

Village of Kohler
Village Board
December 16, 2024

Village President Thomas Schnettler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken: Tom Schnettler, Mike Zimmermann, John Ewert, Michael Wandschneider, Brett Edgerle and Tracy Lyons were present. Kelly Kasten was absent. Village Attorney Mike Bauer was present. Staff members present: Mike Kitzerow, Shawn Splivalo, Cindi Gamb and Laurie Lindow.

Items of Concern Regarding the Agenda, Including Public Comment – None

Approve Meeting Minutes from November 18, 2024 - Motion by Michael Wandschneider, second by Mike Zimmermann to approve the meeting minutes from November 18, 2024. Motion carried.

Business

- 1) Proclamation for Donna Sander's 100th Birthday – Donna Sanders celebrated her 100th birthday on December 5 and could not be in attendance tonight. A Proclamation was read for the record to honor Donna in recognition of her 100th birthday. A motion was made by Tom Schnettler, second by Brett Edgerle to approve the proclamation for Donna Sander's 100th Birthday. Motion carried.
- 2) Discuss and possibly take action on lowering the speed limit on Woodland Road to 25 mph from Greenfield Drive to County Trunk O – Attorney Bauer and Chief Splivalo have additional information regarding lowering the speed limit on Woodland Road. State Statute doesn't support lowering the speed limit in a statutorily defined outlying district where only one side of the road is developed. This provides for consistency in a like environment from one community to another community. An exemption from the statute would require an engineering study or crash data supporting the need for reduction in speed. A speed study was done on Woodland Road both to the north and south of Highway 23. Mike Zimmermann stated that some community members who reside on Woodland Road couldn't attend tonight due to school concerts but asked him to speak to the issue. Shawn offered to share the additional information with Mike Zimmermann for his review. Brett Edgerle thought Woodland Road would qualify for an exemption due to the unique situation of having an adjacent walkway. Brett asked how much an engineering study would cost. Tracy Lyons asked about adding a stop sign on Woodland Road north of 23 but this is not feasible. The speed limit change on Greenfield to 25 mph may have been permitted due to it being a connecting road and containing a school zone. Tom Schnettler asked if a compromise could be reached where instead of changing the speed limit, signs would be posted like Mueller Road advising drivers that the speed limit is strictly enforced. Mike Kitzerow will get the cost for an engineering study.

- 3) The Finance Committee recommends the Village Board taken action on the following:
- a) November Revenue & Expense reports, bank reconciliation and journal entries - Motion by John Ewert, second by Michael Wandschneider to approve the November Revenue & Expense reports, bank reconciliation and journal entries. Motion carried.
 - b) Resolution No. 2024-6, A Resolution Amending the 2024 General Fund, Water and Sewer Utility and Capital Outlay Budgets – Motion by John Ewert, second by Michael Wandschneider to approve Resolution No. 2024-6, A Resolution Amending the 2024 General Fund, Water and Sewer Utility and Capital Outlay Budgets. A roll call vote was taken: Mike Zimmermann – aye, John Ewert – aye, Michael Wandschneider – aye, Brett Edgerle – aye, Tracy Lyons – aye, Tom Schnettler – aye. Motion carried.
 - c) Resolution No. 2024-7, An Official Statement of Intent for Issuing Debt for 2025 Capital Outlay Purchases – Motion by John Ewert, second by Michael Wandschneider to approve Resolution No. 2024-7, An Official Statement of Intent for Issuing Debt for 2025 Capital Outlay Purchases. A roll call vote was taken: John Ewert – aye, Michael Wandschneider – aye, Brett Edgerle – aye, Tracy Lyons – aye, Tom Schnettler – aye, Mike Zimmermann – aye. Motion carried.
- 4) The Property Committee recommends the Village Board take action on the following:
- a) Approve ordering truck from Ewald Automotive Group and equipment from Monroe Truck Equipment, total cost \$130,079 to be delivered in 2025 – Motion by Mike Zimmermann, second by Michael Wandschneider to approve ordering truck from Ewald Automotive Group for \$130,079 with delivery in 2025. Motion carried.
 - b) Purchase of trailer – The trailer used to move equipment broke down. Motion by Mike Zimmermann, second by Michael Wandschneider to approve purchase of trailer from Mersberger for \$13,749 funded with savings realized from truck above. Motion carried.
- 5) Update on the Kohler Pool Renovation Project – A punch list is being worked on to complete the pool project. Outside water pyramids are not being utilized and approval is being sought to replace with other water features. Funding of approximately \$38,268 remains. A metal ladder will be replaced with a plastic ladder to avoid damage to the pool deck. New outside water features will cost less than \$25,000 and existing bases can be utilized. The vendor of the water pyramids will assist in trying to sell the equipment. Motion by Michael Wandschneider, second by Brett Edgerle to approve purchase of new outdoor water features in an amount not to exceed \$25,000. Motion carried, but not unanimously.

- 6) The Village Board may go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercise responsibility to discuss employee wages and benefits – Motion by Tom Schnettler, second by Michael Wandschneider to go into closed session. A roll call vote was taken: Michael Wandschneider – aye, Brett Edgerle – aye, Tracy Lyons – aye, Tom Schnettler – aye, Mike Zimmermann – aye, John Ewert – aye. Motion carried. The Village Board went into closed session at 6:30.
- 7) The Village Board may reconvene into open session and may take action on items considered in closed session – Motion by John Ewert, second by Michael Wandschneider to reconvene into open session at 6:40. Motion carried.
- 8) Appointment of Cindi Gamb to Clerk-Treasurer – Motion by Tom Schnettler, second by Michael Wandschneider to appoint Cindi Gamb to Clerk-Treasurer as discussed. Motion carried.
- 9) Approve advertising for open position in Clerk-Treasurer office – This position will be advertised as Deputy Clerk-Treasurer per Village ordinances at \$20-\$25 per hour. Motion by Tom Schnettler, second by Michael Wandschneider to approve advertising for Deputy Clerk-Treasurer with Cindi conducting the interviews and making recommendation to the Village Board. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Minutes from Finance Committee, Property Committee and Library Board
Kohler Police Department Call Summary Report for November 2024
Claims List from November 2024

Adjournment

Motion by Michael Wandschneider, second by Brett Edgerle to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Motion carried.

Laurie Lindow, Clerk-Treasurer