

VILLAGE OF CATLIN

Commission Form of Municipal Government Adopted 1914 MEMBER ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

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Village of Catlin
County of Vermilion, State of Illinois
September 2, 2025

The Council of the Village of Catlin met in the Village Board room in regular session at 7:00pm with Mayor Justin Bargo presiding. Mayor Justin Bargo called the meeting to order at 7:01pm and instructed Village Clerk to call roll.

Roll Call:

Mayor: Justin Bargo

Commissioners: Fred Rinehart, Wanda Schmit, Ross Wilson and Kevin Kirk

Village Clerk: Autumn Lange

Also Present: Cindy Warns, Dustin Heckerson, Greg Phillips, Dennis Schmit, Jake Magers, Bob Jones, Patty Jones, Becky Miller, Carol Rinehart, Jared Hooks and various others

A motion was made by Fred Rinehart and Seconded by Kevin Kirk to approve the agenda for the meeting, September 2, 2025.

Aye: Wilson, Kirk, Rinehart, Schmit and Bargo

A motion was made by Kevin Kirk and Seconded by Ross Wilson to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on August 19, 2025.

Aye: Wilson, Kirk, Rinehart, Schmit and Bargo

A motion was made by Ross Wilson and Seconded by Fred Rinehart to approve the bills as presented.

Aye: Wilson, Kirk, Rinehart, Schmit and Bargo

Public Expression:

Vicki Romack – She has lived on Songer Cemetery Road for over 20 years and is concerned about the proposed solar farm. She fears that no one is concerned about the people who will be living right next to the proposed project but rather just the financials and how it could help benefit certain entities. The impact on the farmland, uncertainties about the well water and the surrounding wildlife are just a few of her concerns. With the uncertainty of how this will affect home values, she is worried about it decreasing but her taxes staying the same or getting even higher. She has an autistic child with anxiety who functions off structure and with the potential traffic change, this could heavily impact his normalcy. She urges the board to take into consideration her feelings, as well as the surrounding homeowners, when making any decisions.

Jake Magers – After speaking with David Biggerstaff regarding the property maintenance at 304 Bryan St, he felt as if Dave was annoyed by the situation. He mentioned that Dave mentioned something regarding a 2018 rule or ordinance and was wanting some clarification from the board regarding that. The mayor said that was unsure of the 2018 rule or ordinance at that time but would look into it and get back with him with more information. He expressed that he will not “let this go” and will continue to seek updates and information until the matter is resolved.

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Commissioner Rinehart: Commissioner of Accounts and Finance

Motion to approve 4 building permits by Fred Rinehart and Seconded by Wanda Schmit.

112 Mae Drive (Rachel Estrada) – Roof Mounted Solar Panels

117 Short St (Jan LaFoe) – Roof Mounted Solar Panels

301 S. Merrill St (Dawn Shelley) – Replace Existing Fence in the Same Location

204 Taylor St (Heath) – Replace Existing Fence in the Same Location

Aye: Wilson, Kirk, Rinehart, Schmit and Bargo

Budget vs. Actuals was presented to the board members and overall, there are some line items that are over the projected percentage but others are lower so everything seems to be looking fine at this time.

Commissioner Schmit: Commissioner of Public Health and Safety

Commissioner Schmit asked the board members if they had gone out to Butler Branch Park and they confirmed they had. She asked Kevin Kirk if he was able to locate any water or sewer lines in that area, but he had not been able to. Commissioner Schmit asked if any quotes were received for the construction, but Commissioner Wilson stated that might have been pushed back on the priority list due to the work being done on Douglas St.

Commissioner Wilson: Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvement

Commissioner Wilson gave an update on the manhole project. After receiving the second proposal, the project will be under \$25,000 and qualify for MFT Fund usage. JULIE locates will take place this week and the work will start next week. The rest of the manholes will be completed next spring. There is a storm sewer drain on Webster Ct that was potentially hit by Metro when they were installing fiber throughout town, so Public Works is researching that matter at this time. Commissioner Wilson let the board know that he would not be present for the September 16 meeting as he will be out of town. Later in the meeting, Commissioner Wilson was approached by a resident who asked about installing a sign that says "Slow Down" on Mapleleaf and could be a good area for Electronic Speed signs.

