



VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 24, 2025 at 6:00 PM

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

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Village President Dan Joling called the November 24, 2025 Village Board Meeting to order at 6 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

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

B. Roll Call

PRESENT: *President Dan Joling, Trustee Ken Charneski, Trustee Aaron Myszka, Trustee Craig Mortensen, Trustee Sandi Sorensen, Trustee Jessica Stowell*

STAFF: *Administrator James Davel, Finance Director John Jacobs, Community Development Director Peter Wegner, Public Works Director Greg Ulman, Clerk Jennifer Poyer*

2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

President Joling announced there would be a closed session later in the meeting after PUBLIC COMMENT.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Bernie Kramer, 2150 E. State Hwy 153, Peplin, WI, 54455- *Kramer commented on the completed budget. He said he had hoped the Village would prioritize roads and not buildings. He commented on the building of the parking garage that is planned to be built in 2026. He said the residents support the Village financially, instead of businesses.*

President Joling moved to Item 6J.- Trustee Appointment at this point in the meeting with the approval of the Village Board members.

4. REPORTS FROM STAFF AND VENDORS

C. Community Development Director Report

Community Development Director Peter Wegner presented his report.

D. Public Works Director Report

Public Works Director Greg Ulman presented his report. He commented on the Kronenwetter Drive construction project.

E. Finance Director Report - September 2025 Financials

Finance Director John Jacobs presented the September 2025 Financials. He commented on the General Fund Balance.

F. September Financials (Check register)

Finance Director Jacobs gave an overview of the September check register.

G. October Financials (Check Register)

Finance Director Jacobs gave an overview of the October check register.

H. 2025 Property Tax Calculations

Finance Director Jacobs reviewed the tax assessments with the Village Board. He mentioned he has discovered missing garbage bills from 2024 property tax bills. He said over 400 residents who qualify are not utilizing the Lottery and Gaming Credit.

5. CONSENT AGENDA - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

I. November 10, 2025 Village Board Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mortensen/Myszka to approve the minutes from the November 10, 2025 Village Board Meeting. Motion carried by voice vote. 6:0.

6. NEW BUSINESS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

J. Trustee Appointment – *Moved up in the meeting to follow Public Comment.*

Motion by Stowell/Myszka to approve the appointment of Garrett Lysnee. Motion failed by roll call vote. 2:3:1. Voting yea – Myszka, Stowell; Voting nay – Joling, Charneski, Sorensen; Abstaining – Mortensen

Motion by Charneski/Joling to approve Mary Jensen as the new board trustee. Motion carried by roll call vote. 4:0:2. Voting yea – Joling, Charneski, Myszka, Mortensen; Abstaining – Stowell, Sorensen

The candidates in attendance were invited to introduce themselves and state their reason for interest in the role. Candidate Mary Jensen introduced herself and gave her background in healthcare. She said she has fresh ideas. Candidate Monte Sorensen introduced himself and his background with municipal work. Candidate Garrett Lysne introduced himself and his background as a civil engineer. He said he is interested in providing input for the Village. Candidate Douglas Sutch was not in attendance at the meeting. The candidates answered questions from board members.

K. Budget Amendment #3 - Water Utility Fund & Debt Service Fund (APC)

Motion by Sorensen/Mortensen to approve Budget Amendment #3. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

Finance Director Jacobs presented the proposed budget transfers for the Water Utility Fund and Debt Service Fund. He answered questions from the board members.

L. Attorney RFP (APC)

Motion by Charneski/Stowell to approve the contract with Municipal Law & Litigation Group as our Village attorney. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

Administrator Davel presented information on this agenda item. He said Municipal Law & Litigation Group was recommended by the Administrative Policy Committee. He fielded questions from the board members regarding the cost, length of contract; attendance capabilities and current rate of VanderWaal. Finance Director Jacobs added that about 132 attorney hours have been budgeted for 2026 at the proposed rate.

M. Harter's Garbage and Recycling Contract (APC)

Motion by Charneski/Myszka to approve the contract. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

Public Works Director Ulman presented the background of the contract with Harter's.

N. Firefighters Accident and Health Policy Renewal (APC)

Motion by Sorensen/Stowell to go with the present plan and three-year prepayment plan.

Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

Finance Director Jacobs provided information on the policy. He answered questions from the board members.

O. United Healthcare Renewal (APC)

Motion by Myszka/Stowell to approve the renewal of the United Healthcare contract. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

Finance Director Jacobs presented information on the contract. He said it shows a 9.6% increase, and he budgeted for a 10% increase. He answered questions from board members.

P. Towering Pines Park Bike Path

Public Works Director Ulman gave background information on the Village's involvement with the creation of the Evergreen Bike Park. He answered questions from board members. He was directed to publicize Kronenwetter's role to the community.

7. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mortensen/Sorensen for the 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 Village employee complaints and Teamster Union negotiations. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6:0.

PRESENT IN CLOSED SESSION: President Dan Joling, Trustee Ken Charneski, Trustee Aaron Myszka, Trustee Craig Mortensen, Trustee Sandi Sorensen, Trustee Jessica Stowell, Administrator James Davel, Finance Director John Jacobs (left session at 7:48 p.m.)

Closed session convened at 7:24 p.m.

8. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Motion by Sorensen/Stowell for the consideration of motion to reconvene into open session. Motion carried by voice vote. 6:0.

Reconvened into open session at 8:16 p.m.

9. ACTION AFTER CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Sorensen/Mortensen to offer James Davel the authority to give teamsters the 3.5% he negotiated. Motion carried by roll call vote 5:1.

10. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Code of Conduct

11. ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.