

**VILLAGE OF BIRON REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES – June 8th, 2026**

The June 8th, 2026 Regular Village Board meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Clerk Samantha Daugherty, in the absence of President Evenson, at the Biron Municipal Center.

ROLL CALL: Mark Honkomp, Mike Guillemot, Jamie Biegel, Tim McKellips, Dan Sullivan, Tammy Steward via phone, Jon Evenson excused. Also present, Samantha Daugherty, Peggy Doughty, Fire Chief Shawn Dillingham and DPW Kayal Lumaye. The Village Board must select a member to preside over the meeting when the president is absent per Village Ordinance 2.3.2. Motion Biegel second Guillemot to nominate Mark Honkomp to preside over the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was properly posted according to the Wisconsin State Statutes.

APPROVE MINUTES MAY 11TH, 2026 REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Motion Honkomp Second Sullivan to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: 4 members of the public was present. Scott Peterson spoke asking for a refund for the black dirt he had to purchase to complete the repair of his lawn after the Huffman Road reconstruction. He stated he has been waiting for communication from the Village or Larry Koopman about when this would be done but didn't hear from anyone so decided to do the work himself. He presented receipts. Board agreed the Village will issue a refund and asked staff to take care of this during regular hours. No other public comment.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Chairperson Sullivan reporting. The committee met on June 2nd and reviewed bills paid in May, non-lapsing accounts and journal entries for Utility and General accounts. Village General Checking paid bills using checks 27266-27309 and Utility Checking on checks 5492-5508. The Committee reviewed all account transfers, timecards, journal entries and receipts for all checking, savings, and non-lapsing accounts. The committee discussed non-lapsing accounts and benefits and differences of the savings accounts. Discussion about payment to Great Lakes TV Seal using non-lapsing funds. Motion Beigel second McKellips to use \$2112.95 from Storm/Sanitary non-lapsing. Motion carried. Motion McKellips second Biegel to approve the Finance Committee report. Motion carried.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT: Clerk/Treasurer Samantha Daugherty reporting. Totals reported to the Finance Committee: Receipts for May: \$212,429.71: Expenses for May: \$161,896.38. Two account transfers from non-lapsing savings to general checking for a total of \$45,158.50. One account transfer from general checking to passbook savings for \$100,000.00. General checking bills were paid on checks 27266-24309 with twenty online payments to WWL&C, IRS, Empower, WRS, Kwik Trip, WI DOR, Elan Financial, WM, Bauernfeind, We Energies, Gannett, Thryv, AirGas USA, and Central States Funds and one cashier's check from Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank for payment to Bergstrom of Neenah for the new public works truck. End of month balances; Village Non-Lapsing: \$763,719.22; Utilities Checking: \$23,116.66; Water Money Market: \$653,944.54; Village Passbook: \$917,818.87; Village Checking \$17,886.91; Utility bills were paid with checks 5492-5508 with one online payment to Elan Financial with expenses totaling \$97,097.38. Daugherty reported that WE Energies is extending services along N Biron Drive to customers along the CTH U project area to Huffman Road and all customers have agreed to connect, and therefore there is no upfront cost to the Village to add services as previously expected, the village did pay for a permit. The auditors have completed our 2025 audit and submission of Form C to the Department of Revenue. The election literature stand that was discussed at committee level is not available so will

not be purchasing that. Motion Sullivan second Biegel to approve the Clerk/Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

BIRON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Dillingham reporting. There were 10 calls, 8 EMS, 1 False alarm and 1 carbon monoxide. 22 current members. D. Auld has completed EMR training and is completing paperwork for licensing. We are halfway done with inspections for the year. Motion Biegel second Guillemot to approve Volunteer Fire Department report. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairperson Honkomp reporting. Personnel committee did not meet in May.

