



VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 11, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Kronenwetter Municipal Center - 1582 Kronenwetter Drive Board Room (Lower Level)

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President Chris Voll called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Those in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance.

B. Roll Call

PRESENT

Trustee Alex Vedvik

Trustee Chris Eiden

Trustee Kelly Coyle

Trustee Aaron Myszka

Trustee Ken Charneski

Village President Chris Voll

STAFF PRESENT

Clerk Bobbi Birk-LaBarge

Director of Public Works Greg Ulman

Police Chief Terry McHugh

Fire Chief Theresa O'Brien

2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

A closed session was announced for discussions regarding the WPPA union contract. Village President Chris Voll then acknowledged there was not a need for closed session.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Please be advised per State Statute Section 19.84(2), information will be received from the public. It is the policy of this Village that Public Comment will take no longer than 15 minutes with a three-minute time period, per person, with time extension per the Chief Presiding Officer's discretion. Be further advised that there may be limited discussion on the information received, however, no action will be taken under public comments.

Sharon Bertler - no address given; submitted an E-Mail for the clerk to read regarding fluoridation in the water.

Nate O'Donnell - 1961 Deerwood Trail; submitted an E-Mail for the clerk to read regarding village concerns and always being in the news for non-positive things.

Patty Tikalsy -2153 Peach Road; submitted an E-Mail for the clerk to read regarding her withdrawing her application for the vacant appointed trustee seat and sharing positive information in regard to village clerk Bobbi Birk-LaBarge. Tikalsy also thanked the staff for the job they do.

Cynthia Schaefer - 2176 Cresente Drive; shared her concerns about Trustee Ken Charneski suggesting removing the fluoride from Kronenwetter's drinking water.

Amy Bergstrom - 2071 Pine Road; spoke of her concerns about Trustee Ken Charneski suggesting the removal of fluoride from Kronenwetter's drinking water.

Bernie Kramer - 2150 E. State Hwy 153; shared the Village of Rib Mountains 2025 budget hearing notification and their proposed budget.

4. **REPORTS FROM STAFF AND VENDORS**

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D. **Fire Chief Report**

Fire Chief Theresa O'Brien discussed an increase in call volume and reported on community engagement during Halloween. Attendance at career days and public events was mentioned.

E. **Director of Public Works Report**

Public Works Director Greg Ulman updated on recent infrastructure repairs, project completions, and upcoming maintenance activities. Questions were addressed regarding the timeline for certain park developments.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

F. **Review of Candidates for Vacated Trustee Position**

Candidates for the vacant trustee position presented their qualifications and motivations for seeking the position. The board expressed gratitude for their willingness to serve.

G. **Appointment of Village Board Trustee**

Motion made by Trustee Eiden, Seconded by Trustee Charneski to appoint Craig Mortensen as Village Board Trustee

Voting Yea: Trustee Vedvik, Trustee Eiden, Trustee Charneski, Village President Voll

Voting Nay: Trustee Myszka

Voting Abstaining: Trustee Coyle

Motion carried 4:1 with one abstention

H. **Request for Proposals for Auditing Services**

The potential need for issuing a request for proposals for auditing services was discussed. It was suggested that current services be maintained with a review for the following year.

Motion made by Trustee Coyle, Seconded by Trustee Vedvik to maintain the current auditor for 2025 and issue an RFP for 2026

Voting Yea: Trustee Vedvik, Trustee Eiden, Trustee Coyle, Trustee Myszka, Trustee Charneski, Village President Voll

Motion carried 6:0 by roll call vote

I. **Removal of Floride Chemicals from the Village's Drinking Water**

The board discussed the issue of removing fluoride from the village's drinking water. Public input on both sides was considered, and it was decided to take no action, thereby maintaining current fluoridation levels.

Motion made by Trustee Coyle, Seconded by Trustee Myszka to take no action and maintain current fluoridation levels in the water

Voting Yea: Trustee Vedvik, Trustee Coyle, Trustee Myszka, Village President Voll

Voting Nay: Trustee Charneski

Voting Abstaining: Trustee Eiden

Motion carried 4:1 with one abstention by roll call vote

J. Contract for Service; Maintenance Agreement for Village's Copy Services- Bauernfeind Business Technologies

The board considered and approved a maintenance service agreement for the village's copier services. Motion made by Trustee Coyle, Seconded by Trustee Vedvik to approve the maintenance service agreement with Bauernfeind Business Technologies

Voting Yea: Trustee Vedvik, Trustee Eiden, Trustee Coyle, Trustee Myszka, Trustee Charneski, Village President Voll

Motion carried 6:0 by roll call

K. Resignation of Finance Director

The board acknowledged the resignation of Finance Director Lisa Kerstner, with the last official working day of Tuesday, November 12, 2024.

L. Village Clerk Submission of Monthly Reports

The discussion about whether the village clerk should submit monthly reports took place. It was decided not to implement such a requirement at this time due to workload considerations.

Motion made by Trustee Vedvik, Seconded by Trustee Coyle to take no action on monthly report submissions by the village clerk

Voting Yea: Trustee Vedvik, Trustee Eiden, Trustee Coyle, Trustee Myszka, Village President Voll

Voting Nay: Trustee Charneski

Motion carried 5:1 by voice vote

6. CLOSED SESSION

Consideration of motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1)(c) for consideration of employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility – to wit WPPA union contract
The board did not go into closed session.

M. WPPA Union contract

The Wisconsin Profession Police Association's contract was discussed and agreed upon.

7. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Consideration of a motion to reconvene into an open session.

Does not apply

8. ACTION AFTER CLOSED SESSION

The board discussed and agreed to approve the WPPA union contract, adhering to the previously negotiated terms.

N. Consideration of WPPA Union Contract

Motion made by Village President Voll, Seconded by Trustee Eiden to approve the WPPA contract.

Voting Yea: Trustee Vedvik, Trustee Eiden, Trustee Coyle, Trustee Myszka, Trustee Charneski, Village President Voll

Motion carried 6:0 by roll call vote

9. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

None

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Trustee Charneski, Seconded by Trustee Coyle to adjourn the meeting.

Voting Yea: Trustee Vedvik, Trustee Eiden, Trustee Coyle, Trustee Myszka, Trustee Charneski, Village President Voll

Motion carried 6:0 by voice vote

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM

Minutes Prepared by: Clerk Bobbi Birk-LaBarge

Minutes Approved by Village Board on: November 25, 2024