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## August 2023 Village News

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## Villagewide Garage Sales

*Friday, Sept. 15*  
*Saturday, Sept. 16*  
*Sunday, Sept. 17*



### **AUGUST 29<sup>TH</sup> STREET SWEEPING**

Please remove all vehicle(s) from the street before 5 am.



### **Water Leaks in your home**

Did you receive an abnormally high-water bill? Do you keep hearing water running and you can't put your finger on it? If the answer to either one of these questions is yes, then you might have a water leak.

Step 1 – Make sure all your faucets are off – remember to check the ones outside as well.

Step 2 – Find your water meter. It is usually in the laundry room or utility closet. Check close to the hot water tank if you are having problems locating it.

Step 3 – With all known sources of water off, does your meter show that water is being used. You might want to write the number down and then come back in 15-30 minutes without using any water and see if it has changed. If it has, your leak probably has gone up.

Step 4 – Start to look for your leak. The most common water leak is due to the toilet. The second most common leak is faucets.

To calculate the water loss or for more information - go to <http://www.awwa.org/> or their [drip calculator](#)

**Drip Calculator** <http://www.awwa.org/resources-tools/public-affairs/public-information/dripcalculator.aspx>

## Did you know ...

Your water can become contaminated if connections to your plumbing system are not properly protected!

The purpose of the local Cross-Connection Control Program, as required by State Plumbing Code and Regulations, is to ensure that everyone in the community has safe, clean drinking water.

## Public Health & Safety....

To avoid contamination, backflow preventers are required by state plumbing codes wherever there is an actual or potential hazard for a cross-connection. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources requires all public water suppliers to maintain an on-going Cross-Connection Control Program involving public education, onsite inspections, and possible corrective actions by building owners if required.

## More Information

WI Department of Commerce

[www.commerce.state.wi.us/](http://www.commerce.state.wi.us/)

WI Department of Natural Resources

[www.dnr.wi.gov](http://www.dnr.wi.gov)

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

[www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov)

Cross-Connection Control / Backflow Prevention

[www.hydrodesignsinc.com/wiccc.html](http://www.hydrodesignsinc.com/wiccc.html)

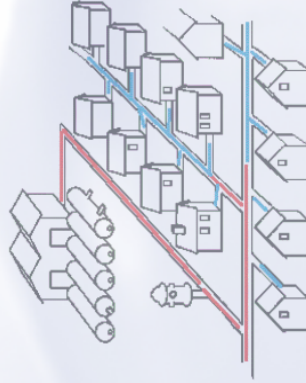


## Drinking Water Information



# Residential Water User Cross-Connection Hazards

## Bathrooms & Kitchens



We're All Connected.....

Maintaining the integrity of your public drinking water system.



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## Insights to protect your drinking water

### Do...

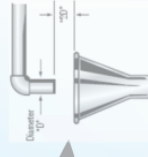
- Keep the ends of hoses clear of all possible contaminants.
- Make sure dishwashers are installed with a proper "air gap" device.
- Verify and install a simple hose bibb vacuum breaker on all threaded faucets around your home.
- Make sure water treatment devices such as water softeners have the proper "air gap", which is a minimum of one inch above any drain.



### Hose bibb Vacuum Breaker

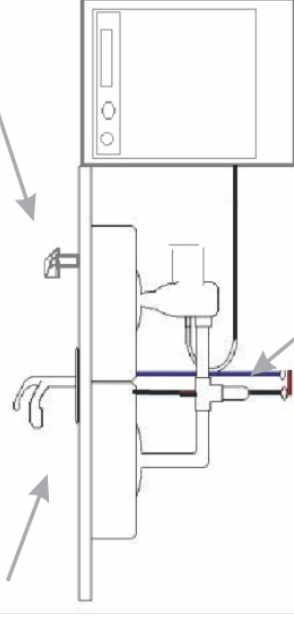
### Don't...

- Submerge hoses in buckets, pools, tubs, sinks or ponds.
- Use spray attachments without a backflow prevention device.
- Connect waste pipes from water softeners or other treatment systems directly to the sewer or submerged drain pipe. Always be sure there is a one inch "air gap" separation.



### Air Gap

### In the Kitchen



Hoses and water treatment devices may create a potential backflow hazard if not properly isolated with backflow prevention methods.

## What is a Cross-Connection?

A cross-connection is an actual or potential connection between the safe drinking water (potable) supply and a source of contamination or pollution. State plumbing codes require approved backflow prevention methods to be installed at every point of potable water connection and use. Cross-Connections must be properly protected or eliminated.

## How does contamination occur?

When you turn on your faucet, you expect the water to be as safe as when it left the treatment plant. However, certain hydraulic conditions left unprotected within your plumbing system may allow hazardous substances to contaminate your own drinking water or even the public water supply.

