VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 08, 2026 at 6:00 PM

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

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER** *President Dan Joling called the June 8, 2026 Village Board 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, Trustee Craig Mortensen, Trustee Jessica Stowell, Trustee Dan Lesniak, Trustee Kelly Coyle*
     STAFF: *Administrator James Davel, Finance Director John Jacobs, Police Chief Terry McHugh, Fire Chief Theresa O'Brien, Public Works Director Greg Ulman, Clerk Jennifer Poyer*
     GUESTS: *Clifton Larson Allen LLP Auditors Amber Danielski and Stuart Randall*
2. **MOTION TO MOVE AGENDA ITEMS**
   No agenda items were moved.
3. **CHAIRPERSON COMMENTS**
   President Joling said let's get moving on the audit.
4. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION**
   President Joling announced there would be a closed session during the meeting.
5. **2024 VILLAGE AUDIT - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
   - **C. 2024 Village Audit Review**
     Clifton Larson Allen LLP Auditors Amber Danielski and Stuart Randall reviewed the risk-based auditing approach and process. They went over the financial statements; material weaknesses and significant deficiencies found during the audit. They said the small staff, staff turnover and lack of maintenance were the causes of the weaknesses.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
   Patty Tikalsky – 2153 Peach Road, Kronenwetter, WI, 54455 – *Comment read by clerk and attached to minutes.*
   Tim Strachota – 2023 Greenbud Road, Kronenwetter, WI, 54455 – *Comment read by clerk and attached to minutes.*
   Bernie Kramer – 2150 E. State Highway 153, Peplin, WI, 54455 – Kramer commented on the 2024 Audit Report. He said it was "another poor performance by Kronenwetter."
7. **REPORTS FROM STAFF AND VENDORS**
   - **D. Police Chief's Report**
     Police Chief Terry McHugh presented his report. He said the department had a busy month in May.
   - **E. Fire Chief Report**
     Fire Chief Theresa O'Brien presented her report. She answered questions from the board regarding the recently removed homes along Old Hwy 51 in Kronenwetter.
   - **F. Administrator Report**

Administrator James Davel presented his report. He updated the board on the transfer switch situation in the Municipal Center and gave a update regarding the hiring of a Community Development Director. He answered questions about the storm on May 27, 2026.

G. Finance Director Report

Finance Director John Jacobs presented financial numbers from the past five years of audits. He reviewed the balances and explained the Village's position within each balance. He answered questions from the board members about the audit and the feasibility of finishing the 2025 Audit as expected.

8. CONSENT AGENDA - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

H. Operator "Bartender" License – Cory P. Boykins

I. Alcohol Beverage License Renewals 2026-2027

J. Cigarette, Tobacco and Electronic Vaping Device License Renewals 2026-2027

K. Temporary Alcohol Beverage Licenses - Peplin Memorial VFW Post 8280

L. June 1, 2026 Special Village Board Meeting Minutes

M. June 1, 2026 RESCHEDULED Village Board Meeting Minutes

Motion by Coyle/Mortensen to approve the Consent Agenda Items H – M. Motion carried by voice vote. 6:0.

9. NEW BUSINESS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

N. Purchase of a New 3/4 -Ton Crew Cab Truck for Public Works Department

Motion by Coyle/Myszka to approve spending for a 2026 GMC with a total cost of $49, 558.50. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

Public Works Director Ulman presented the background of this item. He said replacing an inoperative truck (due to a transmission failure) is more cost effective than fixing the truck. Finance Director Jacobs presented a plan for the finance portion. Her said budget amendments would be sent to the Administrative Policy Committee for approval, but public works wanted to be able to make the purchase immediately due to current inventory. Staff gave their recommendations and answered questions from the board members.

O. Appointment of Village Board Trustee

President Joling opened nominations for the office of Trustee. Coyle/Stowell nominated Mary Solheim. Myszka/Mortensen nominated Alexander Vedvik. Nominations were closed. Upon election by roll call vote, Mary Solheim was appointed. 4:2. (Voting yea – President Joling, Trustee Stowell, Trustee Lesniak, Trustee Coyle. Voting nay – Trustee Myszka, Trustee Mortensen.)

The candidates were invited to address the Village Board regarding their motivation to fill the vacant trustee position. Candidates Misti Swanson, Matthew Hildebrandt, Mary Solheim and Alexander Vedvik spoke.

P. Municipal Garage Building Proposals (CLIPP)

Motion by Myszka/Lesniak to design and build the six-bay garage. Myszka amended motion to include dollar amount.

Amended motion by Myszka/Mortensen to approve bid with SD Ellenbecker for $799,780. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

Public Works Director Ulman presented an overview and background of this agenda item. He explained the need for the garage building and how it would benefit the water utility, police department and parks department. He recommended SD Ellenbecker and said they could start in August 2026 and be done by January 2027.

Q. Kronenwetter Park Committee (CLIPP)

Motion by Coyle/Stowell for the creation of an Ad Hoc Parks committee. Coyle amended motion to specify a "special committee."

Amended motion by Coyle/Stowell for the creation of a Special Parks Committee. Coyle amended the motion to include the number of members.

Amended motion by Coyle/Stowell for the creation of a Special Parks Committee to be comprised of seven members. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

Trustee Myszka presented the background of this item and the advantages a Parks Committee would bring to the Village. The board members and staff discussed whether the committee should be a "special" or subcommittee; financing of the committee; purpose of the committee; and longevity of the committee.

R. Trails and Leisure for Village Owned Property on Lea Rd. (CLIPP)

Motion by Lesniak/Coyle to approve the project minus the parking lot and driveway access. Lesniak amended the motion to include the cost savings.

Amended motion by Lesniak/Coyle to approve the project minus the parking lot and driveway access for a total savings of $35,000. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

Public Works Director presented information on this agenda item. He discussed the status of the project and the security issues that exist with the water utility buildings. He answered questions from board members.

10. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mortensen/Stowell 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 Staff Performance Evaluations. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

TIME INTO CLOSED SESSION: 7:55 p.m.

PRESENT IN CLOSED SESSION: President Dan Joling, Trustee Aaron Myszka, Trustee Craig Mortensen, Trustee Jessica Stowell, Trustee Dan Lesniak, Trustee Kelly Coyle, Administrator James Davel, Clerk Jennifer Poyer

Clerk Jennifer Poyer left the closed session at 8:19 p.m.

Public Works Director entered closed session at 8:19 p.m. and left at 8:29 p.m.

Police Chief Terry McHugh entered the closed session at 8:29 p.m. and left at 8:39 p.m.

11. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Motion by Stowell/Myszka to reconvene into open session. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0. Open session reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

12. ACTION AFTER CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mortensen/Coyle to approve the monetary decision we made in closed session with regards to the evaluations. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

13. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

No items considered.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Stowell/Coyle to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. 6:0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.