



VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 29, 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

Village Clerk Bobbi Birk-LaBarge

Finance Director Lisa Kerstner

Director of Public Works and Utilities Greg Ulman

Police Chief Terry McHugh

Fire Chief Theresa O'Brien

2. NEW BUSINESS

C. 2025 Budget Review

The board discussed the 2025 budget in detail. Important topics included finalizing the budget with the department heads, determining which items to include in the 2025 budget versus future budgets, and strategizing for a balanced budget. They considered various funding options, budget amendments, and potential department cuts to address budget shortfall. Finance Director Lisa Kerstner presented the proposed expenses for various departments, such as legal fees, training expenses, and equipment maintenance, considering ways to make necessary cuts while managing limited funds. Discussion was held on eliminating non-essential expenses, managing department training budgets, and considering carryovers.

A review of law enforcement and EMS needs was carried out, with proposals to maintain the current budget amounts or allow carryover from under-utilized budget lines. They discussed reallocating funds for sustainable financial management, including recovering contingency and considering longer-term capital improvements.

Several detailed discussions took place, especially around departmental budgets, addressing funding and allocation across projects, personnel, and goals. Adjustments were proposed to realign financial allocations fittingly.

The village board agreed to return to finalize further budget details after additional revisions. A future meeting was proposed to review updates.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Trustee Charneski, Seconded by Trustee Myszka to adjourn.

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 9:22 PM

Meeting Minutes Prepared by: Clerk Bobbi Birk-LaBarge

Meeting Minutes Approved by the Village Board on November 25, 2024