Water normally flows in one direction. However, under certain conditions, water can actually flow backwards; this is known as Backflow. There are two situations that can cause water to flow backward: back siphonage and backpressure.

## Backsiphonage

May occur due to a loss of pressure in the municipal water system during a fire fighting emergency, a water main break or system repair. This creates a siphon in your plumbing system which can draw water out of a sink or bucket and back into your water or the public water system.

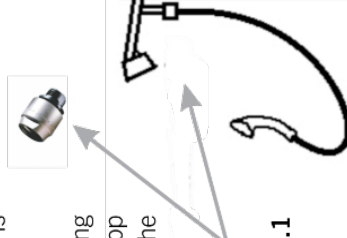
## Backpressure

May be created when a source of pressure (such as a boiler) creates a pressure greater than the pressure supplied from the public water system. This may cause contaminated water to be pushed into your plumbing system through an unprotected cross-connection.

## In the Bathroom - Hand Held Shower Fixture

The hand held shower fixture is compliant if:

- When shower head is hanging freely, it is at least 1" above top of the flood level rim of the receptor (tub)
- Complies with **ASSE#1014**
- Has the **ASME code 112.18.1** stamped on the handle



1" Minimum AIR GAP Above Tub From Fixture Outlet

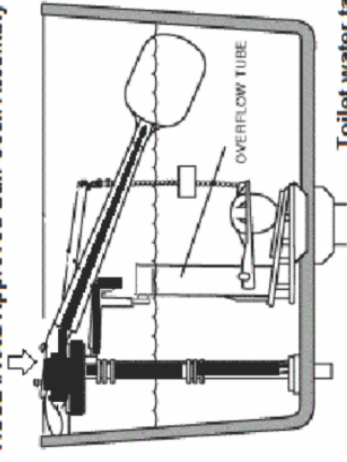
Bath Tub

## In the Bathroom - Toilet Tanks

There are many unapproved toilet tank fill valve products sold at common retailers which do not meet the state plumbing code requirements for backflow prevention.

- Look for the **ASSE #1002** Standard symbol on the device and packaging
- Replace any unapproved devices with an **ASSE #1002** approved anti siphon ball-cock assembly. Average cost is typically \$12 to \$22 at home improvement stores
- Verify overflow tube is one inch below critical level (CL) marking on the device

### ASSE #1002 Approved Ball Cock Assembly



Toilet water tank

BE SURE TO JOIN US  
FOR FOOD TRUCK TUESDAY:  
MAY 16TH, JUNE 20TH, JULY 18TH,  
AUGUST 15TH & SEPTEMBER 19TH  
5PM-8PM  
BROOKLYN LEGION PARK



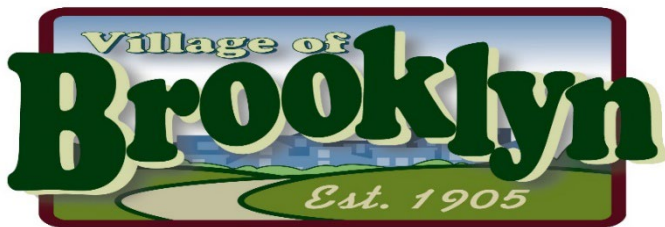
Brooklyn Recreation Committee  
is part of The Village of Brooklyn  
PO Box 189, 210 Commercial Street,  
Brooklyn, WI 53521

www.brooklynwi.gov  
www.brooklynrecreation.org  
www.Facebook.com/BrooklynRecWI  
www.Twitter.com/BrooklynRecWI

**Scheduled Participants (always subject to change):**

Eat at Joe's, Jolly Frog, Sugar River Bistro, Sista's Chicken and Fish, Jakarta Café, The Grilling N Chilling Shack, Ice Cream Truck, Local 4-H

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## FOOD TRUCK SURVEY

Scan the QR code or  
use the link to complete.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PDBMFGZ>





# Get Fit Class Schedule

Monday - 6:00pm  
PIYO

Wednesday night - 6:00pm  
Yoga Slow Flow

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Save the date for  
our Annual  
**Fall Arts & Crafts Fair**  
Saturday, September 2nd  
9:00am - 3:00pm  
Brooklyn Community Building  
Still accepting Vendor/Crafter registrations

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## COMMUNITY POTLUCK

Thursday, August 24

At Noon

Brooklyn Methodist Church

Everyone - all ages are welcome.

Bring a dish to pass.

Table service and beverages are provided.

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The Clerk's Office will be closed Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> thru 25<sup>th</sup>.  
for training.

