

**Village of Tolono Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
April 21, 2026**

The Village of Tolono Board of Trustees (“Board”) met on April 21, 2026 in the Police Station, located at 205 E. Main St., Tolono, IL. Village President Terrence Stuber called the meeting to order at 6:35pm. Roll call found the following trustees present Mark Adair, Craig Goad, Dan Grady, Sean Manuel, Jared Robbins, and Tom Swigart. Also present was Clerk Brandy Dalton, Public Works Superintendent John Myers, Treasurer Heather Manint, and Police Chief Justin Levingston.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. President Stuber gave the invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mike Woodworth was present because his daughter received a nuisance letter for a mattress that was in her backyard for 5 days, according to Woodworth, when we have properties all over town that are worse than hers.

Chris Humer spoke about Rocket Brew as a parent of one of the students. He said the program is showing life skills to those students with developmental needs. They are learning how to make the drinks, as well as communicate and interact with others.

Junior Garduno, owner of Smoke & Shine asked the Board for help with the parking area that is Village property. He was told to get estimates and bring them to the Board.

PRESENTATIONS

Kyle Hayden with the Tolono Fire Protection District discussed the NIMS training that Village Officials need to have, as well as his planning for another table top disaster training. He also said that the Village needs to have a designated Public Information Officer.

Larry Johnson of Fehr Graham Engineering conducted a public meeting for the Village’s Stormwater NPDES permit. He discussed the MS4 permit, the Village’s responsibilities, and how to keep bodies of water safe from runoff with the use of a slideshow.

REPORTS

Community Events – Brian Booher said that the Fun Days Committee meets the first and third Thursdays at 6:30pm and will meet every Thursday beginning in June.

Engineering – Larry Johnson said that the library is still waiting on information from their attorney for the storm drains on their property to help the drainage at the Loose Cobra, but we are still withholding part of the money from the contractor who did the drainage work.

Public Works – Superintendent Myers said that the steel for the top of the burn box is \$5200 and the manufacturer does not make a top for it. They received 2 bids for sidewalk jacking. He would like himself and Matt Howard to attend OSHA training through IMLRMA on May 12. Myers would like to see the Village skip doing an MFT program this year to save for doing a larger shaping project next year.

Police Department – Chief Levingston said that he attended a lunch meeting at the Catholic Church. They have been fairly busy. He attended training last week at Metcad.

Trustee Robbins asked Chief Levingston why there was 25 traffic stops in February and only 12 in March. Levingston said they were probably busy doing other things and not able to spend as much time on traffic.

Office – Clerk Dalton said she is still waiting on the budget from the Police Department then should be able to get the draft out to the Board to look over. Illinois American Water is going to be flushing hydrants the next few weeks, and a lot of people have been complaining of absolutely no water instead of low water pressure. The weather is getting nicer and the nuisance complaints are starting to come in, so Clerk Dalton reminded everyone to mow their lawns, don't leave junk laying around, and take care of their property.

Treasurer – Treasurer Manint went over the March 2026 Treasurer's report.

Retail Strategies – Trustee Robbins said there is nothing to report. The next Core Team call will be May 7.

CONSENT AGENDA

Clerk Dalton read the items to be voted on: A. minutes of the April 7, 2026 regular session board meeting; B. bills/warrants as presented; C. April 10, 2026 payroll; D. budget vs actual report; E. March 2026 bank statements and reconciliations; F. March 2026 Treasurer's Report.

Motion by Robbins, second by Adair to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll call: Adair, aye; Goad, aye; Grady, aye; Manuel, aye; Robbins, aye; Swigart, aye. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

There was a discussion regarding the development of the downtown plaza. Trustee Robbins did research and there is no liability or extra cost associated with having a fire pit, except insuring the actual pit as property. It was discussed to only use a portion of the lot as a plaza and have a business on the other portion. It was decided to keep a 10' portion at the alley for parking.

Trustee Grady discussed the ICC Codes. He is going to start working on an adopting ordinance. He called the Village of Savoy and got the name of who he needs to speak to but has not followed up yet.

Motion by Robbins, second by Goad to sponsor for Rocket Brew in the amount of \$10,000. Roll call: Adair, aye; Goad, aye; Grady, aye; Manuel, aye; Robbins, aye; Swigart, aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Robbins, second by Grady to approve Ordinance 2026-O-11, approving the Madeline Wilson Photography TIF Redevelopment Agreement. Roll call: Adair, aye; Goad, aye; Grady, aye; Manuel, aye; Robbins, aye; Swigart, aye. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board discussed the food truck ordinance and decided to make changes to add that charitable and 501(c)(3) organizations are exempt from paying the food truck vendor fees for normal vending but must work with the Fun Day Committee if they want to operate during Fun Days. The end time during the week will be 10pm all year instead of 9pm.

Motion by Swigart, second by Manuel to approve Ordinance 2026-O-8, amending the Planning and Zoning Board throughout all parts of the Tolono Municipal Code. Roll call: Adair, aye; Goad, aye; Grady, aye; Manuel, aye; Robbins, aye; Swigart, aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Robbins, second by Adair to approve the appointment of Misty Moseley as the Planning & Zoning Board Secretary. Motion passed via voice vote.

The Board discussed the application from the Tolono Fire Protection District to pay off the truck they purchased to allow them to purchase another truck to replace their aging fleet. President Stuber said that the perceived loss for the TFPD over the life of the TIF is \$901,739.66. The Village has already paid out over \$1 million to the TFPD from TIF Funds.

Motion by Goad, second by Robbins to approve the TIF Application for the Tolono Fire Protection District in the amount of \$175,000. Roll call: Adair, aye; Goad, aye; Grady, aye; Robbins, aye; Swigart, nay. Motion passed.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Swigart asked if anything has been done with the nuisance complaint that John Moore turned in. Clerk Dalton checked the nuisance list, and the first letter has been sent.

President Stuber and Trustee Goad visited Woodbine, Iowa. They are a community with a population of 1,600 and the average income of less than our community. Most business owners don't even live in the town. They just want their business to be there. They do everything with grants, volunteers, and donations.

Motion by Swigart, second by Manuel to adjourn the meeting at 10:33pm. Motion passed via voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brandy Dalton, RMC, CMC, MMC
Village Clerk

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