

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2026  
AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Call to Order**

Village President Larry J. Hackethal called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**Roll Call**

Upon roll call, the following Trustees were present:

Jean A. Britt  
Andrew Brumleve  
Patrick Brumleve  
Austin Sellars  
David Stewart

Absent: Dennis Maze

**Also Present:** Chad Eads, Eric Ralls, Lucas Roney, Kendell Boysen, Debbie Stroehlein

**Minutes of December 15, 2025 Regular Meeting**

Motion was made by Stewart, seconded by Britt, to approve the Minutes of the December 15, 2025, regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Sellars, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Maze  
Motion declared carried.

**Recognition of Volunteers**

Village President Larry Hackethal recognized Debbie Stroehlein, Kendell Boysen, David Stewart, Patrick Brumleve and Karen Winzenburger for their efforts to make Christmas in the Village a success.

**Approval of Bills and Salaries**

Motion was made by Sellars, seconded by P. Brumleve, that presented bills in the amount of \$73,972.83 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Sellars, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 1 – Maze  
Motion declared carried.

**Budget Report and Line Item Transfers**

Motion was made by P. Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, to approve the Budget Report and Line Item Transfers as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Sellars, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 1 – Maze  
Motion declared carried.

**2026 IMRF Contribution Rate**

The Village's IMRF Contribution Rate Report indicates the Village's rate for 2026 is 4.66%.

**Sanitary Sewer Project**

Lucas Roney of Horner & Shifrin appeared before the Board to present an update on the Sanitary Sewer Relocation & Lift Station project. Bids received in October of 2025 far exceeded feasibility for the project. After explaining the Village's options, it was the consensus of the Board to re-bid the project with the revised Estimate of Construction Cost.

**Adjournment**

Motion was made by P. Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

  
Karen M. Winzenburger  
Village Clerk