Village of Ashmore

Board Meeting

September 22, 2026

The Village of Ashmore Board of Trustees met on September 22, 2026, at the Municipal Building, 10 W. Ashmore Street.

President Kurt Crail called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Pledge was said.

Public Comment

Nancy Meese addressed the Board about noise from TGM and requested assistance from the Village. She said the noise disrupts the peace of her home for approximately four months each year. Mrs. Meese used a five-minute timer for her remarks.

The Board discussed the steps the Village has taken to work with TGM and residents. President Crail stated that the grain elevator had completed an EPA study and that its findings were within the applicable limits.

Engineer Report

Lee Beckman was present and discussed Village grants. He reported that letters of support for the ITEP grant are due October 5, 2026, but requested that they be submitted earlier.

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Unsewered IEPA Grant
The planning for the unsewered grant has been completed and approved by the IEPA. We expect the NOFO for the construction grant to be out in August/September.

IEPA Loan Application - Sewer
All loan materials have been submitted at this time. The project has received $4,879,305 in funding with $2,195,687 in Principal Forgiveness through December 31st, 2026. - funded (h

IDOT 24 Local Project Funding
The village received $400,000 in IDOT local project funding for the previously submitted Safe Routes to School Project. This is in progress. (SRTS) - Local Rela

2025 DCEO Public Infrastructure Grant
The village was awarded $945,000 for watermain replacement. The Grant Agreement has been signed and sent back to DCEO. The Bid Opening is scheduled for November 18th. Construction should start Winter or Spring of 2027. The IEPA Funding of $163,000 for engineering is reserved with $48,900 in Principal Forgiveness, bringing the loan amount to $114,100. (Bidding Nov

OSLAD
The application was submitted in August. Announcements are expected by the end of the year. (En

Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP)
M&G is working on the application. Applications are due October 5th.

Lee Beckman left at 6:06 p.m. Trustee Bryan Watson arrived at 6:07 p.m.

Attendance

Following Nancy Meese's remarks, Clerk Michelle Redd took attendance.

Role	Name
President	Kurt Crail
Trustees	Bill Edwards, T.C. Grissom, Marshal Reinhart, Kyle Sims, Bryan Watson, Alex Hoshauer
Clerk	Michelle Redd
Guest	Nancy Meese

Absent: Treasurer Linda Holloway and Superintendent Jake Johnson. Lee Beckman of the engineering group attended earlier in the meeting and left at 6:06 p.m. Trustee Bryan Watson arrived at 6:07 p.m.

Clerk Report

The minutes of the August 25, 2026, meeting were presented for approval, subject to any needed corrections.

Motion	Second	Roll call vote	Result
Approve the August 25, 2026, meeting minutes, subject to any needed corrections. Moved by Trustee T.C. Grissom.	Trustee Alex Hoshauer	Aye: Bill Edwards, T.C. Grissom, Marshal Reinhart, Kyle Sims, Bryan Watson, and Alex Hoshauer.	Motion carried.

Ordinance Violation Court Update

An update was given on ordinance violation cases. Some property owners appeared in court, while others did not. The cases are scheduled to be heard again in December.

Property Updates

The Board was informed that closing on the burned property is expected during the week of September 25, 2026. The attorney's office reported that work on foreclosure and lien properties remains in progress.

Treasurer Report

The accounts payable list was circulated for signatures.

The Board then considered and voted on approval of the Treasurer's report.

Motion	Second	Roll call vote	Result
Approve the Treasurer's report. Moved by Trustee Bill Edwards.	Trustee Alex Hoshauer	Aye: Bill Edwards, T.C. Grissom, Marshal Reinhart, Kyle Sims, Bryan Watson, and Alex Hoshauer.	Motion carried.

Certificate of Deposit Renewal

A certificate of deposit is due for renewal by October 1, 2026. The Board considered and voted on renewing it for six months at an interest rate of 4.06%.

Motion	Second	Roll call vote	Result
Renew the certificate of deposit for six months at 4.06%. Moved by Trustee Kyle Sims.	Trustee Bill Edwards	Aye: Bill Edwards, T.C. Grissom, Marshal Reinhart, Kyle Sims, Bryan Watson, and Alex Hoshauer.	Motion carried.

Fund Transfers

The Board voted separately on **(TWO)** $10,000 transfers from the Muniwise account. The first transfer was to the General Fund. The second transfer was to the General Fund, with the funds then to be transferred to the Park Fund. This in-turn is $20,000 in transfers.

Motion	Second	Roll call vote	Result
Transfer $10,000 from Muniwise to the General Fund. Moved by Trustee Alex Hoshauer.	Trustee T.C. Grissom	Aye: Bill Edwards, T.C. Grissom, Marshal Reinhart, Kyle Sims, Bryan Watson, and Alex Hoshauer.	Motion carried.
Transfer a second $10,000 from Muniwise to the General Fund, then to the Park Fund. Moved by Trustee T.C. Grissom.	Trustee Alex Hoshauer	Aye: Bill Edwards, T.C. Grissom, Marshal Reinhart, Kyle Sims, Bryan Watson, and Alex Hoshauer.	Motion carried.

Ordinance No 26 0826 Option to Purchase Property

Ordinance No. 26-0826, An Ordinance Authorizing the Exercise of an Option to Purchase Certain Real Property, was considered and placed on file at the August 2026 Board meeting. The property is intended for a future sewer plant. Meeting September 22,2026 Ordinance was voted on.

Motion	Second	Roll call vote	Result
Adopt Ordinance No. 26-0826. Moved by Trustee Bryan Watson.	Trustee Marshal Reinhart	Aye: Bill Edwards, T.C. Grissom, Marshal Reinhart, Kyle Sims, Bryan Watson, and Alex Hoshauer.	Motion carried.

Other Business

Trustee Bryan Watson asked the Board to discuss ways to help residents in need. President Crail discussed options available through Coles County and how the Village office works with others when a need arises. The Board also discussed possible Ameren energy programs that may help eligible residents with home improvements, such as windows and insulation. Clerk Redd noted that she continues to look for grant opportunities.

The Board discussed the need to review water rates before the end of December. A Personnel and Water Committee meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. A representative of Illinois Rural Water Association (IRWA) will review the Village's rate system and help assess a possible rate increase.

Adjournment

Motion	Second	Roll call vote	Result
Adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. Moved by Trustee Bill Edwards.	Trustee Marshal Reinhart	Aye: Bill Edwards, T.C. Grissom, Marshal Reinhart, Kyle Sims, Bryan Watson, and Alex Hoshauer.	Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Redd, Village Clerk