

Proceedings and Claims Village of Republican City

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees was held August 3, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at the Fire Hall with Ron Einspahr, Tim Moninger, and Tom Pokaluk present. Linda Nickel, Utility Supervisor Keith Whetstine, Brett Rebman, Larry Steele, Jesse Langley Ian Einspahr, Brandon Wright, Paige Waggoner, Bobbie Blessing, and Andy Miller were also present. Posted notices in three public places within the village. Notice of meeting and agenda was given to Trustees in advance. As required by law Chairman Moninger, pointed out a copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for public viewing and called the meeting to order. Proceedings shown were taken while convened meeting was open to the public.

The meeting was brought to order by Moninger at 5:30 P.M.

Motion by Eddy, seconded Einspahr, to approve the minutes from the July 6, 2026 meeting. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Einspahr, seconded by Eddy to pay the following bills:

GENERAL: Intuit payroll tax \$1,970.34; Intuit Subscription \$30.00; Payroll \$4,122.37; Verizon \$79.86; Black Hills \$123.30; Waggoner Ins. \$2,184.00; CHS Agri \$96.90; Twin Valley \$296.64; Swanson Septic \$100.00; Miller & Assoc. \$300.00; NE Public Health \$39.50; MMC Consulting \$415.00; One Call \$8.59; Trustworthy \$55.70; League of NE Municipalities \$1,491.00; S&W Auto \$23.64; Pinpoint \$192.59; Presto X \$97.81; Harlan County Journal \$129.25; City of Franklin \$231.25.

STREET: Twin Valley \$1,355.62.

WATER: USPS \$65.00; Southern Power \$327.00; Black Hills \$51.98; Twin Valley \$178.46; Municipal Supply \$1,618.93.

WASTEWATER: USPS \$65.00; Payroll \$3,684.61; Blue Cross \$394.07.

RECEIPTS: Utility Billing \$13,197.87; Highway Allocation \$3,683.14; License Fees \$100.00; Building permits \$50.00; Insurance \$8,400.12; Lease payment \$5,798.91; TaxETAL\$23,647.58.

Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – All accounts balanced and reconciled.

RCVFD discussed the ambulance and the difficulties of recruiting volunteers for EMT's. Jesse Langley wanted to know where the Village Board was regarding the ambulance, and they stated the FD believe they would need at least four EMT's. Motion by Eddy, seconded by Einspahr to sell the ambulance. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried. Jesse Langley reported that Orleans VFD would like first dibs on the purchase. The Village Board requested Alma EMT's be paged first, the page out for Republican City. Jesse said he would let the sheriff's office know. The FD informed the Village Board that their new fire truck is coming soon.

Motion made by Eddy, seconded by Einspahr to open the 1 & 6 Year Street Hearing. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried.

Larry Steele from Miller & Associates gave a report for 2026 that the Village received \$30,279.99, and for 2027 \$36,910.00. Currently the low to moderate income is 48.1% if we do an income survey and that number increases to 51%, we would be eligible for \$250,000 minus the 10% the Village would need to supply. Larry reminded the Village Board the ARPA funds need to be spent by the end of the year or we must give back the money. He also informed them the project cannot be changed nor the contractor for the project. The Village Board thanked Larry for this report and his time. Motion made by Eddy, seconded by Einspahr to close the 1 & 6 Year Street Hearing. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Kris, seconded by Pokaluk to suspend the rules and waive the reading of Resolution No. 080326-1 in full. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried. Resolution No. 080326-1 was then presented by title and considered by the board.

A motion by Einspahr, seconded by Eddy that the Tri-State Paving quote for paving Truman to Berrigan to 3rd and Circle Dr. for \$28,700 be approved. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried.

September meeting date was set for Monday, September 14, 2026 due to Labor Day falling on the 1st Monday of the month. The Village Board set the Budget Hearing Date for Tuesday, September 15, 2025. Both meetings are at 5:30 p.m. in the Firehall.

Motion by Einspahr, seconded by Eddy to approve the building permit for 214 Atkinson Ave. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried.

Andy Miller gave us information on the Defend Cellular Security Camera. They are now 360° turn with AI recognition, and you can position the camera with your phone. The cost is \$199.99 and you just add a new camera to your current subscription. Motion by Einspahr, second by Eddy that the motion be approved to purchase another camera. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Eddy, seconded by Einspahr that Candi Randall be added to the bank signature card. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried.

We have a variance request and will need to set a special meeting/Board of Adjustments. Linda will check the requirements for the Board of Adjustments. Those currently on that board are Paige Waggner, Linda Lewton, Tana Goosic, Charlotte Post, Ray Jones, and Everett Hunter.

Keith's report- nothing to report.

Tim talked to Rick regarding Linda sitting in as treasurer/clerk. There will have to be a decision made on having two in the office.

Motion by Einspahr, seconded by Pokaluk to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 P.M. Voting Aye: Eddy, Einspahr, Moninger and Pokaluk. There were no votes against the motion. Motion carried.

The next regular scheduled village board meeting will be held **Monday, September 14, 2026** at 5:30 p.m. at the Fire Hall. Meeting is open to the public, and the public is encouraged to attend.

Timothy Moninger, Chairman
Village of Republican City

Candi Randall, Clerk
Village of Republican City