

**Village of Rockdale  
Board Meeting Minutes  
July 19, 2021**

1. **Call Meeting to Order.** Village Board President Nelles called the regular meeting of the Rockdale Village Board to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Robert M. Smithback Community Center.
2. **Attendance Roll Call.**  
Village Board Members Present: Julie Nelles, Alicia Hynes, Cynthia Meyers and Sarah Halvorson, Jeri Boden  
Village Board Members Absent: None  
Others Present: Kate McGinnity (Dane County Supervisor), Terri Van Den Einde, Ann Gerlich,
3. **Announce Meeting/Reminder for Attendees to Sign In.** President Nelles announced the meeting.
4. **Acknowledgement of Meeting Notice/Posting.** Clerk-Treasurer Gerlich confirmed the meeting had been properly posted.
5. **President's Welcome/Announcements.**
  - a. Property Tax Bill – Second Installment due July 31, 2021.
6. **Preview of Agenda.** No Changes
7. **Public Comment – Two Minute Limit Per Person.**  
Dane County Board Supervisor, Kate McGinnity, stated she would like to partner with the Village of Rockdale, regarding future Broadband Grants that will be coming in the near future, to improve the quality of broadband within the Village of Rockdale. Kate McGinnity will be in communication with Gerlich and Gerlich will relay information to the Village Board on the progress of Broadband Grant applications.
8. **Discussion and possible approval of Village Board draft minutes of June 21, 2021.**  
**Motion** was made by Hynes, second by Meyer to approve the draft minutes of June 21, 2021. Motion carried 5-0.  
**Discussion and possible approval of Special Village Board draft minutes of July 8, 2021.**  
**Motion** was made by Boden, second by Halvorson to approve the draft minutes of July 8, 2021. Motion carried 5-0.
9. **Old Business.**
  - a. **Discussion and possible approval of estimate for removal of trees at 148 E Adams Street & 317 Benton Street. Tree trimming for 148 E. Adams Street and 123 E. Adams Street.**  
**Motion** was made by Halvorson to retain Kiszán's Tree Service, Inc., to trim tree on 317 Benton Street and to assess the tree's condition, as to the

viability and safety of the tree. If it is determined the tree is a hazard and a liability to the Village of Rockdale, the tree will be completely removed. The motion also included the removal and trimming of trees at 148 E. Adams Street and trimming of 123 E. Adams Street, totaling \$4,625.00. Of which, \$1500.00 budgeted from the General Fund will be used and \$3125.00 from the Beautification Fund will be used. Hynes second the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**b. Discussion and possible action of installing deadbolt and door closer to north door of community center.**

**Motion** was made by Hynes, no further action would be needed to the north door of the community center. Nelles second the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**c. Discussion and possible action of removal of plywood and railroad ties at the community burning pile.**

Gerlich reported the hazardous material had been removed and no further action was required. Halvorson and Boden are working on new signage for the community burning and compost pile, to specify what is and what is not allowed at the site.

**d. Discussion and possible action of possible village ordinance(s) regarding solar panels.**

Gerlich will research other village ordinances, regarding solar panels and will consult with Attorney Mary Behling.

**e. Discussion and possible action of video hearing with Madison UI Hearing Office, regarding Gary Hartog.**

Nelles reported the Judgement from the Madison UI Hearing, regarding Gary Hartog, ruled in favor of the Village of Rockdale. No monies have or will be distributed to Gary Hartog. The case has been resolved and closed.

**f. Discussion and possible action of Village wall map by CARPC.**

Gerlich reported CARPC will be providing 12 copies of the Comprehensive Master Plan at no cost to the Village and will provide a wall map, at a cost of approximately \$20.00.

**10. New Business.**

**a. Discussion and possible action of creating a sole checking account for ARPA funds.**

**Motion** was made by Hynes, second by Halvorson to create a sole checking account for ARPA funds at the Hometown Bank in Cambridge. Motion carried 5-0.

**b. Discussion and possible action of the creation of Village Ordinances for Class B Retail License and Operator's Licenses.**

Gerlich will research other village ordinances, regarding Class "B" Liquor and Class "B" Beer Retail Licenses, as well as, Operator's Licenses, costs

and penalties, for the Village of Rockdale. Gerlich will consult with Attorney Mary Behling.

11. **Public Comment-** Two Minute Limit Per Person – None.
12. **Correspondence-**
  - a. **General Engineering – June Report.**  
No permits were issued in June. Placed on file.
13. **Discussion and possible approval of Treasurer’s Reports/Approval of Bills.**  
**Motion** made by Meyers, second by Boden, to approve the Treasurer’s Report and checks #6899 - #6913 and EFT in the amount of \$11,043.17. Motion carried 5-0.
14. **Discussion and possible approval of General Village Bank Reconciliations.**  
**Motion** by Boden, second by Hynes, to approve the Bank Reconciliations for June 2021. Motion carried 5-0.
15. **Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Clerk Report/Approval of Bills.**  
**Motion** by Hynes, second by Halvorson to approve checks #6049 - #6052 in the amount of \$822.92. Motion carried 5-0.
16. **Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Bank Reconciliations.**  
**Motion** by Meyers, second by Nelles to approve the Bank Reconciliations for June 2021. Motion carried 5-0.
17. **Any Other Business.**
  - a. Upcoming Fire Commission Meeting on July 22, 2021.
18. **Adjournment. Motion** by Meyers, second by Halvorson, to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ann E. Gerlich  
Clerk-Treasurer