

**Village of Germantown**  
**Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees**  
**December 17, 2024**

The regular monthly Board meeting of the President and Board of Trustees for the Village of Germantown was held on December 17, 2024 at 7:00 pm. Those present included the following: Village President Duane Ripperda, Trustees: Ken Albers, Michael Albers, Ken Brauer, Brad Schroeder and Jerald Schroeder. Village Clerk Dawn Lakenburgs, Public Works Supt. Steve Mullins and Police Officer Chase Harrison, Village Attorney Aaron Epplin and were also present. Roger Rickhoff was absent. Guests included Joyce Lucas and MaryKay Sutton from the Germantown Improvement committee

The minutes of the previous month's meetings were available for review. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trustee Ken Albers, seconded by Trustee Brad Schroeder. Motion carried.

The Germantown Improvement Committee was present to thank the Board for letting them spruce up the Christmas décor. They also wanted the Board to be aware that Kohnen Concrete donated the space and miscellaneous supplies for the project. The Board thanked them for their time and effort. All agreed the décor looks great and extended the life of the fixtures. Thank you to the committee and Kohnen Concrete for all the hard work and commitment to the project.

The GIC discussed some upcoming projects they would like to see. Painting of the street light poles on Munster and then next year adding some extra Christmas décor. They also said they would like to undertake the "welcome to Germantown" project on the north end of Hanover Street. They will be back early 2025 to present a budget and ideas. The Board thanked them again, for their efforts.

Supt. Steve Mullins said he spoke with the curbing contractor and he is scheduled Germantown for January/February.

Attorney Aaron Epplin had a resolution prepared for the property swap between the Village, Mike Zurliene and Ed Wuebbles. Currently the Village sewer plant road is on Zurliene property and this transaction will "clean up" those property lines. Epplin hopes everything will be ready for closing in January. Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-08, *A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE AND CLERK TO ATTEST TO ALL DOCUMENTS TO PURCHASE CERTAIN REAL ESTATE FOR THE VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN, CLINTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.* Trustee Jerald Schroeder seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote showing the following Trustees voting "aye": K. Albers, M. Albers, Brauer, B. Schroeder, J. Schroeder. Trustee Roger Rickhoff was absent.

Supt. Steve Mullins said Jake Endres finished the water operators class and took his test today. Results will be posted in the next few weeks.

Mullins said they have been doing some preliminary field work for the next capital improvement project. This project is a future project and just in the planning stages.

Two zoning map amendment cases were brought before the Zoning Board of Appeals recently and the Village Board must also act on them. Case 2024-01, applicant D&T Builders requesting lot 44 in Old Town Estates be changed from R-1 to R-2. The Zoning Board of Appeals denied the request. Trustee Michael Albers made a motion to adhere to the Zoning Board's decision. The request is denied. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Case 2024-02, applicant D&T Builders requesting lot 42 in Old Town Estates be changed from R-1 to R-2. The Zoning Board of Appeals denied the request. Trustee Brad Schroeder made a motion to adhere to the Zoning Board's decision. The request is denied. Trustee Jerald Schroeder seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Jerald Schroeder made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Trustee Michael Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Jerald Schroeder then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Ken Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.



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