The Clerk's Office & Public Works Department will be closed on Monday,  
September 4<sup>th</sup> in recognition of Labor Day.  
We will re-open on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>.

# August 2023 News from Your Senior Center

By Rachel Brickner

As a society we are suffering from an epidemic of loneliness. There are many theories about why this is happening, but whatever the cause, the effects are real and measurable.

Loneliness has a real impact on our well-being. Being lonely is worse for a person's health than being obese. It has the same impact on health as smoking 15 cigarettes a day. Loneliness doubles a person's risk of dementia and increases the risk for heart disease and depression. Lonely people are hospitalized more frequently and for longer periods of time. Loneliness shortens people's lives.

The Senior Center offers a range of opportunities and activities designed to ameliorate loneliness. There are a number of possibilities to suit a variety of social styles. Coming to the Senior Center (or Ziggy's on Thursdays) for a meal is an obvious way to socialize. Playing cards, dominoes or pool can achieve the same result.

People don't always think of attending an exercise class as a social opportunity, but our exercise class participants find they benefit physically and socially from attending a class.

Movies, entertainment, and educational programs all have at least a limited opportunity for small talk, which can help reduce people's perceptions of loneliness.

Volunteering offers another opportunity to decrease feelings of loneliness. Volunteering at the Senior Center takes many forms. Volunteers fill a variety of roles—from preparing Newsletters for mailing to packaging meals for delivery. Volunteers answer the phones and take people to appointments. They deliver meals to people's homes and keep the gift shop stocked.

If you know someone who might be lonely, reach out to them. If you are lonely, try taking steps to improve that situation. Your health deserves that investment.

Call us at the Senior Center if you would like any ideas about how you might work on reducing the loneliness in your life: 608-835-5801.

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**HELP US IMPROVE!**  
WE NEED INPUT FROM COMMUNITY  
MEMBERS WHO DO NOT CURRENTLY USE  
THE SENIOR CENTER

**PLEASE TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO COMPLETE  
THE SURVEY USING THE LINK PROVIDED**

**PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ENTERED INTO A  
DRAWING FOR CHAMBER BUCKS!**

Deadline to submit is November 1, 2023

<https://forms.gle/H9QpYn1wnBnyJQCm8>

# Village of Brooklyn Dumpster Days -Residents Only

**\*\*Be prepared to show proof of residency. \*\***

**Unloading of items will be your responsibility.**

Friday – 9/15 – 2 pm – 7 pm

Saturday – 9/16 – Noon – 5 pm

Sunday – 9/17 – 10 am – 2 pm

## **THESE ITEMS ARE NOT ALLOWED:**

- ROOFING SHINGLES
- CONCRETE OR STONE
- GRASS/WEEDS/BRUSH/LEAVES
- FLUORESCENT BULBS & FIXTURES
- RECYCLABLES (CARDBOARD OR BOXES) PLASTICS/GLASS/TIN CANS/BOTTLES
- 55 GALLON BARRELS/DRUMS
- PAINT
- ELECTRONICS/COMPUTERS/TV'S
- HAZARDOUS/INFECTIOUS MATERIALS OR THEIR CONTAINERS
- \*\* OIL, BATTERIES, TIRES, APPLIANCES

**\*\* NOTE:** Oil & batteries can be brought in and placed in a separate area. No Freon or hazardous containing appliances (refrigerators, ac units, etc.) microwaves or dehumidifiers. Other appliances can be placed in the recycling dumpster. If questions, contact Public Works at 608-455-1842.

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## **Tire Pickup**

**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month**

**\$10/tire**

**Contact Clerk's Office**

**608-455-4201**

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## **Brush Pickup – 2nd Tuesday of each month**

Please place brush in the terrace, parallel to the curb, and in separate piles. Be sure to stay away from any electrical/telephone equipment. All cut ends need to be placed in the same direction.



# Brooklyn Labor Day



# TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL

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## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd BROOKLYN LEGION PARK

**FREE ADMISSION & PARKING**

15 minutes south of Madison off Hwy 14

**BEER & FOOD TENT - ALL 3 DAYS**  
Absolutely No Carry in Beverage or Food

### Friday, Sept. 1st

- 6:00pm - Steak Sandwiches - Oregon/Brooklyn VFW
  - 6:00pm - CATP Antique Tractor Pull [Tractorpullers.org](http://Tractorpullers.org)
  - 6:00pm - Bean Bag Tournament
- (See Website For Pre-Registration)