Commissioner Kirk: Commissioner of Public Property

Commissioner Kirk said they are doing every other day checks on the flush valve at Douglas St and initially there is rust but then it is becoming clear as it is flushed. The owner is seeing improvements at this time. Public Works will continue to do this until the issue is resolved entirely or until the main is replaced. The engineers, Fehr Graham, are still working on the plan for the project.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant is operating fine currently. Bids have been received for repairs in the Chlorine Room, but Commissioner Kirk is not ready at this time to present them until the cause of the malfunction is determined. The Water & Wastewater Superintendent has been off for a family emergency for the past few days, and he assumes he will be off for a few more days. Later in the meeting, Commissioner Kirk stated that Ameren would be changing all of the lights to LED. Tonya Hill mentioned that Northview is very dark in the evenings and the Mayor said that he would look into adding more light sources in that area if it is determined with the new LED that it is still very dark.

Mayor Bargo:

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Mayor Bargo, Commissioner Rinehart, Planning and Zoning Commission Chair, Jeff Fauver, and the Village Attorney, Dave Wesner, met with Earthrise Energy to discuss their plans as of this time. Earthrise Energy plans to submit their permit application in the fall, aiming for October and have their final design within the next two weeks. They are proposing 300' from all roads and properties, 100' from Catlin-Tilton Rd except where there are houses, trees around the entire project, double rows of trees near all homes, 100' of rows of corn around the perimeter to maintain current aesthetics and they are holding 2-day Community Meetings, 3 sessions of an hour and a half on September 8th and September 9th. The meetings are RSVP only and the Mayor did not have RSVP Information. Tonya Hill asked if any of the board members received a letter regarding the meeting and no one on the board had received one. The Mayor also had contact information for representatives from Earthrise Energy available.

Tad Beddow, Chief of Police:

The lights over the Water Park and the Tennis Court are out so they have been taken out and should be covered over warranty, the only fee would be for installation.

Dave Biggerstaff, Property Manager: Absent

A motion was made by Fred Rinehart and Seconded by Kevin Kirk to adjourn for Executive Session: Under Section 2C (1): Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body:

Aye: Wilson, Kirk, Rinehart, Schmit and Bargo

The Mayor stated that no action was taken during the Executive Session and called the meeting back to order and instructed Village Clerk, Autumn Lange, to call roll.

Mayor: Justin Bargo

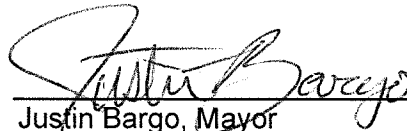
Commissioners: Fred Rinehart, Wanda Schmit, Ross Wilson and Kevin Kirk

Village Clerk: Autumn Lange

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:59pm by Fred Rinehart and Seconded by Ross Wilson.

Aye: Wilson, Kirk, Rinehart, Schmit and Bargo


Autumn Lange, Village Clerk


Justin Bargo, Mayor

General - #246									
8/27/2025	Check	88926	Payroll Cleaning	ADMIN SALARY 08.28.2025				\$1,980.77	
8/27/2025	Check	88926	Payroll Cleaning	ADMIN FICA 08.28.2025				\$144.71	
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8/27/2025	Check	88926	Payroll Cleaning	SRO SALARY 08.28.2025				\$4,274.30	
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8/27/2025	Check	88926	Payroll Cleaning	STREET IMRF 08.28.2025				\$540.39	
8/29/2025	Check	88927	IL Environmental Protection Agency	Village of Calin (106 Douglas St) - Demolition Project Fee				\$160.00	
9/2/2025	Check	88928	Illini FS	Fuel Charges - August 2025				\$2,039.66	
9/2/2025	Check	88928	Illini FS	Fuel Charges - August 2025				\$1,817.96	
9/2/2025	Check	88929	T-Mobile	Account No. ****9141 - Dialpad Charges				\$356.30	
9/2/2025	Check	88930	Ameren Illinois	Account No. ****2011 - Traffic Light				\$46.85	
9/2/2025	Check	88931	Ameren Illinois	Account No. ****2004 - Caution Light				\$64.00	
9/2/2025	Check	88932	Ameren Illinois	Account No. ****6092 - 101 W Vermilion				\$139.36	
9/2/2025	Check	88933	Ameren Illinois	Account No. ****8254 - Maintenance Building				\$71.11	
9/2/2025	Check	88934	Leaf	Invoice No. 19912729 - Copier System & Insurance				\$108.14	
9/2/2025	Check	88935	Ameren Illinois	Account No. ****5041 - Police Garage				\$70.06	
9/2/2025	Check	88936	Cintas	Invoice No. 4241565846 - Maintenance for Village Hall				\$138.00	
9/2/2025	Check	88937	Vermillion Co. ETSB	Invoice No. 2025-7 - MDT Computer Yearly Expenses				\$4,168.65	
9/2/2025	Check	88938	Blackies Heating & Cooling	Invoice No. i11477 - Same Day Service & Replace Condensate Pump				\$441.00	
9/2/2025	Check	88939	DI Fire & Safety Equipment	Invoice No. 418986 - Squad Car Fire Extinguisher Maintenance				\$13.74	
9/2/2025	Check	88940	AT&T Mobility	Account No. ****3310 - Public Works Phone				\$113.38	
9/2/2025	Check	88941	Progressive Chemical & Lighting	Invoice No. 58762 - 20 Gal Grounded				\$1,208.19	
9/2/2025	Check	88942	Progressive Chemical & Lighting	Invoice No. 58752 - 1 Case of Gime Buster				\$180.77	
9/2/2025	Check	88943	Progressive Chemical & Lighting	Invoice No. 58730 - Custom Sign, Brackets, Post Anchor, Sign Post				\$298.54	
9/2/2025	Check	88944	Homefield Energy	Account No. ****0938 - Maintenance Building				\$169.63	
9/2/2025	Check	88945	Homefield Energy	Account No. ****3494 - Park				\$120.56	
9/2/2025	Check	88946	Homefield Energy	Account No. ****3483 - Township Building				\$488.58	
9/2/2025	Check	88947	Ameren Illinois	Account No. ****3132 - Street Lights				\$919.48	
9/2/2025	Check	88948	Crowder CPAs Ltd.	Invoice No. 47974 - Interim Billing for Audit				\$199.00	
9/2/2025	Check	88949	Callin Water	Account No. 030263 - Village Hall Water/WW Bill				\$144.40	

