

Village of Homer
Regular Meeting of Trustees
July 14, 2025
7:00pm

Those present: Trustees: Larry Oneal, Skip James, Ray Ryerson, Tammy Boen, John Dodd, and Dalton Bailey, Mayor/Board President, Roger Faulkner, Clerk, Sharon Jeffers, Treasurer Cindy Pruitt and Brody Cole, Maintenance/Water Ryan Byerley, Sewer Tom Parrish, Ordinance/Zoning Charles Montgomery, and Dennis Cummins Farnsworth.

Cindy Pruitt's letter of resignation as Treasurer was read and Mike Johnson's letter of resignation as Trustee was read.

New Trustees: John Dodd motioned to appoint Larry O'Neal as Trustee to fill empty position, seconded by Tammy Boen, roll call vote: Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, abstain, Tammy Boen, yes, and John Dodd, yes, motion approved. Larry O'Neal was sworn in by the Clerk.

Tammy Boen motioned to appoint Dalton Bailey as Trustee to fill Mike Johnson's empty spot, seconded by Larry O'Neal, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, abstain, Tammy Boen, yes, and John Dodd, yes, motion approved. Dalton Bailey was sworn in by the Clerk.

Treasurer: Ray Ryerson motioned to appoint Brody Cole as Treasurer with an annual salary of \$14,000.00, seconded by John Dodd, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Bank resolution: Tammy Boen motioned to remove Cindy Pruitt's name and add Brody Cole to all Prospect Bank accounts, seconded by John Dodd, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Treasurer Training: Ray Ryerson motioned to continue to pay Cindy Pruitt her current salary as she trains and consults the new Treasurer, seconded by Dalton Bailey, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Board Comments: Tammy Boen welcomed all the new Trustees and Treasurer, She asked about a second dumpster day and if we were going to spray for mosquitos. We will not be spraying for mosquitos, and we can discuss a second dumpster day.

Audit FY24: Larry O'Neal motioned to approve the FY24 audit as presented, seconded by Dalton Bailey, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Minutes: Ray Ryerson motioned to approve all minutes as presented, seconded by Tammy Boen, all in favor, motion approved.

Village bills: Skip James motioned to pay all Village bills as presented, seconded by John Dodd, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes; Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Reports: Ray Ryerson motioned to approve all reports as given, seconded by Tammy Boen, all in favor, motion approved.

- Water has been working tower cleaning, and two water main breaks. The RO pilot is off during this process.
- CD has been renewed for 3 more months
- Sewer will start removing lagoon cover that was damaged from the storm next week.

- Ordinance officer is compiling a list of vendors to mow and clean nuisance properties when necessary and approved. Each list will consist of three insured companies that will be rotated.
- Recreation reported that the festival went well and a community picnic is planned for August 16th

Sewer pump repair: Ray Ryerson motioned to repair pumps at lagoon while the cover is off not to exceed \$8,000.00, seconded by Tammy Boen, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Downtown Sidewalk: Ray Ryerson motioned to accept bid from Schomburg and Schomburg in the amount of \$322,443.01 to replace the 100 block of S Main St west side sidewalk, seconded by Tammy Boen, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, recuse, motion approved.

Farnsworth sidewalk contract: Larry O'Neal motioned to approve contract with Farnsworth for engineering services during the Main St sidewalk project, seconded by Dalton Bailey, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Grocery Tax: Dalton Bailey motioned to not continue the 1% grocery tax when the state's expires the first of the year, seconded by Larry O'Neal, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

New Committee appointments: Tamm Boen motioned to approve new committee appointments, seconded by Skip James, all in favor, motion approved.

FY26 Appropriations: Ray Ryerson motioned to pass the FY26 Appropriation Ordinance, seconded by Dalton Bailey, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Return to work: Dalton Bailey motioned to approve the return to work policy as presented, seconded by John Dodd, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Cemetery Tool: Larry O'Neal motioned to approve purchase of Cemetery tool to reset headstones not to exceed \$550.00, seconded by Tammy Boen, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Sewer plant rock: Larry O'Neal motioned to purchase remaining rock to finish out the lane to burn pile at sewer plant not to exceed \$5,000.00, seconded by Tammy Boen, roll call vote: Larry O'Neal, yes, Skip James, yes, Ray Ryerson, yes, Tammy Boen, yes, John Dodd, yes, and Dalton Bailey, yes, motion approved.

Personnel Committee: July 28th 7pm the Personnel Committee will give the Ordinance Officer Charles Montgomery his three month evaluation.

Adjourn: Skip James motioned to adjourn, seconded by Tammy Boen, all in favor, motion approved. Adjourn 7:48pm

Posted: Sharon Jeffers, Village Clerk

Homer Recreation Board
July 28, 2025
7:00 pm

Those present: Board members, Sharon Jeffers, Casey Phillips, Perry Dable, Angel Dable, Elizabeth Jewel, and guest Tammy Boen.

The festival financials and sponsorships were reviewed and thank you's were written.

