

**VILLAGE OF JOHNSBURG  
JUNE 17, 2025 REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

President Hettermann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Attendees

Trustee Mike Fouke  
Trustee Josh Hagen  
Trustee Scott Letzter  
Trustee Jamie Morris  
Trustee James Sylvanus  
Trustee Keith Von Allmen  
Village Administrator Claudett Sofiakis  
Assistant Village Administrator Vinny Lamontagna  
Chief of Police Jason Greenwald  
Attorney Michael Smoron  
Village Engineer Tim Hartnett (absent)  
Special Projects Coordinator Rick Quinn (absent)

**FROM THE FLOOR** –Cheryl Markunas of 1310 Hayden Drive-attended to thank the Johnsburg police officers that aided in the recent arrest of a person robbing a bank in a neighboring community. Additionally, she thanked the Village for including her road in the road resurfacing program this year.

**OMNIBUS AGENDA** – Trustee Fouke moved to approve the Omnibus Agenda. Trustee Morris seconded the motion. All Trustees voted aye on the roll. Motion carried.

- Move to approve the minutes of June 3, 2025 meeting of the President and Board of Trustees

- **Disbursements**

• General Fund	\$126,664.91
• Waterworks & Sewage Fund	\$ 31,982.07
• Golf Course	<u>\$ 140.22</u>
• Total All Funds	\$158,787.20

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

**NEW BUSINESS – FIRST READ/NO ACTION**

**ORDINANCE 25-26-07 GROCERY TAX** - Trustee Sylvanus reported on the Finance Committee’s recommendation to reinstate the Grocery Tax. He stated that he spoke with a Walmart representative who reported that the store experienced \$22,000,000 in sales for food and perishable items last year and added that the Village also receives tax revenues for those items from other businesses such as Angelos and gas stations. Trustee Sylvanus reported that the Village would experience an estimated loss of \$405,963 in revenues annually if the grocery tax is not reinstated. Trustee Hagen questioned what additional revenues would be experienced. It was explained that no additional revenues would be received, the ordinance, if approved, would just reinstate the grocery tax that is being eliminated beginning January 1, 2026 by the State. It was agreed that making up for the loss in revenues would be difficult and reinstating the tax will keep taxes consistent with current levels.

**ORDINANCE 25-26-08 AMENDING AND RENAMING CHAPTER 41.... OF THE JOHNSBURG MUNICIPAL CODE** - Village Administrator Sofiakis explained that the ordinance merges all of the tax related chapters in the Municipal Code into one chapter and, if approved, would add the grocery tax to Chapter 41 as well.

Both ordinances will be included on the Omnibus Agenda for action at the next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Trustee Fouke moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Sylvanus seconded the motion. All Trustees voted aye on the roll. Motion carried 7:13p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Claudett Sofiakis*  
*Village Administrator*