Water - #318						
8/27/2025	Check	13859	Payroll Clearing	WATER SALARY 08.28.2025		\$787.95
8/27/2025	Check	13859	Payroll Clearing	WATER FICA 08.28.2025		\$60.28
8/27/2025	Check	13859	Payroll Clearing	WATER UNEMP 08.28.2025		\$8.27
8/27/2025	Check	13859	Payroll Clearing	WATER IMRF 08.28.2025		\$0.00
9/2/2025	Check	13860	Illini FS	Fuel Charges - August 2025		\$288.21
9/2/2025	Check	13861	Locis	Invoice No. 49849 - Onsite Locis8 Training		\$375.00
9/2/2025	Check	13862	Locis	Invoice No. 49873 - Direct Debit & Email Modules/Membership Increases		\$1,123.00
9/2/2025	Check	13863	Ameren Illinois	Account No. *****6571 - Pumphouse		\$476.78
9/2/2025	Check	13864	Ameren Illinois	Account No. *****8994 - Water Works		\$38.62
9/2/2025	Check	13865	Midwest Meter Inc.	Invoice No. 0180669-IN - Install Kil Thru Lid		\$148.32
9/2/2025	Check	13866	Badger Meter	Invoice No. 80208821 - Meter Services August 2025		\$81.81
9/2/2025	Check	13867	Owens Excavating and Trucking LLC	Invoice No. 15831 - Install 2" Valve with 2" Flush Hydrant		\$5,600.00
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						\$8,988.24

Wastewater - #588									
8/27/2025	Check	6997	Payroll Cleaning	WASTEWATER SALARY 08.28.2025					\$ 3,313.85
8/27/2025	Check	6997	Payroll Cleaning	WASTEWATER FICA 08.28.2025					\$ 253.52
8/27/2025	Check	6997	Payroll Cleaning	WASTEWATER UNEMP 08.28.2025					\$ 2.20
8/27/2025	Check	6997	Payroll Cleaning	WASTEWATER IMRF 08.28.2025					\$ 280.28
8/27/2025	Check	6998	Illini FS	Fuel Charges - August 2025					\$ 288.21
9/2/2025	Check	6998	Locis	Invoice No. 49849 - Onsite Locis8 Training					\$ 375.00
9/2/2025	Check	7000	Locis	Invoice No. 49873 - Direct Debit & Email Modules/Membership Increase					\$ 1,123.00
9/2/2025	Check	7001	Ameren Illinois	Account No. *****9531 - WWTP					\$ 5,584.21
9/2/2025	Check	7002	Hawkins Inc	Invoice No. 7169348 - Supplies for WWTP					\$ 60.00
9/2/2025	Check	7003	Hawkins Inc	Invoice No. 7179556 - Labor & Chlorine Cylinder					\$ 665.00
9/2/2025	Check	7004	Ameren Illinois	Account No. *****8574 - Lift Station					\$ 51.58
9/2/2025	Check	7005	Danville Septic Tank, Co.	Invoice No. 32683 - 2" Steel Adjusting Ring (2)					\$ 587.50
9/2/2025	Check	7006	Anderson Electric, Inc.	Invoice No. 103035 - Hoist Controls					\$ 915.02
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									\$13,499.37