

Village of Kohler
Village Board Meeting
September 15, 2025

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

Items of Concern Regarding the Agenda, Including Public Comment – none.

Approve Meeting Minutes from August 18, 2025 – Motion by John Ewert, second by Mike Wandschneider to approve the meeting minutes from August 18, 2025. Motion carried.

Business

- 1) The Finance Committee Recommends the Village Board Take Action on the Following:
 - a) August Revenue and Expense Reports, Bank Reconciliation and Journal Entries – Motion by John Ewert, second by Mike Wandschneider to approve the August Revenue and Expense reports, bank reconciliation and journal entries. Motion carried.
 - b) Resolution No. 2025-5, Resolution for Inclusion Under the Wisconsin Public Employers' Group Health Insurance Program – Motion by John Ewert, second by Mike Wandschneider to approve Resolution No. 2025-5, Resolution for Inclusion Under the Wisconsin Public Employers' Group Health Insurance Program. A roll call vote was taken: John Ewert – aye, Mike Wandschneider – aye, Brett Edgerle – aye, Kelly Kasten – aye, Tracy Lyons – aye, Laurie Lindow – absent, Tom Schnettler – aye. Motion carried.
- 2) Discuss Contract with Pros 4 Technology - Motion by Tom Schnettler, second by Mike Wandschneider to approve moving forward with Pros 4 Technology for IT services for an amount not to exceed \$4,000 contingent upon approval of the contract by Attorney Mike Bauer. Motion carried.
- 3) Review 2026 General Fund, Capital Outlay, Special Funds, Water Utility and Sewer Utility Budgets – Cindi Gamb presented the 2026 draft budgets.
 - Taxes-general property taxes - this is the levy limit.
 - State Transportation Aid – waiting for the amount from the state.
 - Library budget – this is a draft. The library board will be approving the budget at their October meeting.
 - New line item – IT services, this is for all departments.
 - Fund Balance – as of 12/31/24 the fund balance is \$897,158 or 23%.

- Debt – as of 1/1/26
 - General Obligation debt limit is \$34.3 million.
 - Outstanding General Obligation debt is \$19.9 million or 58% of debt limit.
 - Remaining debt capacity is \$14.4 million.
- Water net position as of 12/31/24 is \$829,537.
- Sewer net position as of 12/31/24 is (\$470,641) deficit. Currently working with Ehlers on a sewer rate study.

Further discussion on the budgets will take place at the October meeting and the public hearing to approve the budgets will be at the November meeting.

- 4) Tom Schnettler announced the Village Board was going into Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(e) for the Purposes of Deliberating or Negotiating the Purchasing of Public Properties, the Investing of Public Funds, or Conducting Other Specified Public Business, Whenever Competitive or Bargaining Reasons Requires a Closed Session – Negotiation of Property Transfer – Motion by Tom Schnettler, second by Mike Wandschneider to go into closed session. A roll call vote was taken: Mike Wandschneider – aye, Brett Edgerle – aye, Kelly Kasten – aye, Tracy Lyons – aye, Laurie Lindow – absent, John Ewert – aye, Tom Schnettler – aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Tom Schnettler, second by Mike Wandschneider to return to open session. Motion carried.

- 5) The Village Board may Reconvene into Open Session and may take Action on Items Considered in Closed Session – No formal action was taken.

Correspondence

Minutes from Finance Committee, Property Committee, Planning Commission, Health Insurance Ad-Hoc Committee, Public Library Board, Board of Zoning Appeals
August Police Department Call Summary
August Claims Lists

Adjournment

Motion by Mike Wandschneider, second by John Ewert to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Cindi Gamb, Clerk/Treasurer

Meeting minutes approved _____