VILLAGE OF BRIMFIELD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
February 2, 2026

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by President Fishel at 7:00 pm. Roll call attendance: A. Porter-present, Meinders-present, Gilles -present, B. Porter-absent, Christy-present, Arbogast-present Clerk Johnson was also present.

The minutes for the January 5, 2026 board meeting were mailed prior to the meeting to the board members and attorney. The minutes were approved for filing with a motion by Meinders and a second by Gilles.

The January 2026 treasurer's report was presented for filing A request was made by the Board to separate the museum income and expenses from the general income and expenses going forward. Gilles made the motion seconded by Arbogast to approve the treasurer's report, motion carried unanimously.

The January 2026 bills were presented for payment. Meinders made a motion seconded by Christy to pay the January 2026 bills. Roll call vote: Arbogast-yes, Christy-yes, Gilles-yes, Meinders-yes, A. Porter-yes. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Old Business- nothing to report

New Business- President Fishel will be out of town on the regular scheduled date for the March 2026 meeting. Gilles made the motion seconded by A. Porter to reschedule the meeting to Monday March 9, 2026. Motion approved 5 to 0.

A draft of the Comprehensive Plan that has been prepared by the Steering Committee in collaboration with the Tri-County Regional Planning commission was sent to the Board for review. President Fishel would like some clarification on the "implementation" page (page 78 1st paragraph) to state that Board will make every effort to follow the plan as time and finances allow. This is a plan and not a commitment. We want to reiterate that this plan is not obligating the Village in any way. The approval of this plan will be tabled until these revisions are complete.

Ordinance 2026-1 was presented for approval. This will give President Fishel and the Village Board of Trustees the authority to approve entering into loan agreements with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for funding for a ground storage tank. Gilles made the motion seconded by Meinders roll call vote: A. Porter-yes, Meinders-yes, Gilles-yes, Chirsty-yes and Arbogast-yes. Motion approved 5 to 0.

The Clerk submitted a proposal for upgrading the current software system to the newest version (Locis 8). Meinders made the motion seconded by Gilles to approve up to $8000 for updates and training. Roll call vote: Arbogast-yes, Christy-yes, A. Porter-yes, Meinders-yes, and Gilles-yes. Motion approved 5 to 0.

The Brimfield Area Planning Commission has been on hiatus during the development of the comprehensive plan. A meeting has been scheduled for March 30, 2026 at 6:00 pm. We need two new members; the goal is to have these vacancies filled by that meeting.

The clerk presented a list of needed compliance hearings. Gilles made the motion Arbogast seconded to approve the compliance hearings and shut offs as needed. Motion carried unanimously.

Seeing no further business President Fishel asked for a motion to adjourn. Arbogast made the motion Christy seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Next meeting will be held Monday March 9, 2026 at 7:00 pm.