

Village of Herscher Board Meeting July 24, 2026 3:30P.M.

Village President Shannon Sweeney called the resumption of the meeting of July 20, 2026 with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The following Trustees were present: Mike Bruner, Jeremy Bauer, Andy Cotter, and Jacob Wagner. Skip Grigas and Gayle Landeck were absent. Also present, Village Deputy Clerk Vannessa Weaver, Police Chief Kurt Quick, Sean Culver, and Janet Mau.

Jacob Wagner moved to approve the Regular minutes of June 15, 2026. Skip Grigas seconded. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Special Board minutes of June 25, 2026 were tabled until next meeting.

STREETS:

Jacob Wagner made a motion to approve the estimate from Tobey's Construction for the alley and curb work at 335 E Kay. Mike Bruner seconded the motion. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Jeremy Bauer-aye, Skip Grigas-absent, and Gayle Landeck-absent. All in favor; Motion Carried.

FINANCE:

Mike Bruner presented the Accounts Payable Report totaling \$104,688.56 to the Board for payment. Mike Bruner moved to accept the accounts payable as presented. Jeremy Bauer seconded. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Jeremy Bauer-aye, Skip Grigas-absent, and Gayle Landeck-absent. All in favor; Motion Carried.

Payroll presented totaled \$44,477.58. Mike Bruner moved to accept payroll as presented, Jeremy Bauer seconded. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Gayle Landeck-absent, Skip Grigas-absent, and Jeremy Bauer-aye. All in favor; motion carried.

Mike Bruner went over the revenue and expense report for June.

Mike Bruner went over the donations for the Fireworks and Flag poles.

Mike moved to approval of FY 26-27 Budget. Jacob Wagner second. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Gayle Landeck-absent, Skip Grigas-absent, and Jeremy Bauer-aye. All in favor; motion carried.

Mike moved to approval of Appropriation Ordinance 26- 07 for FY 26-27. Andy Cotter second. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Gayle Landeck-absent, Skip Grigas-absent, and Jeremy Bauer-aye. All in favor; motion carried.

PARKS:

Andy Cotter let the Board know that Duane Wright will help to take care of the parks over the next 3 weeks while some other seasonal employees are on vacation.

WATER AND SEWER:

Jeremy Bauer made a motion to approve the Elm Street Surveying from MG2A. Jacob Wagner seconded the motion. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Gayle Landeck-absent, Skip Grigas-absent, and Jeremy Bauer-aye. All in favor; motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Vanessa Weaver spoke about changing the water deposit to either just a one-time fee or no fee at all. The Board discussed changing the fee from \$75 to \$50 and making it a one-time turn on fee that the residents will not get back. Deputy Clerk Vanessa Weaver said she will reach out to Attorney Chris Bohlen about making a new ordinance for this.

ORDINANCE:

Nothing to report.

POLICE:

Chief Kurt Quick let the Board know that the Corn bowl went well and we had no issues. He let the Board know that Deputy Clerk Vanessa Weaver did an excellent job at the Car Show and we had about 40 cars and raised around \$2,000.

Chief Quick asked for approval of Officer Brian Steele going full-time as of August 3 as the SRO. Mike Bruner made a motion to approve Officer Brian Steele. Andy Cotter seconded the motion. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Gayle Landeck-absent, Skip Grigas-absent, and Jeremy Bauer-aye. All in favor; motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Sweeney talked about the lighting for the flagpole at Lion's Park and if we want to do solar for the lights or run electric to the pole. He said he was waiting for a quote back from Fritz.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mike Bruner made a motion to approve \$15,000 Labor Day Donation. Jacob Wagner seconded the motion. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Gayle Landeck-absent, Skip Grigas-absent, and Jeremy Bauer-aye. All in favor; motion carried.

Mike Bruner made a motion to approve a \$5,000 Harbor House Donation. Jacob Wagner seconded the motion. Roll call taken: Jacob Wagner-aye, Mike Bruner-aye, Andy Cotter-aye, Gayle Landeck-absent, Skip Grigas-absent, and Jeremy Bauer-aye. All in favor; motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Vanessa Weaver spoke to the Board about getting a new ID badge machine for the Police Department and using the machine to make ID for Solicitors and charging them a fee to solicit here in Herscher. The Board agreed and Deputy Clerk Vanessa Weaver said she will reach out to Attorney Chris Bohlen about making a new ordinance for this.

Motion to adjourn by Jeremy Bauer. Seconded by Andy Cotter. All in favor. Motion carried.

Vanessa Weaver, Village Clerk