### Saturday, Sept. 2nd

- 10:00am - PULLS START
  - Farm Tractor & Amateur 4wd Truck Pull
  - P.I. Motorsports - ProFarm, Super Farm & Hot Farm
  - 2.5 Diesel P.I. Motorsports
  - Southwest Pullers
  - Street Semi/Outlaw Semi
- 12:00pm - Kids Pedal Tractor Pulls
  - JDRF Big & Small Block Classes (Proceeds to JDRF)
- 9:00am-3:00pm - Fall Arts & Craft Fair at the Brooklyn Community Building
- 7:30pm-11:30pm - Music By: The Blue Smoothies

### Sunday, Sept. 3rd

- 8:00am-10:30am - Pancake Breakfast
  - Sponsored By Lakeridge Bank
  - Featuring "Uncle Pancake LLC"
- 10:00am - PULLS START
  - Farm Tractor & Amateur 4wd Truck Pull
  - Super Stock Trucks
  - Hot Open Diesel Class & Altered Diesel Trucks
  - Badger Truck
  - Southwest Pullers
  - South Central Wis. Tractor Pullers (All Classes)
  - Semi
- 12:00pm - Kids Pedal Tractor Pulls
- 7:30pm-11:30pm - Music By: Super Tuesday



## MUSIC FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st 2023 @ BROOKLYN LEGION PARK

6PM-6:45PM

SHAUN P'N BAND

7PM-7:45PM

MASON MEYER AND THE STOLEN SPIRIT BAND

8PM-9:30PM

McCOMBS ROAD

10PM-11:30PM

THE RAMBLE

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# SWINGING FOR HEALTH CARD PARTY

TO BENEFIT STOUGHTON HEALTH

SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2023  
MONDAY 3:00PM

THE LEGEND  
AT BERGAMONT  
699 BERGAMONT BLVD  
OREGON, WI 53575

BRIDGE OR EUCHER  
\$30 PER PLAYER

-DINNER INCLUDED-

INTERESTED IN  
PLAYING?

CALL US AT  
(608)873-2334  
OR  
GO ONLINE TO  
SIGN UP

SCAN  
HERE



# Love Golfing? Join Us!

19TH ANNUAL

## SWINGING FOR HEALTH

GOLF OUTING AND CARD PARTY  
TO BENEFIT STOUGHTON HEALTH

MONDAY  
SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2023

AT THE LEGEND OF BERGAMONT

REGISTRATION  
11:00 AM-12:00PM

GOLF START  
12:30 PM

CARD PARTY  
3:00 PM

SCAN HERE  
TO REGISTER OR  
GO TO  
STOUGHTONHEALTH.COM



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Help us get internet to  
**YOUR**  
home or business



Green County is working hard to deploy high-speed internet throughout the region. We need all residents, property, and business owners to participate in this questionnaire to understand the availability and quality of internet in Green County.

**Every response will better inform broadband planning across the State.**

**If you have internet from your home or business:**

Please take the broadband survey and speed test online from your home internet connection at:



**[tinyurl.com/WISER2023](https://tinyurl.com/WISER2023)**

**If you do not have internet OR if you only have cellular access:**

Please call to take the questionnaire via phone:

**608-261-6026**



Ayúdenos a traer  
internet a **SU** casa o  
empresa



Green County está trabajando arduamente para implementar Internet de alta velocidad en toda la región. Necesitamos que todos los residentes, dueños de propiedades y empresas participen en este cuestionario para comprender la disponibilidad y la calidad de Internet en Green County.

**Cada respuesta informará mejor la planificación de Internet de alta velocidad en todo Wisconsin.**

**Si tiene internet desde su casa o empresa:**

Por favor participe en este cuestionario de banda ancha y en una prueba de velocidad desde la conexión al Internet de su ubicación en:



**[tinyurl.com/WISER2023](https://tinyurl.com/WISER2023)**

**Si no tiene acceso a internet O si sólo tiene acceso celular:**

Por favor llame para completar este cuestionario por teléfono:

**608-261-6026**

# FREE OVERDOSE & NARCAN TRAINING

ONLINE VIA ZOOM

**PICK YOUR DATE!**

**AUGUST 15**

**6:30PM -**

**OCTOBER 23**

**7:30PM**

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[OregonAreaCares.org](http://OregonAreaCares.org)



COMPLETE THE  
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RECEIVE  
**FREE  
NARCAN**

## LEARN

- Risk factors for an overdose
- Recognizing an overdose
- Responding to an overdose



## REGISTER NOW

Complete the online form to receive an email with a link for the class you select

Can't Scan?

<https://forms.gle/oS2g1NwEUeKycv62A>

Need help registering? [OregonCares53575@gmail.com](mailto:OregonCares53575@gmail.com)

**Brooklyn Village Board Meeting Minutes**  
**July 10, 2023**

The July 10, 2023, Village Board meeting of the Village of Brooklyn was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall by President Mark Bruner. Trustees present were Michael Gehrmann, Chris Groenier, Dan Olson, Janeen Podgorski and Mike Brusberg. Trustee David Berland was not present. Also present was Clerk-Treasurer Linda Kuhlman. Pledge of Allegiance. No public comments.

