

**Village of Lovington
Special Board Meeting
December 16, 2024
6:00 pm**

Call to order by presiding officer

Pledge of Allegiance

Visitors and Public Comments:

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and Action on the purchasing a Christmas tree for the downtown area

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and action on 2025 Regular Board Meeting schedule

Discussion and action on 2025 Holiday schedule

Adjournment

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Call to order: Acting President Brittany Bates called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Acting President Bates led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call found the following trustees to be present: Todd Hale, Keith Stanberry, April Daily, Andrea Wardrip and Mike Young. Acting President Brittany Bates and Clerk Alma Fair were also present.

Visitors and Public Comments: Steve Fleming, Clayton Clough, Jason Barton, Roger Brust, Dillion Sims, Brandon Giorgi, Dennis Garmon, Tracy Bettinger and Brian Buxton. The following asked to speak:

1. Steve Fleming – The tree in the downtown, he suggested we wait until next year if we are wanting a tree downtown. Since it has been moved to the park, leave it there for this year.
2. Roger Brust – Has lived here for 54 years and has liked to see the tree downtown. He has served on the village board before.

Before new business Daily asked if Bates will be voting as a trustee or as acting president which Daily stated she had to do before we could vote. Bates stated she will vote as acting president if needed.

New Business:

1. **Discussion and Action on purchasing a Christmas tree for the downtown area.**
A Motion was made by Daily to not have a tree this year because it is against the law as well as against our ordinance 33-2-9 **OBSTRUCTING STREET.**
Hearing no 2nd the motion died.

Discussion:

Wardrip stated that she thinks we might need to wait until next year at this point.

Stanberry wondered if we could put the tree on the side of the road in a parking stop by the Post Office where there is electricity there or by the Shawnee building back from the intersection so as not to obstruct the view.

Steve Fleming from the guest ask to speak – We could create an ordinance next year, to put the tree in the downtown intersection so that it wouldn't be illegal.

Stanberry suggested we use the one we have in the park and move it downtown.

A Motion was made by Stanberry and seconded by Hale to move the tree from the park to a parking spot downtown.

Discussion: None

YEA: Hale, Stanberry, Wardrip, Young, Daily

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business:

1. **Discussion and Action on the 2025 Regular Board Meeting Schedule**

A Motion was made by Young and seconded by Stanberry to approve the 2025 Lovington Board Regular Board Meeting Schedule as presented.

Discussion: None

YEA: Stanberry, Daily, Hale, Wardrip, Young

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. **Discussion and Action on the 2025 Holiday Schedule**

A Motion was made by Young and seconded by Hale to approve the 2025 Holiday schedule as presented.

Discussion: None

YEA: Wardrip, Stanberry, Daily, Hale, Young

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment:

A Motion was made by Young to adjourn at 6:29 p.m.

YEA: all agreed

No: None

MOTION CARRIED



Alma Fair Clerk

January 13, 2025
Date Approved