Ashley Village Council Meeting Minutes July 10, 2025

The regular council meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Robert Studt.

Roll call was taken with, Robert Studt, Mike Turner, Dave Foote, Katelyn Emmendorfer, David Kimball via zoom, Terry Beck, Michelle Fitzpatrick-Clerk/Treasurer, Chris Lambert Deputy Clerk, Paul Beck-DPW Supervisor. Absent: Doug Schneider,

Visitors: Sherri Beck, Ann Paksi

Resident Paksi presented with concernse that the mosquito spray doesn't seem to be working concerned that maybe the sprayer is going to fast. She also discussed concerns for the Presidents compensation.

After review and discussion <u>T. Beck</u> Made a motion to approve the agenda with amendments adding Mowing for the ditch bank for July 10th, 2025. Supported by <u>M. Turner.</u> Motion carried.

After review and discussion, <u>M. Turner</u> Made a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes of June 12th, 2025 as presented. Supported by <u>T. Beck</u> Motion carried.

After review and discussion, <u>M. Turner.</u> Made a motion to approve the check register for June 13th 2025 – July 10th, 2025. Supported **T. Beck.** Motion carried.

Paula Pettigrew reviewed and discussed updates with Country Christmas.

President Studt reviewed and discussed updates from the Planning Commission meeting.

- Planning Commission recommends having a purchase price ready and available for any interested properties for sale by the village.
 - o After review and discussion the topic was tabled for further discussion.

President Studt reviewed and discussed updates from the Work Session meeting.

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President Studt reviewed and discussed updates from the Wage Committee meeting.

Trustee Beck reviewed and discussed updates from the Ashley Area Fire Authority at this time.

Old Business:

The Village Employee Handbook was reviewed and discussed. After review and discussion the topic was tabled for further discussion

The Village Office Hours were reviewed and discussed. After review and discussion the topic was tabled for further discussion.

New Business:

Clerk/Treasurer presented with the need for a new server for the village.

After review and discussion **D. Foote** motioned to approve up to \$10,000 for the purchase of a new server and updates to the system server. Supported by **M. Turner.** Motion Carried.

Trustee turner presented with a request to pay for the ditch mowing done by D. Osborn.

After review and discussion council agreed compensate D. Osborn \$200 for mowing the ditch up to M57.

President Studt brought up the opportunity to purchase Porta Potty units from Rent Rite.

After review and discussion <u>M. Turner</u> motioned to purchase Porta Potty units up to \$1,000. Supported by <u>T. Beck</u>. Motion Carried.

President Studt discussion on next steps for the Blight issues within the village limits as followed.

- M. Turner will check the properties in default of the Blight Ordinance and make a list.
- President Studt will speak with Gratiot County Sherriff to see how we can enforce the blight issues.

<u>T. Beck</u> motioned to adjourn regular council r <u>Emmendorfer</u> . Motion Carried.	meeting at 8:35pm. Supported by <u>Katelyn</u>
Robert Studt, Village President	Michelle Fitzpatrick, Village Clerk