**Podgorski made a motion to approve the minutes from June 26, 2023, with the correction of changing start time to 6:30 p.m.** Groenier seconded. Brusberg abstained. Motion carried.

**President's report** – there was an article in the Wisconsin State Journal from Emilie Heidemann about Brooklyn. He thanked Emilie.

Brusberg had a question on the movie license. We've been on a pause with recreation, do we want to wait to renew until we see what Recreation Committee is going to do. Kuhlman stated she doesn't know what would be involved to renew later. Olson reviewed the bills. **Brusberg made a motion to approve the bills as presented.** Olson seconded. Motion carried.

**Special Event application for Anchor Club II** – Kuhlman explained this is the same event they did last year. Olson said question one asks, does this require street to be closed. They are closing the public thoroughfare, the alleyway, so they should have marked yes. Also does the event require additional security, they marked no. We had some issues last year but nothing major. He suggested they have someone that can work as a bouncer and make sure alcohol isn't being handed over the fence. The board asked if Grumke had comments. Grumke said if they can have someone in the area because of the issue with the kids last year. Gehrmann said they should provide proof of insurance. Kuhlman will get that from them. Olson suggested postponing approval until we have all the proper documents. Gehrmann said it would make sense to wait. He doesn't see an issue, but we want to have the liability insurance. Olson would like to see the comments section filled out. Public Works never signed off on the application and neither did the police department. Olson said to send it back to them and get it filled out with what they need. The board needs to see proof of liability insurance, fix question 1, signatures from PW, police, and fire. Podgorski asked a question about the neighbors; are they aware of the event and okay with it happening. Kuhlman said they usually talk to the neighbors. **Olson made a motion to postpone the application for the special event permit for the Anchor Club II until proper proof of insurance, comments and signatures from PW and police and correction of question number 1, does the event require street to be closed, and yes, they're closing a public thoroughfare.** Groenier seconded. Motion carried. **Podgorski made a motion to postpone the amplification permit for Anchor Club II.** Gehrmann seconded. **Podgorski made a motion to postpone the Anchor Club II alcohol license approval for August 26-27.** Gehrmann seconded. Motion carried.

**Brusberg made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-08, Petition for Direct Annexation by Unanimous Approval.** Olson seconded. Motion carried. Kuhlman said we received approval from the state. **Brusberg made a motion to adopt Ordinance 1-16(c), Annexation of Territory into the Village of Brooklyn.** Groenier seconded. Motion carried.

**Clerk's report** – Financial reports were handed out. For the month of June, we had total deposits of \$108,191.95 and total withdrawals of \$164,568.88, which included a loan payment of \$13,697. So, the balance at end of June was \$1,946,872.89. Gehrmann asks if there will be big months of expenses. Kuhlman said generally expenses in February and January are tax settlements, and in April and October there are debt payments to the state so that's a bigger expense for the clean water fund loans. Otherwise, it's pretty consistent, unless there is a big expenses out of the ordinary. Every quarter we pay fire and EMS budget payments. Gehrmann asked if there's any amount that needs to be kept in the account. Kuhlman said there's no mandatory balance. The balance is the total for all the accounts the village has. The checking account is a sweep account. She wants to start exploring places to split

some of the funds, because the two banks have now merged. We have over \$500,000 in the sewer equipment fund that isn't used often, so it would be good to put that into a different investment account. Discussion on investing funds and keeping 30% in the undesignated funds for emergencies. The individual fund accounts will vary month to month. In August when we get the final tax payment for the year, Kuhlman said she distributes the taxes to the different funds, so those balances will change. We received the dividend from the League of Wisconsin Mutual Insurance Company. We have been getting one annually, and it's based on the funds they have available at the end of the year. O&A closing was to be last Friday, but owners have been out of town, and when they looked at documents, they had some questions. So, it will be postponed. Our share of the state extra shared revenue will be \$55,615 in 2024 and year after is projected to be \$56,907. Bruner asked about losing from personal property tax. Kuhlman said it's her understanding we'll get aid for that, but she doesn't know how much.

