

VILLAGE OF PAWNEE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of July 27, 2026

Call to Order:

- President Clarke called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Roll Call:

- Deputy Village Clerk, Leah Wise called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Dale Walters, Phillip Thompson, Troy Grant, Patrick Murphy, Erika Guess
- Trustees Absent: David Skinner
- Also in attendance: Village Administrator Brent Wise, Chief Barclay Harris, Travis Simpson, Bill Beaty, Deb Higgason

Visitor's Recognition/Comments:

- Deb Higgason, owner of Higgy's, advised the board of a benefit that Higgy's will be putting on August 29, 2026 and asked for a one-day liquor license for the Village Square pavilion. The UTV ride will leave at 11:30am from the pavilion and will arrive back to the pavilion for the fish fry that starts at 4:30pm at Higgy's. The board will donate the one-day liquor license and the rental for porta potties and a washing station for the event.

Clerk's Report:

- Minutes of July 13, 2026 were presented for review and approval
Motion made by Trustee Murphy to approve the minutes of July 13, 2026 as presented
Second made by Thompson
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (5-0)

Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Trustee Walters presented the bills payable for the week ending July 27, 2026 in the amount of \$123,705.21
Motion made by Trustee Walters to approve the bills payable for the week ending July 27, 2026 in the amount of \$123,705.21
Second made by Trustee Grant
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (5-0)
- Village Administrator Brent Wise presented the Financial Report for the Month Ending June 30, 2026
Motion made by Trustee Murphy to accept Village Administrator Brent Wise's Financial Report for the Month Ending June 30, 2026
Second made by Trustee Guess
Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Guess-yes
Motion Carried: (5-0)

- Village Administrator Brent Wise presented the board of the Appropriations Ordinance for the upcoming year.
Motion made by Trustee Murphy to approve the FY26-27 Appropriations Ordinance as presented by Village Administrator Brent Wise
 Second made by Trustee Thompson
 Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Guess-yes
 Motion Carried: (5-0)

Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Walters

- Trustee Walters advised the board that Andy Lee finished the water main installation of the San Terra project. The first set of water samples have been approved by the EPA and the second set of samples are in the process of approval. Next, they will finish customer hookups to the 6 residents that the area affects. Outsourcing the project would have cost around \$250,000-300,000, but by doing it in house, they were able to finish the project at around \$85,000.
- Trustee Walters advised the board that 56 red letters went out this month.

Streets, Alley and Sidewalk Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Grant

- Trustee Grant advised the board of the street department have been fixing a couple of tiles and the summer help has been finishing up with cleaning and trimming back alley ways.

Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Skinner

- Chief Barclay Harris advised the board that the portable radios have come in and are being distributed. They were not approved for the portable radio grant but will continue to apply for the grant to cover base radios. The police have until 2030 to get all the radios changed out.

Sewers and Parks Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson

- Travis Simpson advised the board of the continual mowing and spraying and that the boards by the turf have been stained.

Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Murphy

- Trustee Murphy advised the board of a Zoning meeting scheduled for August 10 at 6pm to take care of a fence issue at 1136 Henkle as well as the issues pertaining to The Shed at 210 Carroll.
- Trustee Murphy advised the board of several shed & fence permits including a 400ft deck and pool at 209 Carroll. He also advised the board of 4 properties that need attention. One property is on Lincoln, one near San Terra, one on 104 & 7th that has just been taken over by a new owner, and one on 4th street. The owner of the the 4th street property has until August 1, 2026 to decide how to move forward. If he doesn't take any action, then Don Craven will send out a Fix or Flatten letter to begin proceedings.
- Trustee Murphy advised the board of a resident requesting a change to the privacy fence ordinance. They are seeking permission to allow the rough side of the boards to face outside and allow the residents to face the more aesthetic side inward toward their own property. Trustee Murphy strongly advised against it so that it doesn't stir others to seek the same amendment.

New Business:

- Trustee Grant presented the board with a bid from Kuhn & Trello for a total of \$39,450.00 for the MFT Chip Seal Project

Motion made by Trustee Grant to accept the bid of \$39,450.00 from Kuhn & Trello.

Second made by Trustee Thompson

Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Guess-yes

Motion Carried: (5-0)

- President Clarke advised the board that the Village needs a new tractor with a new mowing deck to replace our old one that has well over 748 hours and bald tires. We are going to sell the old tractor and look to purchase a new tractor with a larger (8ft) mowing deck. The new tractor will have a front bucket loader.

Motion made by Trustee Thompson to approve a new tractor with front loader and mower deck for up to \$80,000.

Second made by Trustee Guess

Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Guess-yes

Motion Carried: (5-0)

Motion to Adjourn:

- **Motion** made by Trustee Murphy to adjourn

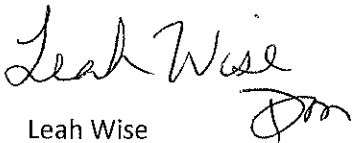
Second made by Trustee Walters

Roll Call Vote Taken: Walters-yes, Thompson-yes, Grant-yes, Murphy-yes, Guess-yes

Motion Carried: (5-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:29pm on Monday, July 27, 2026. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, August 10, 2026 at the Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leah Wise". To the right of the signature is a small, stylized mark that appears to be a flourish or a second signature.

Leah Wise
Deputy Village Clerk