LEGISLATIVE, ORDINANCE AND ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairperson McKellips reporting. Committee met May 18th. Committee reviewed all liquor license applications and recommends them all for board approval. Motion Sullivan second Guillemot, Biegel recuse to approve the Class "A" beer and "Class A" (cider only) for Kwik Trip, Inc dba Kwik Trip Store 331, Steven Wiskerchen Agent. Motion carried. Motion Sullivan second Guillemot Biegel recuse to approve the Class "A" beer and "Class A" liquor license for Dolgencorp, LLC dba Dollar General Store 23115, Jason Stankowski Agent, Motion carried. Motion Honkomp second Sullivan, Biegel recuse, to approve the Reserve "Class B" liquor license and Class "B" beer license for Threeroots, LLC dba Anchor Bay Bar and Grill, Drew Hamel Agent. Motion carried. Motion Honkomp second McKellips, Biegel recuse to approve the "Class B" liquor license and Class "B" beer license for Somewhere Else of Rapids, dba Somewhere Else Robert Larson Agent, Motion carried. Motion Guillemot second Steward Biegel recuse, to approve the "Class B" liquor license and Class "B" beer license for Rooted in Red, Rochelle Hoffman Agent, Motion carried. Motion Sullivan second Honkomp, Biegel recuse, to approve the Cigarette, Tobacco, Electronic Vaping products retail license for Kwik Trip Inc, dba Kwik Trip Store 331, Steve Wiskerchen Agent, Motion carried. Motion Honkomp second Sullivan, Biegel recuse, to approve the Cigarette, Tobacco, Electronic Vaping retail license for Dolgencorp dba Dollar General Store 23115, Jason Stankowski Agent, Motion carried. The board reviewed the list of operator applications received. Clerk Daugherty stated there were 2 new applicants but had held license from other municipalities. Motion Honkomp second Sullivan, Biegel recuse to approve the operator license for the following: Drew Hamel, Austin LeCloux, Crystal Weight, Debbie Hall, Katrina Applebee, Noelle Tetzlaff, Trisha Anderle for Anchor Bay; Jason Stankowski, Wyatt Tietz, Shawna Steder, Heather Suzanne Johnson for Dollar General; Steve Wiskerchen, Alex Shefchik, Gina Caldwell, Drew Hamilton, Jeremy Papineau, Keenan Pflager, Leanne Haasl, Mattea Pierce, Sherri Draxler, Tanner Sorenson, Zachariah Becker for Kwik Trip; Rochelle Hoffman, Jamie Biegel, Sophie Hasenohrl, Amy Kniprath for Rooted in Red; Robert Larson, Thomas Eilers, Jodi Van Stedum, Cheyanne Luther, Layla Tracy, Leanda Schneider for Somewhere Else. Motion carried. McKellips discussed a letter to be sent out that was originally approved in April. He will work with staff to update the date of the letter and send out. There was some discussion about ebikes on the trails and will take back to committee for continued discussion. Motion Honkomp second Guillemot to approve the Legislative, Ordinance and Zoning Committee report. Motion carried.

PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS: There is no meeting in May.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairperson Steward reporting. The committee met on June 2nd. Superintendent Lumaye discussed the results from televising that was done on the storm sewer on Shore Acres. Next steps are to clear the root balls that were seen and then televise the remaining sections of pipe. Lumaye presented the CMAR report and resolution 26-07. The only

new section of this report from last year is the sanitary sewer overflow. Motion Honkomp second McKellips to approve resolution 26-07 approving the compliance maintenance annual report. Motion carried. Kayla discussed partnering with Zblewski Brothers to clear the brush pile from storm clean up. They will grind and haul away the pile. Kayla also discussed that Wood County Highway plans to repair the culvert on 80th Street during the week of July 13th. Motion Guillemot second Biegel to approve the Public Works committee report. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PROPERTY, SAFETY & RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairperson Guillemot reporting. The committee met June 2nd. Discussed Chief Dillingham's request to add helicopter landing zone makers in the Municipal Center parking lot. Committee had more questions and will discuss at next committee meeting. Kayla discussed the need to update our security system at the municipal center to automatically send emergency call out notifications. Will need to setup a additional phone line through Solarus and bring costs to next meeting. Dock installation updates. Clerk Doughty reporting a section of cluster 3 needs to be widened to accommodate a slip owners new boat and lift. Working with Diamond Travers Landscaping, contracted vendor, to make these adjustments. Peggy reporting they have been great to work with during this first year installation. Generator will be installed at the municipal center during the week of June 15th. Guillemot met with Sprinter to review quote for IT managed services. This is something the staff is looking at for the 2027 budget year. McKellips mentioned needing the committee minutes amended due to incorrect trustees listed. Motion Guillemot second Honkomp to approve the Public Property Committee report. Motion carried.

WATER UTILITY COMMITTEE REPORT: Chair Biegel reporting. The committee met on June 2nd. Updates from PSC study are the PSC has questioned why some customers were charged a water lateral connection tariff. They state this was charged incorrectly and the customers are due a refund. Peggy has been gathering the data and issuing the refunds. For our upcoming Safe Drinking Water Loan the DNR requires a noninterest bearing checking account be created to receive loan disbursements via wire transfer. Motion Honkomp second McKellips to approve the creation of a noninterest bearing checking account through Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank to receive disbursements from Safe Drinking Water Loan. Motion carried. Superintendent Lumaye reporting Jordon passed his water test. Lumaye also reports our preliminary rate increase for water is around 76.43%. That has not been finalized as of this meeting as there has to be a public hearing with the PSC before the rate takes effect. Motion Biegel second Guillemot to approve the Water committee report. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER COMMISSION REPORT: Note: *The Wastewater Treatment Plant is operated & staffed by the City of Wisconsin Rapids. One member of the Village of Biron Board of Trustees is an acting member of the Commission.* Reviewed minutes from the April 8th meeting. Minutes from the May 13th meeting were not available. Lumaye stated there were no updates on the rate case study. Guillemot attended the May 13th meeting and presented there were no other updates to include. Motion Honkomp second Sullivan to add the minutes to our record. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion on eBikes on the recreational trail and park bathrooms.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: no report

ADJOURN: Motion Guillemot second Biegel to adjourn at 7:15pm Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Samantha Daugherty, Clerk

Approved by Biron Board of Trustees

Signed: _____
Jon T. Evenson, President

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