**Fire/EMS** – Brusberg reported there were 27 total incidents for fire and EMS in May; 10 in the village. EMS runs were roughly 21. May had 48 out of service hours and April had 166. They're still watching it. Total year to date is 410 out of service. Olson asked if they lost the LTEs in April. Brusberg said they're happy with AEMT work. Gehrman asked when most of the hours are out of service. Brusberg said it varies, but a lot of weekends. They welcomed two new members in May. A lot of certifications were achieved. Nothing concerning in the budget. Watching run revenue on the EMS because Oregon is staffing two ambulances now. We will have to watch that for next year's budget. It could be a deviation from \$5,000-10,000. Service license is renewed on EMS. Driveway standards had a lot of discussion because of what took place in Evansville with a truck running into some issues and damage. Driveway clearance should be 14' tall and 6' additional on each side for private road driveways. It's a bigger concern for the towns. 26' wide clearance is what is needed. Gehrman asked how do they do it after it's built. Brusberg said trim trees, bushes, etc. Olson said the fire department reviews it. The fire department asks that they keep it open. Retirement benefits were discussed, and there's some paperwork for the board to review. What is here is the clause in the district agreement. Instead of having the \$2,000 retirement CD coming out of the budget, that would stop and they would start to draw down the CD balance. Using interest and principal, \$100 would go to every retiree who meets criteria. Active members who stay active until retirement are eligible. If they join after 2023, they won't be. They are going to think what merit needs to be achieved, and if members meet that, they will have an additional \$250 deposited in their SAP account. \$5,000 of the CD will be set aside to cover funeral-related expenses like flowers or provide a monetary donation to the meal. There will be a protocol written and Brusberg will do the initial draft, which will be put in place. Any use of that fund will require a vote of the board. Rutland has the same representative on the commission, but Union has a new rep. Brusberg asked if there's any concern about the changes. Gehrman asked about other communities. Brusberg said others are still working on it.

**Gehrman made a motion at 7:03 p.m. to convene into closed session.** Groenier seconded. Ayes – Podgorski, Brusberg, Gehrman, Bruner, Olson, and Groenier. Noes – none. **Groenier made a motion at 7:23 p.m. to reconvene into open session.** Olson seconded. Ayes – Podgorski, Brusberg, Gehrman, Bruner, Olson, and Groenier. Noes – none. Bruner stated there was no action from the closed session.

**Groenier made a motion at 7:23 p.m. to adjourn.** Podgorski seconded. Motion carried.

Linda Kuhlman, WCMC, CMTW  
Clerk-Treasurer

**Brooklyn Village Board Meeting Minutes**  
**July 24, 2023**

The July 24, 2023, Village Board meeting of the Village of Brooklyn was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall by President Mark Bruner. Trustees present were Michael Gehrmann, Dan Olson, David Berland and Mike Brusberg. Trustees Janeen Podgorski and Chris Groenier were not present. Also present were Greg Johnson from Ehlers, Shirley Pernot, Brendan McGrath, Sean McGrath, Deputy Merrick Grumke and Clerk-Treasurer Linda Kuhlman. Pledge of Allegiance. No public comments.

**Greg Johnson from Ehlers gave an overview of the TID 2 project, the Business Park.** We are asking to amend the project plan to add future costs. He explained the original costs in the project plan in 2013 had \$2.4 million in project costs and the village has expended that already to the amount of about \$2.7 million. Since we've expended the original costs, we need to amend the plan to include future costs of just under \$2.6 million. By amending the plan, these costs can be TID eligible, but it doesn't commit the village to do all the projects. That requires separate village board approval. He showed the map of the proposed projects, including a couple outside of the TID boundary that fall within ½ mile radius and are eligible to be TID expenses, as long as they are identified in the plan. Johnson went through the financial analysis summary. There needs to be incremental value and land sales to support these costs. Earlier today the Joint Review Board approved two extensions for the TID to remain open an additional 6 years to collect increment, because the village wouldn't have recovered costs without those additional years. Johnson presented the assumptions and projections of development values. He discussed the tax increment projection worksheet and showed a graph of why the extension was requested. If we left the TID at the original ending date of 2033, the district would have a deficit of \$487,000. If there is a deficit, the village is solely responsible for that deficit. He showed the cash flow projections with the extensions and explained the projections through the TID life to 2039 and increment that will likely be received. This increases the likelihood of TID increment covering expenses. We have estimated about \$8.5 million of value over the next few years to generate increment. The Joint Review Board approved the extension requests. The Planning & Zoning Commission met earlier and approved the resolution for the project plan amendment. Now there's a resolution for the Village Board to approve. If approved, it will go back to the Joint Review Board for final approval. If they approve, it goes to the state. The project plan amendment makes costs TID eligible. The board had no questions. Bruner stated there is a typo in the second paragraph of the resolution. It reads 2023 and should read 2013. **Brusberg made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-12 to approve the project plan amendment denoting the correction to January 14, 2013 in the second paragraph.** Olson seconded. Motion carried.