The kids' activities need some adjustments, Bingo and dance party needs to be combined; an hour of bingo was too long for the kids. Need to have volunteers to keep the tight schedule for the kids. Need to purchase bingo cards for kids bingo.

We would like to make the event three days in 2026 in celebration of the County's 250 birthday. An evening band and performer on July 2nd, three bands on July 3rd and have the fourth start later in the day due to lack of involvement earlier in the day.

Need to start promoting the event now and encourage volunteers to help a few hours. Incentivize with t-shirts, food, and parking for their help.

Bingo is starting back up. No alcohol at Charlies now so we will come up with pop up activities during the night to keep it lively.

Community picnic is set and ready to go.

Next meeting will be set in soon.

Adjourn

Village of Homer
Ordinance Committee
July 29, 2025
6:00pm

Those present: Mayor Roger Faulkner, committee members: Tammy Boen, Skip James, and Ray Ryerson, and Clerk Sharon Jeffers

Chapters 1-9 amended were distributed to take home and review

Chapter 11 will be reviewed by Clerk Sharon Jeffers and she will correct with current policies

We have sent in Library's information to revise chapter 20

Chapter 21 Liquor to remain

Remove tree board from chapter 4

Chapter 24-2-1 we have no police, needs to be removed

Handicap parking leave as is

No truck Weight signs

No snow route signs

Not requiring citizens/businesses to scoop snow

We currently have weight limits for parking in residential

Need to create an investment policy

Allow modular not manufactured

Next meeting to be held Monday, August 4th.

Adjourned

Village of Homer
Ordinance Committee Meeting
August 4, 2025
7:00pm

Those present: Ordinance committee members, Skip James, Ray Ryerson, Tammy Boen, Mayor Roger Faulkner, Clerk Sharon Jeffers, and Ordinance Officer Charles Montgomery.

Clarified a few items in the old zoning code.

Will be asking the new Planning commission what they think about removing building regulations and fees from the zoning code and putting them into the Village code before Charles continues amending.

Would like for Planning Commission to meet during the week of Aug 18-22 to discuss the changes the committee would like to see change.

Chater 11 employees was reviewed. Following changes for full board approval:

Definitions, the addition of salary and part time salary

11-3-2 and 11-4-4 Change probation period to 3 months

11-6-1 Adjust accordingly for salary employees, not definite hours

11-6-4 Leave Holiday pay of 1.5 times (not currently doing)

11-7-1 Current vacations and personnel days are as follows:

First year- one week

Second year- two weeks

Continue up to 4 weeks

Also included 5 personal days a week.

New code also states 5 days can be carried over which we currently do not do.

11-7-2 Remove Juneteenth, Presidential elections, and employee birthday from
Holiday schedule

11-7-4 Currently one sick day per month, will change to proposed code of 7 per year

11-8-1 A.Remove life insurance

B.Remove

11-8-3 Remove

11-8-4 Remove

11-9-6 Remove

11-9-11 Remove

11-9-13 Remove

Began reviewing chapter 27 realizing that it is regarding policing issues. Charles will be sending it to Attorney Marc Miller to confirm before moving forward. The feel as this can be completely removed but keep curfew and noise code.

Next meeting to review chapters 27 if necessary, 29 and 40 will be Tuesday, August 12th at 7pm.

Next meeting will be held August 25th at 7pm to review the remaining chapters (30's)

Tammy motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ray Ryerson, all in favor, motion approved.
8:23pm

Posted: Sharon Jeffers, Village Clerk

Village of Homer
Plan Commission
Zoning Board of Appeals
Combined meeting
August 5, 2025
6:30pm

Those present: Mayor Roger Faulkner, Clerk Sharon Jeffers, Plan Commission and Zoning board of appeals members: Jim White, Gentry Hawkins, Michael Collins, Corey Sands, and arriving late Jim Lacey.

These committees can and will be combined. This will be required to be discussed at a public hearing and then final approval by Village Board.

Gentry Hawkins nominated Jim White as Chairperson, all in favor.

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The responsibilities of the Planning Commission were discussed.

The responsibilities of the Zoning Board of Appeals were discussed.

Procedures of meetings and zoning public hearings were discussed.

The Committees were asked if they would be fine with removing portions of the Zoning code and placing in the Village code for easier enforcement. The consensus of the board was yes. Once the code has been reviewed and amended it will be presented to the committee for them to review.

Contact for the committee and emails will be posted on the Village website.

Discussions for the near future meetings will be to review the code proposed for removal, and then the new proposed zoning code.

RFP's for Village properties was explained.

Other discussions for the board, reclassifying the zoning map to add two more classifications.

Possible regulations for tiny homes.

Downtown development and Village farm land development.

Next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 19 at 6:30pm. The proposed codes will be reviewed, and items that will need to be on the Zoning public hearing to be held prior to the September 8th regular Village meeting. Items that need to be on the Public Hearing agenda are as follows: Combining the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals, rezoning of 312 W Crittenden to industrial for the Village water treatment plant, removing specific codes from the Zoning code and adding to the Village code, and approval of the new proposed Zoning code.

Meeting adjourn 6:30pm

Posted: Village Clerk Sharon Jeffers