

Minutes of the Village of Forreton Board of Trustees
Village Hall
Tuesday September 2, 2025, 7:00 PM

President Vinnedge calls the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited by all.

On Roll Call by President Vinnedge, Trustee Norris, Trustee Schweertman, Officer Klosa, Maintenance Supervisor Timm, Trustee Buss, Trustee Busker, and Trustee Lapacek. Eight members of the public.

Ken Toms was sworn into the open Village Trustee Seat.

Consent Agenda:

1. The Minutes of the August 18, 2025, meeting are reviewed.
2. Accounts payable are reviewed.

Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the consent agenda with a correction to the minutes to add the vote after closed session for Ken Toms to fill the trustee seat and is 2nd by Trustee Schweertman. All are in favor.

Public Comment – Jenny Sharron stated she lives in the neighborhood where the proposed school bus garage is going. She stated she chose to buy in this location five years ago because it is quiet and in the fire district so she can continue to support the community she grew up in. She stated this bus garage will create more noise and fumes. She stated studies show that projects like this decrease property value. She stated this is not about opposing the school transportation, it is about placing it in a residential area.

Presentations and Petitions – Ordinance 2025-06 – Ordinance Authorizing a Special Use Pursuant to the Petition of Forrestville Valley CUSD #221 – Bus Garage – Motion is made by Trustee Busker to approve Ordinance 2025-06 and is 2nd by Trustee Toms. On Roll Call Trustees Busker, Lapacek, and Toms respond with Yeas. Trustees Buss, Norris, and Schweertman respond with Nay. President Vinnedge responds with Yea.

Building Permits – 503 2nd Ave – Deck Permit - Motion is made by Trustee Schweertman to approve the permit and is 2nd by Trustee Lapacek. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Lapacek, Norris, Toms, Schweertman, and Buss all respond with Yeas.

811 1st Ave – Building Demo Permit – Motion is made by Trustee Schweertman to approve the permit and is 2nd by Trustee Toms. On Roll Call, Trustees Lapacek, Norris, Toms, Schweertman, Buss, and Busker all respond with Yeas.

106 4th Ave – Deck Permit – Motion is made by Trustee Schweertman to approve the permit and is 2nd by Trustee Lapacek. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Toms, Schweertman, Buss, Busker, and Lapacek all respond with Yeas.

Department Reports:

Supt. of Public Works Report – Maintenance Supervisor Timm reviewed his report and activity since last meeting.

Chief of Police Report – Chief Thiel reviewed his report of activity since last meeting.

Clerk's Report – Clerk Shenberger is absent.

Committee Reports:

Streets & Alleys - Trustee Buss – Nothing to report.

Sewer and Water – President Vinnedge – Nothing to report.

Finance - Trustee Busker – Nothing to report.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Zoning, and Planning – Nothing to report.

Ordinances – Ordinance 2025-05 – An Ordinance Implementing a Municipal Grocery Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax for the Village of Forreton – Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the ordinance and is 2nd by Trustee Schweertman. On Roll Call, Trustees Toms, Schweertman, Buss, Busker, Lapacek, and Norris all respond with Yeas.

Trustee Norris stated the minute digitization project is finished. They are going to bring the books back and she will need to pay for them so she will ask Clerk Shenberger to get the check ready. She also stated she spoke with Rob about painted murals, and he does not feel like it is necessary to have an ordinance.

Items Removed from Consent Agenda – None

Village President's Report – President Vinnedge stated he would like to have a meeting next Monday for Committee assignments. They decided on September 8th at 5:00pm.

Unfinished Business – Trustee Buss got a quote from Zettle Brothers to change out the lights in Village Hall to Led. The total is \$1,656.92. The board discussed and would like to get the change made.

New Business – BDD – Norman Meeks – This application will be tabled until next meeting.

BDD – Fields of Green Boutique – Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the BDD and is 2nd by Trustee Schweertman. On Roll Call, Trustees Buss, Busker, Lapacek, Norris, Toms, and Schweertman all respond with Yeas. Discussion and approval of Loan request #7 for PWS Loan 17-5807 in the amount of \$2,710.75 – Motion is made by Trustee Toms to approve the loan request and is 2nd by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Lapacek, Norris, Toms, Schweertman, and Buss all respond with Yeas.

President Vinnedge will entertain a motion for adjournment. Motion is made by Trustee Busker and is 2nd by Trustee Buss. All are in favor. The Meeting is adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Shenberger