

**Village of Germantown**  
**Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees**  
**June 17, 2025**

The regular monthly Board meeting of the President and Board of Trustees for the Village of Germantown was held on April 15, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Those present included the following: Village President Duane Ripperda, Village Clerk Dawn Lakenburges and Trustees: Ken Brauer, Jarod Lohman, Landon Schroeder and Jerald Schroeder were present. Trustee Ken Albers and Brad Schroeder were absent. Police Chief Dean Darnall, Officer Chase Harrison, Public Works Supt. Steve Mullins and Village Attorney Aaron Epplin were also present. Guests included GIC members Joyce Lucas, Mary Kay Sutton and Janice Wilburn.

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 Brauer, seconded by Trustee Jarod Lohman. Motion carried.

The GIC Committee spoke on the Welcome sign and the design aspects. They presented the board with a design from Lager Monument and pricing options. The Village Board liked their recommendations and once finalized, they will present it to the Board for final approval.

Questions on scheduling of the light pole refurbishing on Munster Street was discussed. Supt. Steve Mullins said he will make a point to get a schedule between the sand blasting and painting this month. The GIC said they would like input on the new lamp design. Supt. Mullins will gather information on the lamps and have ready for the GIC next month.

The GIC also spoke about new banners in town. Joe Santel is working with Recognitions out of Aviston on a design and costs. This was tabled until further information could be attained.

Village President Duane Ripperda said the sidewalk on Sycamore St. near Schoendienst Park turned out great. Supt. Mullins said Bryan Allen will be starting on the sidewalk on Main Street, near Millside, next. Also curbing has begun on the west side of town near and around the Legion.

Trustee Landon Schroeder, chairman of the Street & Sidewalk Committee, will review areas for next year's curbing project.

Police Chief Dean Darnall said the new police radios came in for a cost of approximately \$10,000.

Darnall then asked the Board to think about hiring another full-time officer. Jarod Lohman, Chairman of the Police & Health Committee, said the Committee will meet to discuss.

Oiling dates are August again this year.

Clerk Dawn Lakenburges said she will be updating to LOCIS 8. The same accounting software, just a complete upgrade.

Jarod Lohman, Chairman of the Police & Health Committee said the committee met to go over the current trash/recycle contract and will set up a meeting to discuss with Rhonda Breslin of Republic Services on a new contract. He will report back next month.

Trustee Landon Schroeder, chairman of the Street & Sidewalk Committee, discussed the possibility of creating a Village GIC board. Attorney Aaron Epplin gave the Board different scenarios and suggestions. Epplin will check into a few things and report back next month. This was tabled.

Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-05, *A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN, ILLINOIS AND*

*AMERICAN LEGION POST #325 UTILIZING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FOR PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED AT 1105 SYCAMORE ST.* Trustee Jarod Lohman seconded the motion and the motion carried.

After a brief discussion, Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-06, *A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN, ILLINOIS AND KOHNEN AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING, INC. UTILIZING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FOR PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED AT 1104 SYCAMORE ST.* Trustee Landon Schroeder seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-07, *A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FUNDS FOR THE GERMANTOWN PARK DISTRICT.* Trustee Jerald Schroeder seconded the motion and the motion carried. Funds will be used for construction of the playground.

Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Trustee Landon Schroeder seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Jerald Schroeder then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.