Bruner would like to change the agenda and move the closed session up to now. **Olson made a motion at 6:44 p.m. to go into closed session.** Gehrmann seconded. Ayes – Berland, Gehrmann, Brusberg, Bruner, and Olson. Noes – none. Motion carried. **Gehrman made a motion at 7:19 to reconvene to open session.** Berland seconded. Ayes – Berland, Gehrmann, Brusberg, Bruner, and Olson. Noes – none. Motion carried.

**Olson made a motion to postpone approval of minutes for July 10.** Brusberg seconded. Motion carried.

**No president's report.** Kuhlman stated she added the Alliant bill. We just received it and it's due before the next board meeting. Olson, Brusberg and Berland reviewed bills and didn't see any issues. **Olson made a motion to approve bills as presented and add in Alliant bill of \$3830.15.** Brusberg seconded. Motion carried.

Bruner stated when the bank moves out we need to look into **security**. Bruner talked about possible card access for exterior. Board talked about possibilities for a camera and buzzer system for the village hall.

**Berland made a motion at 7:24 p.m. to return to closed session.** Brusberg seconded. Ayes – Berland, Gehrmann, Brusberg, Bruner, and Olson. Noes – none. Motion carried. **Olson made a motion at 7:29 p.m. to reconvene to open session.** Berland seconded. Ayes – Berland, Gehrmann, Brusberg, Bruner, and Olson. Noes – none. Motion

carried. **Brusberg made a motion to approve what was discussed in open session.** Olson seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion on the **squad** that was ordered at the end of last year through Dane County Sheriff's Department. It's still on the order, but there's a possibility of cancellation and no date for when it will be made. Grumke said the current squad is running okay. The biggest value of leasing from Dane County is if the squad was to go down and not be in service, they have a replacement from the fleet to allow us to have a vehicle. Olson suggested we review with Captain Porter at the August meeting in case something changes. Can we do a reorder for 2024 and revisit for delivery in 2025. This will have an impact on the budget.

Bruner explained the **Brooklyn Elementary School is looking for a Memorandum of Understanding between the Oregon School District and the Village** to allow the kids to use the Village Hall and/or Community Building as a reunification location in case of emergency at the school. Kuhlman explained that the agreement should be changed to be between the school district and the village, not the locations, and that the locations should be specified in the document, and also there is a typo of an extra "a" in one of the paragraphs. **Berland made a motion to approve the MOU between the school and village with changes identified, specifically agreement should be between school and village and the address of the two buildings should be listed and eliminating the extra "a".** Brusberg seconded. Motion carried.

**Brusberg made a motion to approve the application for the temporary alcohol license for Brooklyn Sno-Hornets and Oregon Sno-Blazers for Labor Day weekend with the adjustment of the correct address for Legion Park.** Olson seconded. Motion carried. **Olson made a motion to approve the temporary operator licenses for Labor Day weekend for Todd Froelich and Trenton Diehl.** Brusberg seconded. Motion carried.

Kuhlman stated the Anchor Club II application is filled out and they turned in their insurance documentation. **Brusberg made a motion to approve special event application for Anchor Club II for August 26-27.** Olson seconded. Motion carried. **Brusberg made a motion to approve amplification permit application for Anchor Club II for August 26.** Gehrman seconded. Motion carried. **Brusberg made a motion to amend the Anchor Club II alcohol license for August 26 and 27.** Berland seconded. Motion carried.

Public Works will be **picking up the new F250 truck tomorrow.** Kuhlman stated she would like to have the board specify where the funds are coming from to pay. We have about \$36,500 in the general fund from balance left over from last year and budgeted this year, and the remaining can be split between water equipment fund and sewer equipment fund. **Brusberg made a motion that the funding for the F250 comes from \$36,500 from general fund balance, \$11,250 from water equipment fund and \$11,250 from sewer equipment fund, and upon sale of the existing truck, those proceeds will go proportionately into water, sewer, and general fund.** Berland seconded. Motion carried.

**Clerk's report** – We have two outstanding **TID 1 agreements.** Both agreements were to start projects in mid-July. Kuhlman contacted both places and hasn't heard from one so it has expired. The other has changed their plans slightly but will still continue with building upgrades and has turned in signed contracts. They have until the end of the year. After 30% of expenses are spent in the TID, we need to do a TID audit, so one is due for TID 2. TID 1 should be able to close next year because it will be in the positive with no additional outstanding expenses. We have about \$12,000 left for design work from Strand on Hotel Street. Once a TID closes, the remaining funds will be disbursed between the taxing authorities. The house on **Railroad Street** will be taken down on July 31. Green County Sheriff's Department will come on July 28 and remove the resident, if needed, and a company will see if any valuables need to be saved, and then PW will board up the doors and windows. Alliant has been contacted to disconnect the electrical, and PW will shut off water. Humane Society will be contacted if there are any animals left. Last week Kuhlman did her **treasurer completion** year for the clerk and treasurer institute. It's all by webinar. It was a lot of repeat information, and they went through audits and items needed for audits, talked about TIFs. The training reinforces we're doing things correctly. Wednesday night is the joint municipality meeting for **the**



**Senior Center** at 6:30 at the Oregon Village Hall. They asked us to come, even though we're not a part of the contract. It's a preliminary meeting. They have their final budget meeting September 27. Updates from Senior Center are in packet. The **Joint Fire/EMS joint municipality meeting** is Tuesday, September 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the fire department. We need to have a quorum of the board.

