

VILLAGE OF CEDAR GROVE ~ Village Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 14, 2025 6:00pm

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

Meeting agenda was posted: Village website, Cedar Grove Post Office, Cedar Grove Public Library and Village Office

Village Board Members Present: Mike DeHaai, Peggy Houglum, Benjie Meerdink, Tom Getschman, Dave Reichle, Ken Hoopman – via Zoom

Also Present: Stacy Carlson, Jan Hoitink, Stacy Yankunas – Johnson Bus Co., Kyle Voskuil, Josh Posthuma, Tom Bruggink, JJ Winnemuller

Absent: Kevin Lorge

Call to Order Village President, Mike DeHaai called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

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

Review/Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Peggy Houglum made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the March 10 Village Board meeting, seconded by Benjie Meerdink. Roll call vote YES 5 NO 0

Julie Brey presented Village President Mike DeHaai with the Oath of Office for a 2-year term as Village President.

Mike DeHaai presented Ken Hoopman, Benjie Meerdink and Dave Reichle with the Oath of Office for a 2-year term each as Village Trustee.

Public Input

No one present for Public Input.

Review/Approval of Claims

Benjie Meerdink made a motion to approve and pay all claims as presented, seconded by Peggy Houglum. Roll call vote YES 5 NO 0

Committee Reports

- Fire, Law & Safety
 1. Stacey Carlson – Invisible Fences – Stacey presented information about invisible fences for dogs. She handed out a document named: “Invisible Fence Dangers and Solutions for Urban-like Communities”. The document was reviewed by the Board. The Board will discuss this further at a Fire, Law and Safety Committee meeting, scheduled for April 23, 2025.
 2. Stacy Yankunas – Johnson Bus Company – Bus Lights – Stacy presented information regarding the need for an Ordinance to use red warning lights in residential areas when picking up and dropping off students. Julie will work with the Sheriff’s Dept. to obtain information for a new Ordinance. This item will be reviewed at the upcoming Fire, Law and Safety Committee meeting, scheduled for April 23, 2025.

3. JJ Winnemuller – Fire Truck – JJ was present to discuss the possibility of the Village and Town of Holland donating Engine #91 to their non-profit organization that assists residents and fire departments down south. This item will also be reviewed at the Fire, Law and Safety Committee meeting, as Town of Holland's decision is also needed. Fire, Law and Safety Committee meeting scheduled for April 23, 2025.
- Street, Sewer & Water
 1. Josh Posthuma – Fox Den Development – Josh owns two parcels off Main Street that he is considering developing 3-4 parcels onto instead of his original plan of 13 lots. The lots would be accessed by a private driveway and run approximately 250 feet back. The parcels would expand north to south. Utilities were discussed as was fire protection. It was suggested for Josh to forward a rough sketch to Nick VandeHey of McMahon & Associates. It was also suggested for a fire hydrant to be placed in this area.
 2. Main Street Update – It was decided to schedule a Street, Sewer and Water meeting and include Nick VandeHey to review the Main Street project. Street, Sewer and Water meeting scheduled for April 30, 2025 at the Cedar Grove Public Library at 6:00pm.
 - Public Works Manager
 1. Red Dump Truck – Instead of selling the red dump truck, Jan requested to keep it to use for water main breaks and brine. The Village Board agreed to keep the truck.
 - Public Buildings – Nothing to report.
 - Finance – Nothing to report.
 - Park & Recreation – Nothing to report
 - Amsterdam Park – Next meeting scheduled for April 23, 2025.
 - Museum – Nothing to report.
 - Library Board – Nothing to report.
 - Personnel – Nothing to report.
 - Planning Commission – Nothing to report.
 - Clerk – Nothing to report.
- Meetings: Ken – 0, Peggy - 0, Benjie - 1, Tom – 0, Mike – 0, Kevin – 0, Dave - 0
- Legal – Nothing to report.
 - President – Nothing to report.
 - Benjie Meerdink made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tom Getschman. Roll call vote YES 5 NO 0. Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.

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.**