

**Village of Ubly
Council Meeting
June 5, 2025 @ 7:30 p.m.
“Approved Meeting Minutes”**

The Village of Ubly Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 7:34p.m., June 5, 2025, at the Bingham/Village Government Center.

In attendance were President Jason Nicol, Trustees: Jeff Rubin, Brandon Zdrojewski, Sara Schmidt, Tracey Foster, Mitch Holdwick, Treasurer Larry Gornowicz, DPW Supervisor Dave Franzel, and Clerk Barb Butch. Police Chief Anthony Wood and Water Administrator Theresa Murdock were absent. 8 residents also attended.

Agenda: A motion was made by Jeff Rubin seconded by Tracey Foster to accept the agenda with additions. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment on the Agenda: None.

Communications: A resignation letter from Trustee Jeff Maurer.

Clerk’s Report: A motion was made by Sara Schmidt seconded by Mitch Holdwick to approve May 1, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Tracey Foster seconded by Sara Schmidt to pay the May bills. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report: The treasurer’s report was presented and accepted pending audit.

Police Report: Officer Philip Deacons was hired as a part-time officer. Police Chief Wood is addressing blight problems in the village. Officer Rothe will be going through additional SRO training.

Public Works: DPW busy sweeping streets, mowing and spraying. Took down 2 trees for lead line inspections. Set up flower pots on Main Street and hydrants were flushed.

Water Billing: Due to very high water bills there are 2 addresses that were given additional time to pay their bill, now due June 19th.

New Business:

- a. Council discussed some issues that have come up with the basketball and pickleball courts. Pickleball backstop has been taken down and then not put back up correctly after basketball players are done. There was a suggestion to separate the two courts but then the basketball court would need court lines painted. Council felt that the groups are currently working together but will continue to monitor the situation.
- b. A citation was issued for the owner of the three properties on the corner of Main and Queen Streets. The buildings have structural issues that must be addressed.
- c. Work on the Main Street project has been pushed to 2027 because plans must be submitted by August to MDOT and with the work including the railroad crossing there isn’t enough time to get all the paperwork done for 2026. The estimate for the Main Street project is 4.6 to 5.2 million. Plans for this year will be to apply for grant funding.
- d. A motion was made by Jeff Rubin seconded by Sara Schmidt to approve with regret, the resignation of Trustee Jeff Maurer. All in favor, motion carried.
- e. Resident Calvin Messing requested permission to bring a vehicle into his yard to piece out for parts for his vehicle and will have someone take out the scrap. Council agreed to allow him to work on this project for one month.

Public Comment:

Resident Aaron LaPonsie brought to the Council's attention of tall grass in a section by the water tower and requested that someone look at Riverview Street, parts are dropping down from the curb and there are some larger cracks that need to be addressed.

Resident Harry Gerow received a citation from the Police Dept. concerning blight in his yard. He asked Council if they would give him a couple more weeks to finish cleaning it up. Council agreed to allow a couple more weeks for cleanup.

Clerk Barb Butch informed Council that Jim Zulauf is now Treasurer of the 10 Cent Barn and they will be moving some items into the Village shed next to it to clean up the barn and inventory items. It was noticed that there are benches in the shed that if not being used for the walking path could be put around town. Sara Schmidt will talk to the Community Club about using them.

DPW Supervisor Dave Franzel requested jumping up the dumpster by the DPW from 2 yards to one that holds 4 yards. With ball games and Pavilion usage the 2 yard dumpster isn't big enough.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Brandon Zdrojewski seconded by Mitch Holdwick to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Butch, Clerk

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