



VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE
Regular Council Meeting
118 N. Center Street
Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 7:00 pm

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: President Ogden called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL:
 - A. Present: Cattell, Morehouse, Howlett, Ogden
 - B. Absent: Good, Fairbotham, Powers-Taylor
3. President Ogden led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, Motion made by Cattell, supported by Howlett, to approve the July 17, 2025, agenda. All in favor, Motion Passed.
5. Approval of Minutes, Motion by Howlett supported by Cattell to approve the June 19, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes as amended, July 8, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes. All in favor, Motion passed.
6. Public comment: None
7. Guests: Chief Bartus Presented his Strategic Plan.
8. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Motion by Howlett supported by Cattell to pay the bills in the amount of \$164,901.65.

Roll Call:
Aye- Cattell, Morehouse, Howlett, Ogden
Nay- None
Absent- Good, Fairbotham, Powers-Taylor
9. Department & Committee Reports:
 - A. Police Department report provided.
 - B. DPW Report provided.
 - C. Zoning Administrator report provided.
 - D. President's Report, none.
 - E. Executive Committee, none.
 - F. Ordinance Committee, none.
 - G. Utilities Committee, provided.



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- H. Planning Commission minutes provided for review.
- I. SDDA, provided for review.
- J. Manager's report provided.

10. Communications: None.

11. Unfinished Business:

- A. Utility Update Provided

12. New Business:

- A. Employee Handbook

Motion made by Cattell, supported by Howlett, to approve the amended employee handbook as presented. All in favor, Motion passed.

- B. Employee Health Insurance

Motion made by Cattell, supported by Howlett, to adopt the BCBS Platinum Plan.

Roll Call:

Aye- Morehouse, Cattell, Howlett, Ogden

Nay- None

Absent- Fairbotham, Powers-Taylor, Good

All in favor, Motion passed.

- C. ACH Policy and Resolution

Motion made by Howlett, supported by Cattell, to adopt the Resolution to approve and accept the ACH and Electronic Fund Transfer Policy.

Roll Call:

Aye- Morehouse, Cattell, Howlett, Ogden

Nay- None

Absent- Fairbotham, Powers-Taylor, Good

All in favor, Motion Passed.

- D. Policies

1) Motion made by Cattell supported by Morehouse to approve the Cash Receipt Retention Policy. All in favor, Motion passed.

2) Motion made by Cattell supported by Howlett to approve the Grant Policy. All in favor, Motion passed.



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- 3) Motion made by Cattell supported by Howlett to approve the Cash Handling Policy. All in favor, Motion passed.
- 4) Motion made by Cattell supported by Howlett to approve the Coin Acceptance Policy. All in favor, Motion passed.
- 5) Motion made by Cattell supported by Howlett to approve the Invoice Payment Policy. All in favor, Motion passed.
- 6) Motion made by Cattell supported by Howlett to approve the Fund Balance Policy. All in favor, Motion passed.
- 7) Motion made by Cattell supported by Howlett to approve the Credit and Debit Card Acceptance Policy. All in favor, Motion passed.
- 8) Motion made by Cattell supported by Howlett to approve the Credit Card Use Policy. All in favor, Motion passed.

E. Cash Flow Analysis & Invoice

Motion made by Ogden, supported by Cattell, to authorize the payment of \$7500 to MVH Consulting, LLC.

Roll Call:

Aye- Morehouse, Cattell, Howlett, Ogden

Nay- None

Absent- Good, Fairbotham, Powers-Taylor

All in favor, Motion passed.

13. Public Comment: None

14. Council Member Comments:

Howlett spoke on past employee experiences and work completed without raises.

Morehouse spoke about saying yes to expenses at meetings and his preference to say no.

Cattell spoke on the length of time the infrastructure has not been maintained, the new state mandates, and the need to be diligent, as the State will take over if not. Additionally, serving the public is their primary purpose.

Ogden- none.

15. Attorney Comments:



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Gormley stated that it wasn't just a kicking of the can; the loaded requirements from the state are also a contributing factor. Water & Sewer issues are a problem everywhere because of the new mandates.

16. Next Meeting:

SDDA Meeting, August 4, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission, August 7, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Utilities Committee, August 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting, August 21, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

17. Adjournment. Motion by Cattell, supported by Howlett, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm. All in favor, Motion Passed.

18. Motion made by Howlett, supported by Cattell, to open the meeting. All in favor, Motion passed.

19. Motion made by Ogden, supported by Cattell, to make Heather Armstrong Interim Clerk. All in favor, Motion passed.

20. Adjournment. Motion by Howlett, supported by Cattell, to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 pm. All in favor, Motion passed.

Signed by:

Heather Armstrong
Village Manager/Interim Clerk