

MISHICOT VILLAGE BOARD
Regular Meeting
January 20, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Becker called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Theresa Becker, Al Beranek, Judy Ferry, Terri Bouchoud and Ryan Rezek.

Absent: President Bernie Samz and Trustee John Franz.

Officials Present: Clerk/Treasurer Kathy Reissmann, Chief Paul Granger and DPW Director John Tulachka.

Others Present: Brian and Kay Benzinger, Jeff Adair, Dan Nejedlo, Bob Shimek, Shane Bruhnke and Chuck Windus from WPS.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Trustees Ferry/Bouchoud moved to approve the December 16, 2025 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

VISITORS AND GUESTS - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chief Paul Granger

- The Mishicot Public Safety Cadets have been ramping up their training for the statewide competition held Jan 30th-Feb 1st
- NWTC allowed the Cadets to use their virtual reality training equipment in preparation for the state competition
- The Cyber Security Grant Chief Granger was looking into for Village wide use is a match grant so he will not be applying due to budgetary concerns
- We have an officer off on medical leave so responsibilities have been shifted
- Chief Granger provided an update on a recent investigation that WI DOJ is assisting with
- Chief Granger provided an update on the Manitowoc County Criminal Justice Coordination Council
- Chief Granger provided an update on the Law Enforcement Executives meeting
- Had another meeting for a Special Bulletin Notification sex offender release, there has been an influx of these releases
- County wide we have been doing large scale active killer trainings annually, however no grant this year so will be replacing that with a 3-hour refresher

involving scenarios. Mishicot PD maintains a high level of training, this loss of the grant only affects multi-jurisdictional training

- Chief Granger will be participating in ICS/EOC interface training in March
- Mishicot PD is exploring the What 3 Words app to assist in better locating victims who call 911. There is no cost for this.
- Chief Granger worked with the District Attorney to make a change in how the department handles preliminary hearings on criminal cases to help in lowering overtime costs
- Chief Granger met with Manitowoc County Human Services today to discuss proposed changes to protocols regarding allegations of child abuse
- Chief Granger meeting with young adult tomorrow allowing them to shadow as they are interested in the law enforcement field
- Chief Granger is finalizing the submission of a grant to cover a signification portion of our annual Lexipol costs.
- The Warrant Search Team is nearing operational status. As a reminder this is a new team formed by Two Rivers Police Department which we have an officer serving on, providing us access to this team for our search warrants. The Chief's will be drafting an MOU

Trustee Al Beranek

- Had the Parks/MCAC meeting last week.

Clerk Kathy Reissmann

- An updated committee list was handed out to the board members.
- Reminder that the Village Association meeting is tomorrow night at 7 Lakes.
- Update on the villages portion of the cost of the W. Samz Road project billing total is \$159,529.06.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

A. LICENSE APPLICATIONS APPROVAL

Approval of operator's licenses #2025-118, Desiree C. Kleiman, #2025-119, Michael Cohen and approval of Class "B" Picnic license #5, Mishicot Fire Department. **Trustees Beranek/Brouchoud moved to approve as presented. Motion carried.**

B. LIST OF CLAIMS APPROVAL

Trustee Becker presented general fund claims in the amount of \$764,348.51, TID 2 claims in the amount of \$1,067.50, water utility claims in the amount of \$26,283.05 and sewer utility claims in the amount of \$31,263.90 for approval. **Trustees Beranek/Rezek moved to approve the list of claims as presented totaling \$822,962.96. Roll call: Ayes-5, Nays-0, Absent-2. Motion carried.**

C. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF THE VETERAN'S BANNERS (KAY BENZINGER)

Kay Benzinger approached the board asking for approval to allow banners for the "Honor a Vet" program to be hung on the light poles downtown on Main Street. Discussion followed. It was noted that it is a good idea but now is not a good time as the village is looking at replacing the poles downtown on Main Street and suggested that they wait until that is done before putting up the banners. They would also need approval from WPS to put anything on the light poles. No action was taken at this time.

D. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL MCAC OPERATING COSTS/RENTAL FEES

The MCAC operating costs were tabled until the next meeting so that all board members could be present for the discussion. Discussion was held on the rental fees recommended by the Parks/MCAC committee. Questions were asked for clarification. This item is tabled until the next meeting as well.

E. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF THE POWER LINE PROJECT ON MAIN STREET (WPS)

WPS Representatives Shane Bruhnke and Chuck Windus discussed the proposed power line project on downtown Main St. Mr. Bruhnke handed out the 3 options/estimates for the project. Discussion was held, questions were asked and answered. No action was taken at this time.

F. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF THE MISHICOT WELCOME SIGN REPLACEMENTS

Trustee Becker handed out a final draft of the new Mishicot signs along with the cost of \$2,120 per sign not including the cost of the posts or installation. It was noted that the MBA has donated \$6,000, the village has budgeted \$5,050, MAGIC has budgeted \$3,000 and the Lions Club will donate as well to the cost of these signs. Lucky Signs and Graphics will donate the first sign. Two signs will be put up this year starting with the one on Hwy 147. No action taken by the board.

G. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF THE RUEKERT-MIELKE QUOTE FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE MAIN STREET WATER & SEWER RELAY PROJECT

The quote from Ruekert & Mielke was presented in the amount of \$61,000 for the water & sewer relay project on Main Street. **Trustees Rezek/Beranek moved to approve the engineering quote from Ruekert & Mielke at a cost of \$61,000. Roll call: Ayes-5, Nays-0, Absent-2. Motion carried.**

H. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL FOR CEDAR CORP TO PROCEED WITH THE SUBDIVISION LAND DIVISION ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF WI, THE COMP PLAN AMENDMENT AND THE ZONING TEXT AMENDMENTS

Discussion was held on the ordinance changes required and on the comp plan and zoning text amendments that have been on hold. **Trustees Brouchoud/Rezek moved to approve for Cedar Corp to move forward with preparing these ordinance amendments as presented. Motion carried.**

COMMUNICATIONS - None

ADJOURN

Trustees Rezek/Beranek moved to adjourn at 7:08 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Kathy Reissmann, Village Clerk-Treasurer