

VILLAGE OF CEDAR GROVE ~ Village Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 10, 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 Houghlum, Benjie Meerdink, Tom Getschman, Dave Reichle, Ken Hoopman – via Zoom

Also Present: Jan Hoitink, Kyle Voskuil, Tom Bruggink, Sheriff Matthew Spence, Dr. John Cook, Corey and Cassandra Salmon – Salmon Garden Center

Absent: Kevin Lorge

Village President, Mike DeHaai called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Review of Minutes

Peggy Houghlum made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the February 10 Village Board meeting and the February 25 Planning Commission meeting, seconded by Ken Hoopman. Roll call vote YES 5 NO 0

Public Input

No one present for Public Input.

Review the Claims

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

Committee Reports

- Fire, Law & Safety
 1. Sheriff Matthew Spence – Sheriff Spence was present to discuss any concerns the Village Board has. It was decided to suspend the winter parking rules for the remainder of the season. Sheriff Spence will relay the message to the officers on duty in the Village.
- Street, Sewer & Water
 1. Certified Survey Map (CSM) – Review & Approve – Dr. John Cook presented his CSM separating out a small lot within his property on Hwy. 32. The Developer's Agreement will not be affected by this change. The trustees reviewed the CSM. No questions or concerns.

Tom Getschman made a motion to approve the Certified Survey Map presented by Dr. John Cook to separate out a small lot within his property on Hwy. 32, seconded by Benjie Meerdink. Roll call vote YES 5 NO 0
- Public Works Manager – Nothing to report.
- Public Buildings – Nothing to report.
- Finance – Nothing to report.

- Park & Recreation
 1. Pickle Ball Court Usage – Independence Park – Ken reported that the court in Oostburg is currently under construction. He requested to share the court at Independence Park with the Oostburg pickle ball players until August. Two additional times may be added and will not exceed three to four nights per week. No questions or concerns.
- Amsterdam Park – Nothing to report.
- Museum – Ken provided an update from the Museum meeting.
- Library Board – Nothing to report.
- Personnel – Nothing to report.
- Planning Commission
 1. James Gerend – Conditional Use Permit (CUP) – James requested a CUP from the Planning Commission to establish a plant nursery business at his property at 330 E Union Avenue. After review, the Planning Commission denied the request based on the following from Chapter 10 Home Occupations: D. Materials used in or produced by a home occupation may not be stored or displayed outside or be displayed so as to be visible from outside the premises. E. The volume of vehicular or pedestrian traffic or parking shall not result in excess of what is compatible with a residential neighborhood and H. No substantial stock in trade shall be displayed, warehoused or sold on the premises – “Substantial shall be defined as more than \$1,000 in value”. After review, the Village Board agreed with the Planning Commission’s decision to deny the request based on the standards in Chapter 10 – Home Occupations in the Code Book.
 2. Eric Meinnert – Variance – Eric requested a Variance to build a 3-car garage on his property located at 416 S Main Street. Eric spoke with Tom Huenink, Building Inspector and the garage will be built 3 feet off the lot line. At this time, Eric does not have the exact size of the garage, but he is planning on approximately 26x40 (720 sq. feet is the allowed size). The size of the current garage is 26x35. Eric agreed to put downspouts underground to the catch basin so the nearby properties are not negatively affected.

Ken Hoopman made a motion to approve the Variance for Eric Meinnert to build a 26x40 (or smaller) garage at 416 S Main Street, replacing the current garage, per the drawings he provided, seconded by Benjie Meerdink. Roll call vote YES 5 NO 0

- Clerk – Nothing to report.
- Meetings: Ken – 2, Peggy - 1, Benjie - 1, Tom – 1, Mike – 3, Kevin – 0, Dave - 1
- Legal – Nothing to report.
 - President – Nothing to report.
 - Peggy Houglum made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tom Getschman. Roll call vote YES 5 NO 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:43pm.

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.