

The Committee of the Whole of the Village of Winnebago, September 2, 2026.

The online meeting link to GoToMeeting was made available to employees and the public to attend remotely.

1. RECORDING OF THE MEETING

The meeting was recorded.

2. CALL TO ORDER

The Committee of the Whole of the Village of Winnebago met in person on September 2, 2026, at 6:10 p.m. with President Franklin J. Eubank, Jr. presiding.

3. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustee Jason Ackerman, Trustee Jeremy Graham, Trustee John Kim, Trustee Adam LeFevre and Trustee Mike McKinnon

ABSENT: Trustee Duane Springer

Guests present: Attorney Mary Gaziano, Village Administrator Joseph Dienberg, Treasurer Dana Novinson, Public Works Director Chad Insko. Seth Uphoff, Edward Vock, Shantanu Pai and Maroua Tabouri attended remotely

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

A quorum was established.

5. MEETING GUIDELINES

Discussion and Vote to Allow an Absent Trustee to Vote By Phone or Other Allowable Means.

No absent Trustee attended remotely.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. A maximum of thirty (30) minutes shall be generally allowed for public comment at each meeting.

No one requested to address the Board.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Trustee Graham, Seconded by Trustee McKinnon.to approve the minute of August 19, 2026. Motion carried on a voice vote.

8. DISCUSSION

a. TotalEnergies Concept Plan

The property owned by Edward Vock to be leased by TotalEnergies was discussed as a possible property to be annexed by the Village and a portion used for a solar farm.

President Eubank noted Village input, and Public Hearing will be needed for annexation. Ms. Jabouri the business development manager noted TotalEnergies was encouraged by Winnebago County to approach the Village for annexation. The Board discussed the need to inform the public. If annexed to the Village they could have more control on the project.

Trustee Kim left at 6:51 p.m.

The annexation agreement will include controls and solar requirements.

It was noted the Board is of the mindset to annex the property.

There will be two Public Hearings, one with the Zoning Board for their recommendation and then the Village Board.

The Board thanked TotalEnergies and they, in turn thanked the Board.

It was suggested all 160 acres owned by Mr. Vock should be annexed.

The property near Curran's Apple Orchard that was not approved for solar should be reviewed to find out why.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED SESSION) Pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)

None needed.

10. NEW BUSINESS

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Trustee Graham, Seconded by Trustee LeFevre to adjourn at 7:11 p.m.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

UNAPPROVED

Sally Jo Huggins, Village Clerk