

The Regular Village Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Village President John Meyer.

Board Members Present at the Community Center: John Meyer, Eugene Mayernick, Wolfgang Henschik, John Reinbold and Alan Barrows

Excused: Al Theis

Also Present at Community Center: Administrator Tamez

Administrator Tamez noted that proper notice of this meeting had been posted in accordance with the open meeting laws of the State of Wisconsin.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Trustee Barrows, second by Trustee Reinbold, Board members approved the Village Board minutes of the January 6, 2025, meeting and acknowledged receipt of the November 26, 2024, Plan Commission meeting minutes and waived reading thereof.

MONTHLY MAINTENANCE REPORT—T. SADLER

The DPW Supervisor was not required to attend. The Board members reviewed her monthly report. The hiring for seasonal help ad has been posted. Items regarding security cameras at Wales Community Park and an automatic closing gate will be discussed after more information is received.

HUMANE ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE VILLAGE OF WALES

Motion by Trustee Mayernick to enter into an agreement for Humane Animal Welfare services for the Village of Wales with the Humane Animal Welfare Society of Waukesha County for a 3-year term, 2025 to 2027 with an amount of \$1388.44 per year, second by Trustee Henschik, passed unanimously.

JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH WAUKESHA COUNTY 9-1-1 EMERGENCY SYSTEM

Motion by Trustee Barrows to approve the annual Joint Powers Agreement with Waukesha County 911 Emergency Systems, second by Trustee Mayernick, passed unanimously.

This agreement expires 12/31/2025.

ANNUAL LOAN PAYMENTS

Annual principal and interest payment amounts:

Due March 1, 2025, for Sanitary Sewer construction in the amount of \$320,000.00 principal plus \$45,937.50 interest and September 1, 2025, interest of \$42,737.50.

Due May 2025 for 2024 Road project in the amount of \$333,333.33 in principal and \$19,500.00 in interest and December 2025, interest of \$13,000.00.

Due June 2025 for the Community Building Addition in the amount of \$60,000.00 in principal and \$3,045.00 in interest and December 2024, interest of \$2,610.00.

Motion by Trustee Reinbold to approve the annual loan payments for Sewer Construction, Road project debt and Community Building construction debt, second by Trustee Barrows, passed unanimously.

2024 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

This item will be placed on a future board agenda for possible action.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

Bills submitted for 2024 and 2025 expenses were approved on a motion by Trustee Reinbold, second by Trustee Hemschik, passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/UPDATES

Finance Committee

Trustee Reinbold will be attending the Ehlers Public Finance Seminar on February 13 and 14, 2025.

Personnel Committee

The recommendation to put the Assistant Maintenance Supervisor will be on the next agenda for official action.

Sewer Utility

The Public Works Committee is working on Class 2 Charges for the new budget. Final numbers will be on an upcoming agenda for approval.

Plan Commission

Work is continuing on updating the business zoning districts and related maps.

Parks Commission

The Commission is in the final phase of creating the Comprehensive Plan. SEH is working on cleaning up details. The commission has added in recommendations for security at the park that includes cameras and automatic gate at the entrance to control unauthorized vehicular access during closed hours.

Public Works Committee

The state will not be starting the Hwy 83 resurfacing project until 2026. They are anticipating it to be done by June so the Village should have enough time to complete our lighting project. More information will be coming.

Junk/Weeds

No new updates to report at this time.

Fire Department

The Chief has requested a reinspection of the ISO rating for the fire district. More information will be coming.

Insurance

No new updates to report at this time.

Administrator

The 2024 audit has started. Baker Tilley will be on site most of the week. The deputy clerk has started the scanning project and it is going well.

Village President

Attended a meeting with the other members of the Lake Country Fire and Rescue Department and representatives from the Public Policy Forum to discuss the funding formula options report. More information will be coming.

CLOSED SESSION

The Village Board will convene into closed session for the purpose 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 require a closed session as provided at Section 19.85 (1) (e) Wis. Stats. as it relates to Lake Country Fire and Rescue Department

Motion by Trustee Mayernick to adjourn into closed session, second by Trustee Barrows, Roll Call Vote as follows: Trustee Barrows – aye; Trustee Reinbold – aye; President Meyer – aye; Trustee Mayernick – aye; Trustee Hemschik – aye; the motion passed unanimously,

The Board convened into closed session at 7:02 p.m.

- Discussion: Lake Country Fire and Rescue Department

ADJOURN FROM CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned at 7:42 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Mayernick, second by Trustee Barrows, passed unanimously. Roll Call Vote as follows: Trustee Barrows – aye; Trustee Reinbold – aye; President Meyer – aye; Trustee Mayernick – aye; Trustee Hemschik – aye.

Submitted by:

Gail E. Tamez, Administrator-Clerk