

August 13, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes-

Called to order @5:00 pm

Roll Call-

Mary Michls, Tim McDaniel, David Woods present at 5 pm.

Twilla Davis arrived @ 5:04 pm

Visitor & Public Comment

No public Comment

- Penny Shaw to speak about the progress of the new structures and or existing ones

Penny Shaw spoke on the sidewalks need removed in order to pour the foundation of the new building. On the north side of new construction, the sidewalk needs to come out. During the demolish, the basement collapsed causing more issues for the sidewalks. The side walk on Main Street will need to be ADA complaint. Truck access (loading dock) will need to be established on the west side of new construction. Blueprints were shown to the board, as to where her main concerns were located exactly.

- Discussion and or approval of sidewalk replacement during construction and or new build becoming ADA compliant for current and future

Motion: Mary Michls 2nd: Tim McDaniel

The board discussed her removing the sidewalk to continue with her new construction. The Grande Prairie sidewalk will be removed, along with the removal of 30 feet of the sidewalk on Main Street. With the intent to make it ADA compliant once the build is completed. All voted unanimously. Motion Carried

- Discussion and or approval of the removal of the street/utility poles belonging to the Village/PDA that serve no purpose

Motion: Mary Michls 2nd: Tim McDaniel

A motion was made to TABLE this item. As the poles had nothing to do with the PDA nor did they interfere with the building of the new construction

- Discussion and or approval of parking restrictions during construction and or new build for current and future.
- Discussion and or approval of making repairs needed to the alley behind Mullen's and the Old Framery building

Motion: Mary Michls 2nd: Twilla Davis

A motion was made to give Penny Shaw the ability to close the alley/restrict parking during the construction when she deems it necessary. This is for the safety of the public. The Village board suggested posting something on Social Media to let the public know, this will be an as needed priority during the construction. This also pertains to the next item on the agenda. The alley behind Mullen's and the Old Framery is at her judgement as well.

- Discussion and or approval of updated employee handbook

Motion: Tim McDaniel 2nd: Mary Michls

The board did not find it fair to vote on such an important item, with the low attendance. This was TABLED for next month's meeting.

- Discuss updating the building permit ordinance fee for demolition and new construction

Motion: Tim McDaniel 2nd: Mary Michls

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- Discussion and or approval of reallocating funds for the 250th Celebration

Motion: Twilla Davis 2nd: Mary Michls

The board would like to gather more information on this, before making a decision. This was **TABLED** for next month's meeting.

- Discussion and or approval of appointing Rita Carmouche as Treasurer

Motion: Tim McDaniel 2nd: Mary Michls

Discussion was had about Rita Carmouche was still the current treasurer, because she has not submitted a letter of resignation to the board and the board has not approved that. So the board believes that she is still appointed as the Treasurer. They also want further information to be obtained to make sure we are compliant. A roll call vote was initiated, and all voted unanimously. Motion Carried

Discuss having a community involvement meeting for the 5 year plan for the Village

Motion: Mary Michls 2nd: Tim McDaniel

This was more for discussion only. The board openly discussed that they would like to get some leaders of the Village of Palestine together and discuss what we need as we implement a 5 year plan of action. They discussed forming a Community Improvement/Involvement Committee to actually determine what the priorities of the Village need to address, and which ones are more critical. They would like someone from the School District, Business Owners, and other groups that would be beneficial in putting together this plan. The discussion was to have a meeting in the morning and one in the evening so we could try to increase attendance. A financial road map was suggested to be created, and a meeting with Resa Shaner, CCDA was suggested as a start to get this up and working.

Adjournment:

Motion: Tim McDaniel 2nd: Mary Michls

Time: 5:41pm