

VILLAGE OF CEDAR GROVE ~ Village Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 12, 2026 6:00pm

At Village of Cedar Grove Library, Community Room
131 Van Altena Ave, Cedar Grove WI 53013

Village Board Members Present: Mike DeHaai, Ken Hoopman, Peggy Houghlum, Benji Meerdink, Tom Getschman, Dave Reichle, Kevin Lorge (6:05pm)

Also Present: Dale Meeusen, Mike Wolfe, Kyle Voskuil, Dan Staley, Jeff Garside, Terry DeHaai, Tom Bruggink, Nick VandeHey – via Zoom

Call to Order Village President, Mike DeHaai called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

Verification of Meeting Posting Julie confirmed the agenda was posted on the Village website, at the Cedar Grove Public Library, the Cedar Grove Post Office and the Village Office.

Review/Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Ken Hoopman made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the December 8, 2025 Village Board meeting, seconded by Peggy Houghlum. Roll call vote YES 5 NO 0

Public Input

Dale Meeusen was present regarding the South Main Street project. He stated he was opposed to the plans and asked for revisions to the project regarding the street and the elimination of parking spaces.

Review/Approval of Claims

Ken Hoopman made a motion to approve and pay all claims as presented, seconded by Peggy Houghlum. Roll call vote YES 6 NO 0

Committee Reports

- Fire, Law & Safety
 1. Air Paks – Follow up – The Village and the Town of Holland agreed to donate the used Air Paks in exchange for training for the Fire Dept. personnel.
- Street, Sewer & Water
 1. Main Street Project – Nick VandeHey of McMahon & Assoc. reviewed the railroad and how it will affect the Main Street project. Nick stated that the Wisconsin DOT owns the signals; the railroad owns the railroad tracks; the State owns the Right of Way; and the Village owns the road. Nick explained if the Village wanted to install cantilevers, the the cost would be approximately \$500,000-\$600,000.
 2. Loan Resolutions: Water and Sewer – Loan Resolutions for Water and Sewer were reviewed. No questions or concerns. Mike and Julie signed each Resolution. Julie will forward the Resolutions to the USDA representative.

Ken Hoopman made a motion to approve the Water and Sewer Resolutions for the USDA, seconded by Peggy Houghlum. Roll call vote YES 6 NO 0

Resolution No. 1 of 2026 – Use of Streets and Alleys was reviewed. No questions or concerns. Mike and Julie signed Resolution No. 1 of 2026 – Use of Streets and Alleys for the USDA. Julie will forward the Resolution to the USDA representative.

3. Safe Step Sidewalk Program – Kyle provided information on the Safe Step Sidewalk Program. This strategic and proactive program identifies sidewalk defects in the Village and Safe Step repairs them until the established budget is reached. Kyle will contact the representative to attend the February Village Board meeting.

- Public Works Manager

1. Flowerpots – Light Poles – Main Street – With the project beginning this year, it was discussed to contact Willman Industries about not having the flowerpots along Main Street due to the difficulty of watering and the possibility of damage to the planters and flowers.

- Public Buildings

1. Signage for Village Office – Kyle contacted Laser Traditions Engraving for quotes for signage outside the Village Office. A sign with laminated lettering was quoted at \$285.00; and a sign with raised, metal lettering was quoted at \$500.00.

Dave Reichle made a motion to approve the metal sign for the Village Office, seconded by Benji Meerdink. Roll call vote YES 6 NO 0

- Finance – Nothing to report.

- Park & Recreation

1. Jeff Garside – Disc Golf – South 2nd Street – Jeff was present to inform the Board CG at Play will cover the cost for the baskets for the disc golf. Jeff also reported there would be nine (9) baskets in the area by the retention ponds for the course. Jeff will keep the Board up to date on the upcoming plans.

- Amsterdam Park – Nothing to report.

- Museum – Ken reported on his meeting with the Museum representatives. The signage for Amsterdam Park was reviewed and the members would like to begin a fundraising effort for the restoration of the gazebo in Memorial Park. The Village Board members were in support.

- Library Board – The new furniture has been delivered.

- Personnel

1. Update Resolution 2025-3 – Christmas Bonus – The Village Board recommended changing the Christmas Bonus to \$250.00 for full time employees.

Ken Hoopman made a motion to approve the change to the Resolution 2025-3 to include \$250.00 for the Christmas Bonus for full time employees, seconded by Kevin Lorge. Roll call vote YES 6 NO 0

- Planning Commission – Meeting to be scheduled.

- Clerk – Julie reported there would not be an election held in February. The next election is scheduled for April 7.

Meetings: Ken – 1, Peggy - 1, Benjie – 2, Tom – 0, Mike – 1, Kevin – 0, Dave – 0

- Legal – Nothing to report.
- President – Nothing to report.

Tom Getschman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Benji Meerdink. Roll call vote YES 6 NO 0 Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted by: Julie Brey ~ Village Clerk/Treasurer

****Please note: some topics for discussion / action were not presented in the same order as presented on the agenda.**