



VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER at 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL: K. HANDRICK-Present, M. AHRENS-Present, K. SORENSON-Present, K. PAUL-Present, B. PARLIER-Present, J. LAWRENCE-Present, A. CABRERA-Absent

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

a. Virtual Meeting Guidelines

This meeting will be recorded and available upon request

b. Public Participation at Government Meetings

In Person: Fire Chief Darrin Hall

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discuss and Approve Sign Design for County Materials Sports Complex

*Item moved After 4b.

Administrator Cherek informed the Board that per their signed land purchase agreement in 2020 with the previous land owner, a red granite monument is to be displayed near the flagpoles at the entrance of the park. In talking with Wausau Monument, Cherek presented a mock up drawing of the 5'x3'x6" monument to be installed. He estimates the cost of monument and installation to be between \$10,000-11,000. The monument is to be installed before games are played at the fields, per the agreement.

Cherek then shared designs of informational signs for County Materials Sports Complex, St Matthew's Church, and Little Lions Daycare, including signs for the entrance to the park, driveway and sidewalk signs and field name signs. Design proofs from Stratford Sign Company included in Agenda Packet. Quote for all signs from Stratford Sign Company is \$47,145.

The Park project is set to end about \$14,000 negative after drain tile is scheduled to be installed in spring to help alleviate a water drainage issue on the fields. This is before purchase of any signs.

Cherek informed the Board the 4th Street project budget is sitting positive \$46,000 with \$23,000 going towards the lighting of the tunnel that will happen in spring. The extra \$20,000 in this project could be reallocated to help pay for the monument.

The Board agreed to move forward with the monument per the 2020 land purchase agreement and have Cherek draft a letter to the donation sources to inform them that park donation signage will come later as funds become available.

b. Discuss and Possible Action on Fire Department Engine #46

*Item moved ahead of 4a.

On Tuesday, February 10th, on a Fire call to Kwik Trip, the pump housing cracked on Engine #46. The pump is used for pumping water at calls when needed but is also connected to the transmission

and the drive shaft of the Engine. The Engine became undriveable immediately and required towing back to the station.

Engine #46 is the Village Engine. It holds all the LDH (large diameter hoses) that hook directly to hydrants in case of a fire call within Village limits. The Dept removed some equipment from primary Engine #49 to make room for approximately 600' of the LDH and needed fittings in case of a Village Fire.

Cherek spoke with a representative from ISO (Insurance Services Office) to determine how being down an engine could affect MFD's ISO rating. The rating could move from a 6 to a 9, with a 10 being the least favorable rating in the scale.

North Star Emergency Vehicle Service, who has done annual pump tests for the Dept for years, has been contacted by Chief Hall to give an estimate on repairs. From pictures shared with him, he estimates cost to be around \$30,000 - 40,000. He will be out to assess the pump in person within the next week.

Cherek and the Board discussed options within the budget to cover cost of repair or financing if a replacement Engine is needed. Ultimately, no motions were made at this time. Cherek will report back on findings from North Star Emergency Vehicle Services when a repair quote is supplied.

5. VILLAGE BOARD WILL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION BY ROLL CALL VOTE PER WIS. STAT. 19.85(1)(e) "DELIBERATING OR NEGOTIATING THE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC PROPERTIES, THE INVESTING OF PUBLIC FUNDS, OR CONDUCTING OTHER SPECIFIED PUBLIC BUSINESS, WHENEVER COMPETITIVE OR BARGAINING REASONS REQUIRE A CLOSED SESSION."

MOTION – Go into Closed Session per Wis Stat. 19.85(1)(e) at 7:17 pm

Motion made by Ahrens second by Lawrence. Motion passed by roll call vote.

AHRENS-Yes SORENSON-Yes PAUL-Yes PARLIER-Yes LAWRENCE-Yes HANDRICK-Yes

a. Stittleburg Restorative Health Care Development Agreement

6. VILLAGE BOARD WILL RETURN TO OPEN SESSION BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOTION – Return to Open Session at 7:47 pm

Motion made by Sorenson second by Ahrens. Motion passed by roll call vote.

SORENSON-Yes PAUL-Yes PARLIER-Yes LAWRENCE-Yes HANDRICK-Yes AHRENS-Yes

7. TAKE ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS IF NEEDED

No action taken

8. FUTURE SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

a. Regular Village Board Meeting – Wednesday, March 4, 2026 – 6:00 pm

b. Special Village Board Meeting – As Needed

9. ADJOURNMENT at 7:48 pm

Motion to adjourn made by Lawrence second by Sorenson. Motion passed by voice vote.