

Village of Mapleton
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, July 30, 2025
6:30 p.m.

- 1) **Call to order** meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Rhonda Hodges
- 2) **Roll Call:** Present were Rhonda Hodges, Rodney Smith, Ben Hausam, Terri Baker and Terry Francis-Wright, Clerk

3) **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

4) **Public Comments-Items on the Agenda (3 minutes per person**

5) **Water**

Discuss maintenance & updates:

Discuss equipment needs:

There was discussion about needing a regulator for top of hill, an isolation valve for downtown, rental of sonar detectors to locate shut off valves on First Street that are concealed under seal coating, add a shut off valve at tower. The need to hire out for the replacements needed for deep wall vaults since Jesse & Bill cannot get to them. Phase II on the computer upgrade at the tower will need to install air conditioning in the chemical room with possible installation through the wall. Jesse and Bill will be mapping each house for location of water meters and water lines.

Discuss delinquent accounts:

There was discussion on establishing a written agreement to help people who have had a water leak or other issue and a very large water bill that may need to spread out payments.

6) **Zoning**

Discuss current procedures: Discussion on changing procedures to call or visit residents about a complaint first before just sending out a letter. Then send a letter if needed. Also checking about small claims courts to cut down on legal fees if things are not settled. Need to change ordinance from using registered mail to certified mail.

Discuss violations: Need to come up with a list of violations and start the process. Need to review fee schedule for violations

Discuss complaints: No complaints at this time.

7) **Finance**

Discuss website and document updates: There was discussion on setting up the contract for the web designer to update the website and streamline paperwork and accessibility on the website.

Discuss equipment needs: Monthly expenses can be added to payroll for ease of tracking and paying.

8) Liquor

Discuss late fees: The board discussed that other municipalities are implementing late fees for delays with liquor permits not turned in on time.

9) Street

Discuss maintenance building changes: Rodney was able to have a spec sheet created for the building so there is no need to pay for an architect. The building will be put out for bid. There are trees on the lot that need removed due to the septic system. There is a possibility the building next to the tower may be for sale, which could be a pro since it is already built and has a floor and electricity. Some work would be needed down the road and if need be, a small garage could be put next to the hall.

Discuss maintenance & update needs: No major needs currently. Already scheduled spray patching for the year.

10) Public Comments-Items NOT on the Agenda (3 minutes per person)

11) Announcements: IML offering free registration for 112th IML Annual Conference on September 18-20, 2025, if anyone is interested guest speaker Mike Singletary

12) Additional Business, if any: Rodney is checking on Ameren who is offering discounts for LED lighting for hall and streetlights. Discussed the mop is locked in the supply closet so not accessible and putting it in the kitchen is not an option, but the Bissell could be left out for clean up.

13) Adjourn Open Session adjourned at 7:32 PM