

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

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

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

Also Present at Community Center: Administrator Tamez; Laura Schneider (Arch Solar) and Erick Mackey, 329 Elias; Laurence Salo, 321 S. Taliesin Road and Debra Scharff, 704 E. Brandybrook Road.

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 Comments were received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Trustee Theis, second by Trustee Mayernick, Board members approved the minutes of the Village Board meeting of September 22, 2025, acknowledged receipt of the July 29, 2025, Plan Commission meeting minutes and waived reading thereof.

PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposed Building and Ground Mounted Signage for 271 W. Summit Avenue—Starbucks

Motion by Trustee Theis to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation and approve the proposed building mounted signage for the Starbucks which is currently under construction at 271 W. Summit Avenue as presented, second by Trustee Barrows, passed unanimously. Ground mounted signage will need to be reviewed and approved at another Plan Commission meeting as it was unacceptable.

Conditional Use Permit for 329 Elias Street for a Ground Mounted Solar System

Motion by Trustee Barrows to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation and approve the Conditional Use Permit for the proposed ground mounted solar system at 329 Elias Street as presented and allowed for in the Village Code of Ordinances, with no additional conditions placed on the project, second by Trustee Henschik, passed 5-0. Trustee Mayernick abstained.

Specifics regarding both items can be found in Plan Commission minutes of September 30, 2025.

DRAFT ORDINANCE FOR FIRE PROTECTION FEE

The Board reviewed the draft ordinance for the establishment of fire protection fees and calculation chart. The ordinance will be on the next regular board agenda for possible approval.

MONTHLY MAINTENANCE REPORT—T. SADLER

Board members reviewed the monthly maintenance report. Questions regarding the disc golf course recommended improvements were raised and will be addressed at the next Public Works meeting.

LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH WAUKESHA COUNTY FOR SALT FOR 2025/2026 SEASON

Motion by Trustee Mayernick to approve the letter of agreement with Waukesha County to provide 1,000 tons of salt/winter materials to the Village of Wales at a cost of \$103.40/ton for salt for the 2025/2026 season, second by Trustee Reinbold, passed unanimously.

YEAR-END BONUSES FOR VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Trustee Theis addressed the Board to recommend year-end bonuses for the four full-time employees of the Village. He stated the Village is in excellent shape and that the employees have performed their jobs with outstanding professionalism and have represented the interests of the Village Admirably. The Board agreed. The Personnel Committee is recommending a two-week bonus all four full-time employees.

Motion by Trustee Reinbold to approve the Personnel Committee's recommendation and authorize a two-week pay yearend bonus for the Administrator Clerk-Treasurer, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, the DPW Supervisor and the Assistant DPW Supervisor, second by Trustee Mayernick, passed unanimously.

2026 BUDGET REVIEW

Board members reviewed the proposed 2026 budget. The proposed budget includes a reduction in the Public Safety area as a result of fire protection costs being potentially removed from the levy and placed on the tax bill as a fee. As presented, the total levy is \$1,231,668. The budget hearing will be Monday, November 3, 2025.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS/UPDATES

Finance Committee

No new updates to report at this time.

Personnel Committee

No new updates to report at this time.

Sewer Utility

No new updates to report at this time.

Plan Commission

The Commission had two public hearings, one for ground mounted solar panels and one for a hobby kennel. The Kennel issue will be returning to the Commission with additional information as there are a number of neighbor concerns.

Recycling Trustee discussed the community outreach the County will be doing regarding “clean recyclables” and why it is so important.

Public Works Committee

The Committee will be meeting next week to discuss a number of items including a proposal from the Torrent soccer club.

Junk/Weeds

No new updates to report at this time.

Fire Department

Trustee Mayernick gave an update on the July and August runs along with response times and staffing levels.

Insurance

No new updates to report at this time.

Administrator

Reminded the Board about the mandatory training on Monday, November 3, 2025, at 5pm prior to the Village Board meeting and the Holiday gathering on Monday, December 1, 2025. More information will be available soon.

Village President

No new updates to report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 7:42 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Barrows, second by Trustee Theis, passed unanimously.

Submitted by:

Gail E. Tamez, Administrator-Clerk