



COMMUNITY LIFE, INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC PROPERTY (CLIPP) COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 04, 2026 at 6:00 PM

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

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Village Clerk Jennifer Poyer called the May 4, 2026 CLIPP Committee Meeting to order at 6 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Those in attendance were invited to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

PRESENT: President Dan Joling, Trustee Aaron Myszka, Garrett Lysne, Patty Tikalsky, Paul Mijal

STAFF: Administrator James Davel, Public Works Director Greg Ulman, Finance Director John Jacobs, Police Chief Terry McHugh, Fire Chief Theresa O'Brien

2. SELECTION OF A CHAIRPERSON

Trustee Myszka was nominated for the chairperson position by Patty Tikalsky and seconded by President Joling. Trustee Myszka elected chairperson by acclamation.

3. SELECTION OF A VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Garrett Lysne was nominated for the vice-chairperson position by President Joling and seconded by Patty Tikalsky. Nomination approved with a voice vote. 4:0:1 – Lysne abstained from the vote.

4. COMMITTEE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

C. CLIPP Committee Duties and Responsibilities

Administrator Davel reviewed the duties and responsibilities of the CLIPP Committee. He mentioned the committee should set priorities. He mentioned possible focuses for the committee members for the upcoming months.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

David Baker-690 Happy Hollow Road, Kronenwetter, WI 54455- Baker's comment was read by the clerk and attached to the minutes.

Patty Tikalsky – 2153 Peach Road, Kronenwetter, WI 54455 – Tikalsky thanked the Kronenwetter Police Department, Fire Department and Public Works Department regarding the work and aid they offered during the recent severe weather events.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

D. April 6, 2026 CLIPP Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion by Joling/Mijal to approve the minutes. Motion carried by voice vote. 5:0.

7. REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

E. Police Chief Report

Police Chief McHugh presented his report and answered a question regarding the recent hirings of new police officers.

F. Fire Chief Report

Fire Chief O'Brien said April 2026 is the busiest month she has experienced. She said there were 24 fire calls and 55 med calls. She also said the live burn training was a success for her department members.

G. Public Works Director Report

Public Works Director Ulman presented his report. He updated the committee on the effects of the recent flooding and tornado. He said he met with Lee Recreation to develop a design proposal for Buska Park. He answered questions from the committee regarding the cost of Country Pumpers, the capability of a sewer vacuum truck and park donations. Finance Director Jacobs and Administrator Davel answered questions regarding the budget and the Bulk Item Drop-off event.

H. Community Development, Planning and Zoning Director

Administrator Davel presented the Community Development Director report. He said Peter Wegner is no longer with the Village. He said the Village is currently hiring a new director and planning tech.

I. Complaint Log

Administrator Davel presented the report. He said complaint numbers have gone up.

8. OLD BUSINESS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

J. Wausau Metropolitan Planning Organization Draft Model E-Bike Ordinance

Motion by Joling/Mijal to support the language of the Wausau Metropolitan Planning Organization Draft Model E-Bike Ordinance. Motion carried by voice vote. 5:0. Administrator Davel gave synopsis of the comments from residents regarding e-bikes in the Village. Police Chief McHugh said he had no concerns about the ordinance language. The committee surmised it was an agreeable set of standards that could be uniform throughout our area.

K. Discussion of Possible Truck Route on Kowalski Road

Public Works Director Ulman gave a review of this topic. He spoke of the possibilities regarding a truck route on Village roads. He said at this time there is no need for a truck route, but it could be revisited when the distribution center is completed.

L. Quit Claim Deed Proposed Marathon County Highway Shop Facility

Motion by Mijal/Lysne to recommend the Village Board approve the Quit Claim Deed for Tax Parcel ID Number: 145-2707-023-0994.

Administrator Davel presented this agenda item. He spoke of why the committee should approve it and recommend it to the Village Board. Marathon County staff members were on hand to discuss the County Highway Garage Facility project. Administrator Lance Leonhard spoke to what the county has done to help move the project forward and benefit the Village residents. He said the county would make a better effort to attend Village meetings on this subject. County staff commented on the timeline of the project; the need for the quit claim deed; and possible benefits of the facility for Kronenwetter. They answered questions from committee members.

9. NEW BUSINESS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

M. Kronenwetter Flanner/Jamroz Rehabilitation Bids

Public Works Director Ulman asked that this item be tabled until further information can be collected. He said the bids came in a lot higher than expected. Item was tabled until next meeting.

10. NEXT MEETING: June 1, 2026

11. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Finance Director Jacobs said he is hoping to present the CIP with street information to CLIPP in July.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lysne/Joling to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. 5:0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Public Comment for May 4, 2026 CLIPP Meeting

David Baker

690 Happy Hollow Road

Kronenwetter, WI

Thank you to each of you for your willingness to serve the Village. This public comment pertains specifically to Item 8L Quit Claim Deed and more generally to the topic of the planning process for the proposed new Marathon County Highway Facility.

The County has requested that the Village consider transferring 2 Village owned pieces of property that are adjacent to the proposed Highway facility to the County. Please consider making this transfer contingent upon or tied to the County's agreement to take jurisdiction of and upgrade Highway Business 51.

During my short tenure as Village President, I had the opportunity to meet with Marathon County Administrator Lance Leonhard regarding the proposed Highway Facility. In that meeting I requested that the County consider several items as they moved forward in order for them to be a good neighbor and gain general acceptance for the proposed facility among Kronenwetter residents.

1) Treat the immediate neighbors fairly. At the time we met, the County Board was planning to build a fence around the Scheftgen's property and leave their house in place. The Village subsequently changed its zoning code to require a 500 foot setback from residential property for the newly adopted Highway Facility use. The County reached a fair resolution with the Scheftgens shortly after.

2) I asked that the burdens caused by the proposed facility be shared among all County residents, not just by Kronenwetter residents. I acknowledged to Administrator Leonhard that the County is unwilling to pay a PILOT payment in lieu of taxes because it would set a precedent for all County property, but asked that the County consider taking steps which would lessen the burden on Kronenwetter residents and taxpayer due to the proposed facility. These steps could include items 3 through 5.

3) Consider placing a well on the property to provide water for the brining operation in order not to strain our water system. An additional waste water meter would be added for any well water that entered the sewer system. Kronenwetter would supply all water for domestic water use in the new shop. At the time, the County was amenable to this approach.

4) Have the County and Village agree to make a jurisdictional transfer of Highway 51 from Village Way to Kowalski Road from the Village to the County. This would shift the cost of maintaining this section of road to the County and thus the impact of the additional truck traffic would not be borne solely by Kronenwetter taxpayers.

5) Have the County upgrade the 2 lane sections of Highway 51 from Village Way to Kowalski Road to 4 lanes. This would minimize the impact on Kronenwetter residents from the increased truck traffic,

increased safety issues and potential commuting delays that would occur as trucks pull in and out of the facility.

The stated motivations for moving the Highway facility from its current location included safety and time delay impacts on the County Highway employees and Wausau residents. It does not make sense to just transfer these issues to Kronenwetter without upgrading Business 51 to mitigate the problems which will undoubtedly arise without the 4 lane upgrade.

Newly elected Supervisor/Trustee Coyle serves on the Marathon County Infrastructure Committee so he will have a seat at the table as these items are discussed at the County Standing Committee level.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

David Baker