

The Committee of the Whole of the Village of Winnebago was held on November 19, 2025 at 6:24 p.m. with President Franklin J. Eubank, Jr. presiding. The link for the employees and the public to attend remotely was made available through GoToMeeting.

ROLL CALL: ACKERMAN –GRAHAM – KIM - LEFEVRE (remotely)- present
MCKINNON – SPRINGER - absent

Guests: Attorney Mary Gaziano, Village Administrator Joseph Dienberg, Public Works Director Chad Insko, Chief Jeff White, Assistant Deputy Clerk Rachel Windgassen, Intern Kyle Okubo, Tamra Sanders, Shannon DeWitt, and attending remotely Lieutenant Nick Haff

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM – A quorum was established.

5. MEETING GUIDELINES – The Board agreed Trustee LeFevre could vote and participate while at work.

A motion was made by MR. GRAHAM, seconded by MR. KIM to allow MR. LEFEVRE to fully participate while at work.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. DeWitt, owner of the property at 9714 Cunningham Road, explained they want

to annex to the Village. They are contiguous. They are improving the property by planting trees, etc. to make it more environmentally favorable.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. A motion was made by MR. ACKERMAN, seconded by MR. GRAHAM to accept the minutes of the November 5, 2025 meeting as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.

8. DISCUSSION

a. The Board discussed and agreed a resolution should be drafted opposing HB 3266 regarding TIF District Prevailing Wage legislation.

b. The Board discussed the annexation agreement for 9714 Cunningham Road. Mr. ACKERMAN noted the 2007 Comprehensive Plan included the need to expand our borders with limited agriculture (no animals) zoning. The Zoning Board voted 2 in favor and 2 opposed to the limited agriculture zoning. The Public was invited to the hearing on this question and no one attended or sent a written concern. This annexation would make no new burden to Public Works. There will be a Public Hearing December 17, 2025 at 5:55 PM about this annexation. During the Regular meeting, the Board will vote on the zoning and annexation.

c. The Lexipol Update will remain open for the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

d. The Tax Levy Ordinance for 2025 was explained and will be voted on at the December 3, 2025 Board Meeting.

e. The budget for 2026 was discussed and will now be reviewed with Department Heads and Treasurer. Approval will be in the first quarter of the year. President Eubank thanked Mr. Dienberg and staff for their great work.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION –

a. A motion was made by MR. LEFEVRE, seconded by MR. ACKERMAN to go into Executive (Closed)

Session to discuss employment, compensation, and evaluation of employees pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1)) at 7:33 PM with the four Trustees, the President, the Clerk, Village Attorney Mary Gaziano, and Village Administrator Joey Dienberg present.

Motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote of those present.

The Board returned to the Committee of the Whole at 8:34PM with the same four Board members present.

10. NEW BUSINESS – No new business.

11. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by MR. KIM, seconded by MR. ACKERMAN to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.

UNAPPROVED

Sally Jo Huggins, Village Clerk