

State of Illinois

December 16, 2025

County of Monroe

Village of Valmeyer

REGULAR MEETING

Roll Call: Howard Heavner, Kyle Duffy, Rob Nowlan, Tim Valentine, Kaylee Dependahl were all present with Butch Ford and Adam Tyberendt absent. Also in attendance were Dennis Knobloch, Larry Andres, Tim Richards, Marty Seitz, Larry Chausse, Terry Marquardt and Jeremy Eckenfels. There being a quorum present the meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Heavner, at the Village Hall.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved with a motion by Valentine, second by Nowlan, all aye, Tyberendt and Ford absent, motion carried.

Also in attendance were Jason Niebruegge, Scott Woodsmall and the family of Terry Marquardt.

Heavner read the following Proclamation:

Village of Valmeyer

WHEREAS, because of the many important contributions Marty Seitz has made to the Village of Valmeyer, he is deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Marty took his first oath of office as a police officer with the Village of Valmeyer in January of 2016; and

WHEREAS, Marty Seitz's career as a Valmeyer Police Officer and Chief spanned 10 years as he dedicated himself to the highest standards of professionalism and excellence; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement as a full-time officer, Marty will continue to assist the Valmeyer Police Department on a part-time basis; and

WHEREAS, these are only words on paper that cannot fully represent Marty Seitz's contributions to the Village of Valmeyer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Howard K. Heavner, Mayor of Valmeyer, so hereby proclaim the Village of Valmeyer will celebrate Chief Marty Seitz Week within the Village of Valmeyer from Monday, December 15th to Sunday, December 21st, 2025. This will be conducted in recognition of Marty's exceptional service, distinguished career and commitment to the residents, families, and businesses of the Village of Valmeyer.

Following the reading of the proclamation, Heavner shared a few words, thanking Marty for his service to the Village of Valmeyer. Heavner stated that Seitz is like a 'dog', dependable, dedicated and reliable-leaving people feeling comfortable and safe when he is around.

Officer Terry Marquardt was sworn in as Chief of Police for the Village of Valmeyer by President Heavner. Congratulations to Chief Marquardt!

The monthly expenditures were read. A motion to approve was made by Duffy, second by Dependahl, all aye, Tyberendt and Ford absent, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was presented. A motion to approve was made by Nowlan, second by Duffy, all aye, Tyberendt and Ford absent, motion passed.

Committee Report:

- Economic Development: Nothing to report
- Planning: Nothing to report
- Infrastructure: Nothing to report
- Recreation: Nothing to report
- Emergency Services: Nothing to report
- Finance: Nothing to report

Old Business:

Knobloch informed the Board that the TIF District meeting is December 17th at 1:30pm. This is the first meeting since the extension of the TIF District and the reorganization of pay. The Village will receive \$50,000 to be put into the Infrastructure account, the Village will then be reimbursed for their expenses of snow removal and annual audit of the TIF account. The remaining balance is then divided into half, with half going to Admiral Parkway and the other half being split into the 7 taxing districts. Knobloch recommended that the Board approve the TIF District Report. A motion to approve the report was made by Valentine, second by Duffy, all aye, Tyberendt and Ford absent, motion passed.

Knobloch provided details for the America250 Celebration-Ringing of the Bells. The celebration will take place on January 1, 2026, at noon at the Village Hall in Valmeyer. The Heritage Society is covering the expense of 250 bells that will be handed out to community members present at the event-total expense of about \$500. If any Board members would like to help with the event, they should let Knobloch know.

Richards provided the Board with the estimate the Village received from Henke Excavating for the storm drain in Barmann's backyard. The estimate came in at \$18,808.00. It was also mentioned that the Village's attorney is going to prepare paperwork stating that the Village is no longer responsible for fixing anything else regarding this storm drain after it is fixed this last time. A motion to accept the bid from Henke Excavating was made by Valentine, second by Nowlan, all aye, Tyberendt and Ford absent, motion passed.

Heavner stated that they started transplanting the trees in the Old Town and transplanted a few by the Lions Pavilion.

New Business:

Resolution 25-04, 2026 Meeting Dates. A motion to approve Resolution 25-04 was made by Dependahl, second by Duffy, all aye, Tyberendt and Ford absent, motion passed.

Resolution 25-05, 2026 Village Holidays. A motion to approve Resolution 25-05 was made by Valentine, second by Duffy, all aye, Tyberendt and Ford absent, motion passed.

Marquardt stated that they want to get an ad started for part-time police officers. He stated that he recommends we raise the part-time police officer pay to \$25 per hour. A motion to approve raising the part time police officer pay to \$25 per hour as of January 1st, 2026, was made by Duffy, second by Dependahl, all aye, Tyberendt and Ford absent, motion passed.

Richards stated that Jason Niebruegge purchased the Old Mike's building in the Old Town mid-October 2025. He started work repairing the building prior to getting a permit from Village Hall. A temporary Stop Work Order was delivered until we can figure out the permit while being compliant with FEMA. With the property being in the Flood plain, it complicates the procedure, quite a bit, requiring a lot of paperwork and very strict rules. One of the rules being that you cannot spend more than 50% of the appraised value of the building. Richards reached out to the Village Attorney for his interpretation of the code and is asking the Board how they want to approach this. Heavner stated that the Board needs to review the new Flood Plain code that was adopted earlier this year before they proceed any further. Niebruegge stated that he would just like to be able to get the building closed up and secured for liability reasons.

Heavner ended the meeting by stating that it has been an interesting year with a lot of ups and downs. He proceeded to thank everyone around the table and stated that they come here with a purpose. He thanked everyone for their contributions throughout the year.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. was made by Duffy, second by Nowlan, all aye, Tyberendt and Ford absent, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Stuckmeyer, Village Clerk