

# May 20, 2025

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The regular monthly meeting was called to order by President Gene Radder at 6:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Prayer was said by Radder.

Roll: Gene Radder, Rich Galien, Dan Gintner, Bob Schnell, Scott Stebnitz, Dan Stephani, and John Thews

Also present: Rebecca Abrams, Al Bonfigt, Chris Schaller, Dick Isley – Kiel Ambulance, Paul Thiebault – Kiel Ambulance, Jesse Berndt, and Ashley Atkinson

Minutes of the April 15, 2025, Regular Board Meeting were approved as presented and minutes of the April 28, 2025, Park Commission were accepted into the record. The motion was made by Stebnitz, seconded by Stephani. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gintner, seconded by Thews to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented and to pay Checks #22243 - #22277; #22500 and electronic payments in the amount of \$182,961.84. Motion carried.

There was no public input.

Dick Isley gave a brief overview of Kiel Ambulance services for 2024. Kiel Ambulance had 689 total calls for 2024. The village accounted for approximately 10% of those calls with the majority being non-emergent calls. Kiel Ambulance now has an EMS chase vehicle which is used when both ambulances are out on a call. This chase vehicle can go to the scene and begin rendering aid until an ambulance is available. The audit is still being completed but is looking positive. With the current long lead times, a new ambulance has been ordered for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2028.

The board spoke with the current occupant of the WDF property. Jesse asked if it would be a satisfactory resolution to make payments on the loan. Because there was not a will at the time of his grandfather's death, the board encouraged Jesse and Ashley to get an estate lawyer and settle the estate. If Jesse has an attorney of record, the village would be open to setting up a meeting with the WDF state representative to request time for the estate to be settled and the loan to be paid off.

The board reviewed the survey received by Eric Mueller for the parking lot sale. A motion was made by Stephani, seconded by Schnell to accept the survey and proceed with the sale of the lot. Once all legal paperwork is received the village attorney will review and the board will make a final decision.

A motion was made by Schnell, seconded by Thews to approve the Conditional Use Permit for the United Ministries Campground and Thrift Store. Motion Carried.

The board discussed changes to the open burning ordinance. The finance committee will review several ordinances and prepare recommended changes for the board's consideration.

The board reviewed an email from SEH regarding funding for the repainting of the Standpipe. It is SEH's recommendation that the village wait until after the standpipe is inspected again to determine if the

project requires blasting and painting or simply overcoating. Projects needing overcoating have not been eligible for the DNR's Safe Drinking Water Loan.

The board discussed road resurfacing and whether water/sewer line replacement should be included in the quotes for repairs on S 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, E Birch Street and a portion of S 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The board agreed that because the lines were in good condition when S 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue was redone, it is likely that replacement would not be necessary on S 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue at this time.

The board discussed the cybersecurity grant offered by the State of WI. A motion was made by Thews, seconded by Stephani, to accept the contract from CV3 for the village's IT service needs.

The Finance Committee will meet on June 3, 2025, at 5:15 PM to discuss updates to several village ordinances.

The board discussed the sale of the old pressure washer. Chris will list the price as \$750 but is able to negotiate a fair price. A whiteboard was placed in the village office for the board to add projects they would like to see take place in the village and staff can then keep the board up to date on the progress of these projects. To date, the village has received one (1) application for the open public works position.

Chief Bonfigt reported that he will be looking into a COPS grant. He also stated that the department will receive a shipment of NARCAN this week free of charge. Officer Baldwin met with 2 residents and the village president regarding some code violations on their properties. Officer Baldwin will continue to monitor these violations.

Correspondence was from Nail Nippers asking for us to place their business on the village's Website's community page. The board discussed this request and only non-profits located within the village will be placed on the Website.

A motion was made by Schnell, seconded by Stephani to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

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Gene Radder, Village President

Rebecca J Abrams, Clerk-Treasurer