

The Committee of the Whole Village of Winnebago was held on November 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: ACKERMAN, LEFEVRE, MCKINNON, PITNEY– Present; KIM –SMITH Absent.

Guests in attendance: Attorney Mary Gaziano, Village Administrator Joseph Dienberg, Sergeant Nick Haff, Chief Jeff White, Public Works Director Chad Insko, Treasurer Dana Novinson, Deputy Clerk Kellie Symonds

A quorum was established.

In the absence of President Eubank, a motion was made by MR. LEFEVRE, seconded MR. PITNEY to appoint MR. MCKINNON Acting Chair for the meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote.

#6 PUBLIC COMMENT – No one requested the opportunity to address the Board.

#7 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by MR. LEFEVRE, seconded by MR. PITNEY to accept the minutes of the October 23, 2024, meeting as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.

#8 DISCUSSION

- a. The Board discussed the proposed ordinance authorizing the Village of Winnebago to borrow funds from the Public Water Supply Loan Program for the Water Main Project affecting Cunningham Road, Pecatonica Street, and Winnebago Street to eliminate dead ends and aging. This loan would have a low interest rate and a possible thirty-year payback. It was noted that a water rate study will be needed in 2025.
- b. The Board discussed the 2025 proposed budget for Community Development, 4th of July and Strategic Reserves. Included in the Community Development Fund is a proposed Intern which would be a graduate student in a Local Government Program. This person would work about twenty hours per week with a two-year commitment. The 4th of July and Strategic Reserves were both discussed. The Board noted they really appreciated the updated format of the budget presentation.

There will possibly be a Committee of the Whole Meeting on December 18, 2024.

#9 EXECUTIVE SESSION – not needed

#10 NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Dienberg explained he is so thankful for the staff and all of their help in his almost year of employment.

Mrs. Novinson thanked everyone for their help.

A motion was made by MR. LEFEVRE, seconded by MR. ACKERMAN to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.

APPROVED JANUARY 15, 2025
Sally Jo Huggins, Village Clerk