

July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026

The Village of Oblong Board of Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, in the Farley Room of the Municipal Building.

**Members Present:** Mayor Teresa K. Fielder, Clerk Stacey Brock, Treasurer Cary Bonnell, Trustee Dave Hasty, Trustee Earl Deckard, Trustee Jay Haines, and Trustee Byron Sanders. Trustee Terry “Toad” Ochs was absent.

**Others Present:** Gary Lanter, Terry Manhart (OPW Superintendent), Colton Williamson (Chief of Police), Resa Shaner (CCDA).

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by the Mayor. Mayor T asked everyone to stand and say the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Dave, with a second by Earl, to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026. Four (4) ayes; motion carried.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

There was no public comment.

Terry stated there were three delinquent water customers who have been shut off and two customers on a payment plan.

Mayors Comments:

Mayor T will inquire of Terry Shaffner to fill Justin’s seat for the remainder of the term. Terry ran for this position last election.

The sale of the undeveloped lot at Park Meadows to Ethan and Cara Mendenhall is now complete. Taylor Law will work to finalize the replat of the property.

Thank you to the Oblong Chamber volunteers for the planning and work on Freedom Fest.

Pusey vs. Village of Oblong: no new update

Lots 21, 23, and 24 have been given a one-year extension per conversation between Mayor T and Chris Whitney. Taylor Law will have extension paperwork available to be passed at the August meeting.

Crawford County Fair will be July 18-25. Reminder – you must be 18 years old and hold a valid drivers license to drive a golf cart or SXS on Village streets.

Congressman Mike Bost – FY26 Community Project Funding Grant: HUD has provided two webinars so far. Angela with Greater Wabash is up to date on those.

Safe Routes to School Grant: No new updates to report

GWRPC: No new updates to report

Resa (CCDA) stated she received a call from Tik Tok Energy on Tuesday. The electric bills have been submitted and site visits have been completed. They have put together a list of buildings to be included. The grant manager is reviewing and this will be reviewed at the July County Board meeting.

Reports of Committees:

Police: No report

Building and Park: No report

Sidewalks and Lights: A new sidewalk will possibly be needed at West corner of North Range and Main. The building owner will need to address his issues then we will proceed with pouring a new sidewalk.

Street and Alley: Getting ready for chip and seal for this Fall.

Water and Sewer: No report

Finance: Discussion on the affordable housing committee formation. This was approved.

Treasurer's report: No report

Clerk's report: Casey Coffee Company will be set up on Main in front of The Vault on July 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-11-30.

We are accepting resumes for the Village Clerk position until July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Park Meadows Subdivision: The stakes have been set for the new street lights.

Motion by Byron, with a second by Earl to pay the monthly bills. Four (4) ayes; motion carried.

There were no other items of business.

Motion by Dave, with a second by Byron to adjourn the meeting at 5:17 PM. Four (4) ayes; motion carried.

Respectively Submitted,

Stacey Brock, Village Clerk

