Village of Dieterich
Village Board Minutes
April 6, 2026

The Dieterich Village Board met in regular session on Monday, April 6, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at Dieterich Village Hall located at 103 W. Section Street.

The meeting was called to order by President Brad Hardiek and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The following Trustees were present: Pam Hartke, Fred Bray, Matt Flowers, Berdeena Leturno, Stacy Welter and Carrie Galbraith. With six Trustees and President Brad Hardiek present, a quorum was declared to be present. Also at the meeting were: Village Clerk Brittny Gipson and Village Engineer Lee Beckman.

A motion was made by Trustee C. Galbraith; seconded by Trustee B. Leturno to approve the omnibus agenda: approve minutes of the March 16, 2026 regular meeting, approve the Treasurer's Report, approve Expenditures, and approve Per Diem Pay. Roll call was 6 yes and 0 no.

Engineer Lee Beckman reported that the sanitary sewer relining project had been publicly advertised for bids and the bid opening was postponed until April 16, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at Dieterich Village Hall. Thoele Plumbing has completed the inspections on possible gutter drains and sump pumps connected to the sanitary sewer. Lee reported there were several sump pumps connected to the sanitary sewer that will need to be disconnected. There are funds in the grant to pay for the disconnection from the sanitary sewer and re-routing the sump lines to the storm sewer, nearby ditch, or daylighting them. There will need to be homeowner communication from the Village and with the plumbing contractor that is hired for this work. There will be no costs to the homeowners for this work.

Engineer Lee Beckman reported the new South Main Street sidewalk project would begin construction soon. Ameren will be relocating 3 power poles to accommodate for this project. The new sidewalk will be installed 1' off the right-of-way line to allow for the power poles to be located in this space, keeping the poles on right-of-way. The plan is for the new sidewalk to be installed the week before IDOT will begin the resurfacing of South Main Street.

Lee reported he recently spoke with Jared Carlen of F&C Concrete. It is still too wet for the North Pointe ditch project to commence. As soon as the ditch dries more, they will begin.

Engineer Lee Beckman reported that Congressman Mike Bost's office issued a call for projects for the FY 2027 Community Funding Project Grant cycle. Clerk Gipson wrote a grant application for the addition of 3,500 liner feet of storm sewer pipe in the waterway from Waldhoff Avenue to the Dieterich Creek and the project was chosen for funding. The estimated total cost of the project is $1,200,658.00 and there is a required 20% match, which would be $240,132.00. The requested grant funding was $960,526.00.

The grant request was submitted to the House Appropriations Committee and is now being reviewed. To receive this funding, our project needs to be included in the Appropriations Subcommittee bill text. Funding is not guaranteed until the appropriations bill that our project is under is signed into law. If everything goes as planned, we could expect construction in 2029.

Maintenance Supervisor Mike Campbell was not present for his water/sewer/streets report.

A motion was made by Trustee C. Galbraith; seconded by Trustee S. Welter to approve Resolution 670-2026: Support of Municipal Housing Authority. Roll call was 6 yes and 0 no.

A motion was made by Trustee M. Flowers; seconded by Trustee C. Galbraith to approve hiring Double D Signs for the purchase and installation of the donor wall signage in the lobby at the Wright Family Center for $8,900.00. Roll call was 6 yes and 0 no.

A motion was made by Trustee B. Leturno; seconded by Trustee P. Hartke to approve hiring Effingham Asphalt for the widening and leveling of Church, Maroon, and Railroad Streets with crushed asphalt millings for $33,320.00. Roll call was 6 yes and 0 no.

The Board reviewed and discussed the draft language for fencing and accessory building updates. After discussion it was agreed that these regulations should be presented for a public hearing and take the next steps for formal adoption. The Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Commission will be the body to hold the Public Hearing on these updates. After the public hearing and recommendation from the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Village Board will have the opportunity to formally adopt the new regulations at a later meeting.

During the Comments portion of the meeting, Trustee M. Flowers mentioned the potholes on the north side of Maple Street behind Old Mac's. It was suggested that crushed asphalt millings might repair the holes better than CA6 gravel. Clerk Gipson agreed to pass on the concern and suggestion to the maintenance department.

Trustee F. Bray asked about getting a baby changing station in the men's restroom at the Civic Center. Everyone agreed that the men's restroom should have a baby changing station.

President Hardiek reported there is confusion by delivery services, like FedEx and UPS, when they are delivering packages on North and South Roman Drive. Google Maps does not delineate North and South Roman, it's all just Roman Drive. Clerk Gipson reported that you can request map edits for Google Maps, and that she will take care of the map change requests.

Clerk Gipson reported that she has been in contact with IDNR regarding the Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant for flood home buyouts. The original grant deadline is June 30, 2026. There are still 3 homes that are eligible to take the buyout but have not done so yet. This is a voluntary participation grant, so we cannot force anyone to

participate. IDNR is offering the opportunity to extend this grant period, if we want to. Everyone agreed that if the extension was free to request, we should do so. This will give more time for the families that are uncertain to decide if they want to participate.

President Hardiek reported that he and Trustee M. Flowers completed the annual employee evaluations with Traci Bruns, Clayton Campton, and Mike Campbell. President Hardiek reported that he and Trustee F. Bray completed the annual employee evaluations with Sarah French and Brittny Gipson. President Hardiek handed out a spreadsheet of past and current hourly wages for each employee. He asked the Board to review and come to the next meeting with their suggestions for rates of pay for FY27. The annual appointment ordinance setting employee wages needs to be passed by the first meeting in May.

There was no motion to go into Closed Executive Session.

At 8:03 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee P. Hartke; seconded by Trustee C. Galbraith to adjourn the meeting. Roll call was 6 yes and 0 no.

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Brad Hardiek, President

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(Seal) Brittny Gipson, Clerk