**Planning & Zoning Commission – Brusberg made a motion to approve the conditional use permit for Michael Gehrman at 228 Church Street with the stipulation that it can't be used for rental, and it will be used for man cave, art studio or home office.** Olson seconded. Motion carried. Gehrman abstained.

**Fire/EMS District Commission –** Brusberg reported the joint municipality meeting will be September 26 at 6:30. The next fire/EMS district meeting will be on August 23. There were 18 requests for emergency responses; 15 EMS and 3 fire only. They gave a report of training. Average unit notified to in route is less than 3 minutes and average in route to arrive at scene is less than 7 minutes. Out of service hours for June was 30. Last month was 48. Year to date is 440. On the income statements the fire wages show zero because for accounting it goes through EMS initially and then a journal entry to go over to fire. Sarah will do a true up in July. Eight total members are participating in WRS. All municipalities are in support of changes to the district agreement, and it will be part of the joint meeting. They postponed making a decision on UW Hospital regarding the Luke Bryan farm tour. They sent Chief Barber with takeaways to talk to the medical director about how many will be needed on site and that needs to be okayed with the farm tour. If all expectations are achieved, they gave him authority to move forward. If any problems, he should bring it back to the board.

**Olson made a motion at 8:07 p.m. to adjourn.** Brusberg seconded. Motion carried.

Linda Kuhlman, WCMC, CMTW  
Clerk-Treasurer

# September

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| Sunday                                                      | Monday                                              | Tuesday                                              | Wednesday                                       | Thursday                                                           | Friday                                                     | Saturday                                                                                   |
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| Exercise Classes held at Brooklyn Community Bldg            | **\$ 10/Tire<br>Contact Clerk's Office 608-455-4201 |                                                      |                                                 |                                                                    | SnoHornets/Sno Blazers Truck & Tractor Pull Legion Park    | SnoHornets/Sno Blazers Truck & Tractor Pull Legion Park<br>Rec Craft Fair – Community Bldg |
| 3                                                           | 4                                                   | 5                                                    | 6                                               | 7                                                                  | 8                                                          | 9                                                                                          |
| SnoHornets/Sno Blazers Truck & Tractor Pull Legion Park     | <b>Clerk's Office &amp; PW Dept Closed</b>          | <b>Tires, Oil &amp; Battery Pick up</b>              | Yoga 6p                                         | <b>Garbage</b><br>Bookmobile – Gazebo 6-730p                       |                                                            |                                                                                            |
| 10                                                          | 11                                                  | 12                                                   | 13                                              | 14                                                                 | 15                                                         | 16                                                                                         |
|                                                             | <b>Village Board Mtg 630p</b><br>PIYO 6p            | Planning & Zoning Meeting 6p<br><b>Brush Pick-up</b> | <b>Garbage &amp; Recycling</b><br>Yoga 6p       | Bookmobile- Gazebo 6-730p                                          | <b>Village Wide Garage Sales Dumpster Days 2 pm – 7 pm</b> | <b>Village Wide Garage Sales Dumpster Days Noon – 5 pm</b>                                 |
| 17                                                          | 18                                                  | 19                                                   | 20                                              | 21                                                                 | 22                                                         | 23                                                                                         |
| <b>Village Wide Garage Sales Dumpster Days 10 am – 2 pm</b> | PIYO 6p                                             | <b>Food Trucks _ Legion Park 5-8p</b>                | <b>Garbage Clerk's Office Closed</b><br>Yoga 6p | <b>Clerk's Office Closed</b><br>Bookmobile - Gazebo 6-730p         | <b>Clerk's Office Closed</b>                               |                                                                                            |
| 24                                                          | 25                                                  | 26                                                   | 27                                              | 28                                                                 | 29                                                         | 30                                                                                         |
|                                                             | <b>Village Board Mtg 630p</b><br>PIYO 6p            |                                                      | <b>Garbage &amp; Recycling</b><br>Yoga 6p       | Community Lunch Methodist Church Noon<br>Bookmobile- Gazebo 6-730p |                                                            |                                                                                            |