd: LeRoy Marliere

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

9. Discuss and Act on Ord. No. 297: An Ordinance Annexing Territory Identified
by Property Index # 06-28-281-002 to the Village of Varna
Approved

Move1st: LeRoy Marliere

Move 2nd: David Todd

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

10. Discuss and Act on Ord. No. 298: An Ordinance Annexing Territory Identified
by Property Index # 06-28-402-010 to the Village of Varna
Approved

Move1st: LeRoy Marliere

Move 2nd: David Todd

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

11. Discuss and Act on Ord. No. 299: An Ordinance Adopting a Municipal Grocery
Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax for the Village of Varna
Previously approved, now decided to pass the tax.

Move1st: LeRoy Marliere

Move 2nd: Susan Chambers

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

President's Report

Trustee Comments: 1) Joyce Strong \$32 for gravel & gas for parking area behind fence.

2) One week time limit for Buick Building, then village will go in.

3) Going to take action on 209 Vine St, will call EPA about tires, and abate.

Correspondence

Executive Session (if needed)

Adjournment

Move 1st: LeRoy Marliere

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

Move 2nd: Jeff Rinaldo

Louis Holocker

Louis Holocker, Village President

Wendy G. Todd

Wendy Todd, Village Clerk