

February 24, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at the Village of Hainesville Council Chambers by Mayor Mary Koval at 6:30 p.m.

Village Clerk Christina Reiser took roll call. The following Officials were present: Mayor Mary Koval, Trustees Richmond, George Duberstein, Abramson, Georgeann Duberstein, Kriese and Williams

Also present were: Village Clerk Christina Reiser and Deputy Clerk Ruby Mendez

Establishment of quorum

Agenda Approval:

Trustee Kriese moved, seconded by Trustee Abramson to approve the agenda. **Roll call vote:** Ayes: Trustees Richmond, George Duberstein, Abramson, Georgeann Duberstein, Kriese and Williams -6 Motion carried.

Public comments:

There were no public comments

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the January 27, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of the January 2026 Financial Statements
3. Approval of the February 24, 2026 Bills Payable for \$179,256.39

Trustee Kriese moved, seconded by Trustee George Duberstein to approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees Richmond, George Duberstein, Abramson, Georgeann Duberstein, Kriese and Williams -6 Motion carried.

Reports and Communications from Mayor and other Officers:

Finance

All items under Business

Great Age Club

Trustee Georgeann Duberstein reminded everyone that the Great Age Club meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month and is open to seniors from Hainesville and its surrounding villages.

Community Events

Trustee George Duberstein stated that planning for the October Civil War Event is ongoing.

SWALCO

Trustee George Duberstein shared that the Compost Event and Recycle and Shredding Event have been scheduled and details will be in the newsletter and website.

Clerk

Clerk Reiser shared that the new permitting process with Safebuilt is functioning and now available to the residents. Clerk Reiser and Deputy Clerk Mendez have full access to the system and are monitoring the progress. Clerk Reiser also informed the Board of the results of the survey for residential input for food trucks. After some of the responses were asking for no changes to be made as well as some individuals emailing Trustees directly asking to keep the Food Trucks weekly as we have in the past, Trustee Abramson has decided he will take over the Food Trucks and keep them weekly on Thursdays. He will have some help from some community volunteers as well. Trustee Abramson shared that they will in fact remain on Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. from May to September.

Mayor

The Mayor's report is in the packet.

Food Truck Permit Ordinance – Discussion Only There was a discussion on whether we want to move forward with an ordinance outlining the requirements from food truck vendors within the Village of Hainesville, including but not limited to a Hainesville fee based permit being required. The consensus was to move forward with drafting the ordinance. The ordinance will be ready for the next board meeting.

Business

An Ordinance Authorizing and Providing for a Business Loan Agreement for the Purpose of Financing Certain Projects and Improvements for the Village of Hainesville, Lake County Illinois, and Authorizing and Providing for the Issue of a \$750,000.00 Promissory Note, of said Village Evidencing the Rights to Payment Under Such Agreement, Prescribing the Details of the Agreement and Note, and Providing for the means of Payments Under the Agreement and the Note. Trustee Abramson moved, seconded by Trustee George Duberstein **Roll call vote:** Ayes: Trustees Richmond, George Duberstein, Abramson, Georgeann Duberstein, Kriese and Williams -6 Motion carried. ORD#26-2-387

The Regular Board Meeting recessed at 6:49 p.m. to enter into Executive Session. Trustee George Duberstein moved, seconded by Trustee Abramson to go into Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel 2(C)1 **Roll call vote:** All in Favor; motion carried

Trustee George Duberstein moved, seconded by Trustee Kriese to enter back into the Regular Board Meeting at 7:10p.m. **Roll call:** Trustees Richmond, George Duberstein, Abramson, Georgeann Duberstein, Kriese and Williams -6 Motion carried.

Trustee Georgeann Duberstein moved, seconded by Trustee Abramson to adjourn the February 24, 2026 Regular Board Meeting All in favor; motion carried.

The February 24, 2026 Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Reiser - Village Clerk

Mayor's Report February 19, 2026

- Metronet T-Fiber highspeed fiber optic home internet construction communications letters have been mailed to Hainesville residents detailing upcoming construction starting throughout town. Additional high visibility postcards will be mailed prior to construction. A yard dart will be placed on each lawn along the current construction routes. All communications will have a QR code to an online construction hub for questions and information. Our website will also contain this link to the construction hub. Please note, if you have an invisible dog fence or sprinkler system in your yard you should contact Metronet to inform them of these locations. Each crew will have a supervisor onsite during the construction phases for any additional questions or concerns. Preliminary work has begun along Hainesville Road.
- Robinson Engineering has informed us that they will no longer be supporting water and wastewater operations. The Village has been given 30 days' notice effective February 20, 2026. We have contacted three other water and wastewater operation specialists asking for proposals. We will decide within the next weeks which company best fits our needs. Both of our current Robinson water operators will be available during the transition.
- With the switch to LCOMM for our public safety call center, our tornado and emergency warning sirens did not transition. We have joined an intergovernmental agreement with Round Lake and Round Lake Park for this communication. This system connects to the National Weather Services for Emergency Weather Events. We also now have the capability to manually set off the system for monthly testing on the first Tuesday of the month and any emergency weather events that arise quickly. Public Works Superintendent Israel Mancilla, Assistant Supervisor Tony Torres and I attended an onsite training at the Round Lake Police department. We are fully functional and prepared for emergency thunderstorms and tornado warning events.
- Well construction updates. During the next month we should see the ComEd pad layout, and underground electrical moving forward. Watermain connections and well work should be moving along, and we hope to pour the main concrete pad and ComEd pad with warmer weather and frost layer diminishing. We are still looking forward to the delivery of the well house in mid-April.
- An update from Avon Township regarding the ball fields. The following information has been posted on our website and Facebook pages and a CTY call has gone out to residents. Do not call the fire department if you see smoke or fire on these dates. Please note that dates may vary due to weather conditions:

Our teams have been making great progress cleaning up the old storage and concession buildings at the Avon Ball Fields. As part of this process, firefighter candidates from CLC will be conducting scheduled burns to gain real-world experience using these structures.

The burns are scheduled for the following dates and times:

- **Thursday, February 12:** 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- **Tuesday, February 17:** 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- **Thursday, February 19:** 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- **Tuesday, February 24:** 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- **Thursday, February 26:** 7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully,

Mayor Mary Koval

February 18, 2026

To: Mayor Koval and Board of Trustees

From: Israel Mancilla, Public Works Superintendent

Items the Public Works Department is Working on or have completed Since the last meeting.

- Snow Operations- February had a few small snowstorms, we are still not done with winter.
 - well house 1&3 – we have been prepping the water pipes -sanding them down to remove the surface rust and wiping them clean before painting. (Still ongoing)
 - Garbage picking – Rt 120 and Hainesville Rd. have been hot spots for people dumping their garbage and were extremely bad these last few weeks.
 - Well house 4 update- crews have been busy these last few days setting up the Com-Ed transformer pad along with setting the conduit from the pole to the transformer and pressure testing the water lines from the water main to the hydrant. If all goes well, the building should be delivered by the first week of April.
 - Metro Net has officially started working in town running conduit for T-Mobile fiber and are expected to continue more work in the neighborhoods.
 - ILM has been out doing brush clearing along Hainesville rd. near the Cranberry Lake Woodchip path.
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- *Weekly duties: Dog stations, village cleanliness, picking up garbage around town, water shut offs, upkeep of the office, shop and vehicles, checking storm drains and inlets/outlets.*
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