Village of Antioch
Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting
Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL 60002
August 27, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gartner called the August 27, 2025, regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:29 pm at the Antioch Municipal Building located at 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL and via Zoom.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor and Board of Trustees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Macek, Bluthardt, McNeill, Martinez, Pierce and Pedersen. Also present were Mayor Gartner, Attorney Vasselli, and Administrator Guttschow.

IV. Absent Trustees Wishing to Attend Remotely

There were no Trustees wishing to attend remotely

V. Mayoral Report

Mayor Gartner acknowledged that it is Payroll week, and wanted to thank Director Peterson, and his staff for all they do. Mayor Gartner also said that this meeting is possibly the last Village Board meeting taking place at the Main Street office, depending on AV training and implementation at the new location. Mayor Gartner then took a moment to acknowledge staff for all their work in making the move to the new building go smoothly.

Citizens Wising to Address the Board

Resident Joseph Haley from the Woods of Antioch Subdivision wanted to publicly thank the Village Board, past, and current staff for working with the owners and HOA to get the roads re-done in their subdivision. He also stated that Alex with HR Green was very helpful during the process with residents.

VI. Consent Agenda

Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Bluthardt, to approve the following consent agenda items as presented:

1. Approval of the August 13, 2025, Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes as presented

2. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing a Special Event Liquor License for the Village of Antioch for their Fall Wine Walk, waiving all fees – Resolution No. 25-68

Upon roll call, the vote was:
YES: 6: Macek, Bluthardt, McNeill, Martinez, Pierce and Pedersen.
NO: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

VII. Regular Business

3. Consideration and approval of payment of accounts payable as prepared by staff in the amount of $861,593.33 -

Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill to approve payment of accounts payable as prepared by staff in the amount of $861,593.33. Upon roll call, the vote was:
YES: 6: Macek, Bluthardt, McNeill, Martinez, Pierce, and Pedersen.
NO: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

4. Consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing the Village Administrator to execute an agreement for the Village Communications proposal from Vicarious Multimedia in an amount not to exceed $54,000. – Resolution No. 25-69

Trustee Bluthardt moved, seconded by Trustee Pederson to approve Resolution 25-69 approving and authorizing the Village Communications proposal from Vicarious Multimedia in an amount not to exceed $54,000.
Trustee Macek wanted to confirm that by using Vicarious, we are assured that our Branding stays where it should be. Assistant Administrator Moran confirmed that it would.
Upon roll call, the vote was:
YES: 6: Macek, Bluthardt, McNeill, Martinez, Pierce, and Pedersen
NO: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Macek moved, seconded by Trustee Pedersen, to consolidate the following agenda items, waiving the second reading:
5. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance amending Section 10-5-1 of the Antioch Village Code regarding civic uses within the estate district of the Village of Antioch, Illinois – Ordinance No. 25-08-57
6. Consideration and approval of a Resolution approving a Site plan for real property located at 20 North Avenue in the Village of Antioch, Illinois (Antioch Public Works Facility) – Resolution No. 25-70
7. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance Granting Land Use relief for the property located at 20 North Avenue in the Village of Antioch, Illinois (Special Use – Public Works Facility) – Ordinance No. 25-08-58
8. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance granting a variance to allow a chain-link fence at 20 North Avenue, Antioch, Illinois – Ordinance No. 25-08-59
9. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance granting a variance to increase the maximum impervious area coverage at 20 North Avenue, Antioch, Illinois – Ordinance No. 25-08-60
Upon roll call, the vote was:
YES: 6: Macek, Bluthardt, McNeill, Martinez, Pierce and Pedersen.
NO: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Macek moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill, to approve the consolidated items. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Macek, Bluthardt, McNeill, Martinez, Pierce and Pedersen.
NO: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

10. Consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing the Treatment Facility to proceed with the heated instrument enclosures project in the amount of $24,850 – Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill to approve **Resolution No. 25-71** authorizing the Treatment Facility to proceed with the heated instrument enclosures project in the amount of $24,850. Upon roll call, the vote was:
YES: 6: Macek, Bluthardt, McNeill, Martinez, Pierce, and Pedersen.
NO: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

11. Consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing the Treatment Facility to proceed with the North Aeration Grid Diffuser Replacement project in the amount of $33,100 – Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill to approve **Resolution No. 25-72** authorizing the Treatment facility to proceed with the North Aeration Grid Diffuser Replacement project in the amount of $33, 100. Upon roll call the vote was:
YES: 6: Macek, Bluthardt, McNeill, Martinez, Pierce, and Pedersen.
NO: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

12. Consideration and approval of a Resolution Authorizing and approving 28 bid packages and consideration of award of add alternates for construction of a new public works facility at 20 North Avenue – Trustee Bluthardt asked for clarification as to why the alternates were included in the Resolution as one vote. Director Heimbrodt explained that the mezzanine alternate needed to be included at this time because it is a structural element to the building. Trustee Pierce agreed with Trustee Bluthardt that the board should vote on the base bids, and the add alternates separately. Mayor Gartner stated that the Resolution would be voted on as submitted, and if Trustees did not agree with that they could vote no. If the resolution does not pass it could be brought back to the board separately. There was discussion regarding the need for an elevator. It was explained that with the permanent mezzanine, ADA requires an elevator. Both Trustee Bluthardt and Trustee Pierce said they did not agree to this type of mezzanine. Trustee Pierce asked if the Village can financially afford it, and Administrator Guttschow said that after many meetings with Director Peterson, they were confident that there was enough money to afford it. He also added that he feels that we should be looking long term. If we are going to do this, now is the time to do it. The cost of adding the mezzanine later would be substantial.
Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Martinez, to authorize and approve the 28 bid packets and award of add alternates for construction of a new public works facility at 20 North Avenue – **Resolution No. 25-73**. Upon roll call the vote was:
YES: 4: Macek, McNeill, Martinez, and Pedersen.
NO: 2: Bluthardt and Pierce

ABSENT: 0.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

13. Consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing an agreement for construction management services for the construction of the new public works facility for the Village of Antioch, Illinois – Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Pedersen to approve **Resolution No. 25-74** to authorize an agreement for construction management services for the construction of the new public works facility for the Village of Antioch. Upon roll call the vote was:
YES: 5: Macek, Bluthardt, McNeill, Martinez, and Pedersen.
NO: 1: Pierce
ABSENT: 0.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

VIII. Administrator's Report

Administrator Guttschow reported that staff is currently talking to two fiber companies that would like to offer services in Antioch. Director Heimbrodt is currently trying to figure out right-of-way allowances. The Clublands Phase 3 and 4 are moving forward, and staff has been working with the builder – Lennar Homes – on the permit process. Administrator Guttschow, and Assistant Administrator Moran attended the Northwest Lake County Managers lunch, and said it was very informative. Lastly, Administrator Guttschow thanked Staff for all the work they put in during the move.

IX. Village Clerk's Report

Nothing to report.

X. Trustee Report

Trustee Bluthardt wanted to thank Trustees Martinez and Pierce for all their efforts during the summer concerts to raise money for many local non-profit organizations. He thought it was a great idea. Trustee Pierce said that Trustee Bluthardt was just being shy, and that he, as well as all the other Board members, were very involved during the concert fundraising effort this summer and said everyone deserved thanks for their efforts.

XI. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees regular meeting adjourned at 6:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rachel Alcozer, Administrative Assistant