

Village of Withee

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The Village of Withee Board met on June 8, 2026, in the Municipal Building, Conference Room at 6:30 pm for the regular board meeting.

ROLL CALL-President Klabon called the meeting to order. Roll call was answered by Klabon, Trustees Shelton, Amacher, and Kalepp. Kroeplin was absent. Clerk Niemi recorded the minutes. Also present were DPW Derek Schad, Mary Rosiejka, Louise Olszewski, Ronald Uhlig, Chief Fehlman, and Cindy Cardinal.

MINUTES-An Amacher/Kalepp motion to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2026, regular meeting carried with all ayes.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS-A Shelton/Kalepp motion to approve the monthly financial statements for the General, Water, and Sewer Accounts carried with all ayes.

PAYMENT OF BILLS-A Kalepp/Shelton motion to approve paying the General Account checks 37528 thru 37541 Water Account checks 7640 thru 7649, and Sewer Account check 2638 thru 2639 and online bills as presented carried with all ayes.

PAYROLL REPORT-The board reviewed the employee timecards and payroll report.

COMMUNITY INPUT-Mary Rosiejka asked if the branches could be trimmed back at the intersection of Clover and Division. Rosiejka also asked if brush piles behind garage, old cars, and junk could be cleaned up at 705 Clover St.

COMMITTEE REPORT-Trustee Amacher presented CCEDC fliers for June events, dairy breakfasts, and garage sales, noting Withee Days and the Honor Flight quilt display. Food pantry is holding a huge garage sale at the Bogseth Transport building the weekend after Labor Day.

POLICE REPORT-The board reviewed a six-month and the May case listings which included 75 municipal code violations. A county-wide records management system program is being proposed in 2027. A lease between the OWPD and the City of Owen for their share of office and garage space, and utilities is projected to cost \$650/month starting, 1/01/2027. Fehlman said he will follow up on ordinance violation properties. K-9 Jimi reaches retirement in 2028. Haugstad is working on fundraising and possible grants for a replacement K-9. An Amacher/Kalepp motion to accept the treasurer's report carried with all ayes.

LIBRARY SHELVING IN CONFERENCE ROOM- Louise Olszewski stated the library continues to look for a library director. The library received a \$2,000 grant for LEGO kits for patron checkout but needs a display. An Amacher/Kalepp motion to approve the building by Ron Uhlig of three (3) 4'x20"x 3' wheeled shelving units for kit display in the conference room, paid by the library carried with all ayes.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS-DPW Schad said the recirculating pump will be installed tomorrow. Ovyms will be placing culverts in North Street soon. He and Dave Laabs have been weed eating, mowing, and spraying weeds. Schad and Denny Looker have been digging out ditches at the park; the 160' culvert by the shelter may need replacing. Schad plans to mow ditches, sweep streets, paint curbs, and clear brush by intersections before Withee Days. He will get a quote for fixing curbs.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT-An Amacher/Kalepp motion to approve Class "A" license for Liberty Square Gas Station d/b/a Refuel Pantry-Withee, Agent Mellisa Jacobson; "Class A" license for Liberty Square Gas Station d/b/a Refuel Pantry-Withee, Agent Mellisa Jacobson; Class "B" licenses for: Withee Community Softball League, Agent Mary A. Rollins; Wisco Cheese & Cheers LLC d/b/a Cheese & Cheers Bistro, Agent Mellisa

Jacobson; O-W Black River Sportsmen's Inc, Agent Jeffrey Greschner; Temporary Class "B" beer license for O-W Lions Club, Agent Sandi Maguire-Petke; Temporary "Class B" wine license for O-W Lions Club, Agent Sandi Maguire-Petke; "Class B" licenses for: Midway Bar LLC, Agent Dawn Burkhardt; Jason Thornton d/b/a IGYS Bar & Grill carried with all ayes. A Shelton/Kalepp motion to approve operator licenses for: Danielle Staniec, Robin Sixberry, Sandi Maguire-Petke, Lacey Ladewig, Kristine Kodl, Bryan Kell, Teri Shattuck, Ashley Seefluth, Marsha Ross, Dawn Klabon, Gary Lindgren, Jody Nordine, Brook Cruz Rojas, Jennifer Hogan, Lindsey Emmerich, Christian Klarr, Natasha Danielsen carried with all ayes. According to Village ordinances, the Clerk/Treasurer is authorized to invest money not immediately needed to earn interest. The board discussed the benefits of the Clerk/Treasurer transferring idle funds from the checking accounts to the LGIP to earn higher interest, which will be shown on the monthly financial statements. The board reviewed the League Insurance letter and dividend check.

CLOSED SESSION-President Klabon announced that the Village Board was going to convene to CLOSED SESSION PER 19.85(1)(e)§ 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 to discuss/consider Site Lease Agreement regarding Clark County parcel #191.0231.006. A Kalepp/Amacher motion to invite Clerk Niemi and DPW Schad into closed session carried with all ayes. A Kalepp/Shelton motion to convene into closed session at 7:30 pm carried with all ayes. An Amacher/Shelton motion to reconvene into open session at 7:52 pm carried with all ayes. A Kalepp/Amacher motion for the terms that were discussed for future negotiations, and that the Village attorney will work with Country Wireless to finalize the Agreement carried with all ayes.

A Kalepp/Amacher motion to adjourn at **7:53 pm** carried with all ayes.

Ellen Niemi, Village Clerk

*** These minutes are unofficial and will be formally approved at the next regular board meeting scheduled for **Monday, July 13, 2026, at 6:30 pm** ***