



Village of Maine Minutes

Monday, February 24, 2025

Board of Trustees Meeting

Maine Municipal Center

6111 N. 44th Avenue

Wausau, WI 54401

OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Maine will hold a Board meeting at the Maine Municipal Center on Monday, February 24, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Maine Municipal Center, 6111 N. 44th Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401.

AGENDA

1. Call the meeting to order – Betty Hoenisch, Village President
2. 4:00 p.m. - Meet with Mike Bahr from Fire Inspection Services
3. 4:30 p.m. - Meet with Jody Clements from Protective Service Management LLC
4. Dinner Break
5. **General Business**
6. Silence Cell Phones
7. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
8. Audience participation regarding *Other Business Items* limited to three minutes
9. Other Business:
 - A. Discussion and possible action on Fire Department Bylaws amendment ordinance
 - B. Discussion and possible action on Fire Inspection Services contract with Mike Bahr
 - C. Discussion and possible action on Protective Service Management LLC contract with Jody Clements
 - D. Discussion and possible action on 2025 Personnel Policy
 - E. Discussion and possible action on Fire Department training per diem and hourly compensation
 - F. Discussion and possible action on Plan Commission meeting per diem
 - G. Discussion and possible action on Fire Department application process and equipment/gear policy
 - H. Discussion and possible action on Board meeting policy
 - I. Discussion and possible action on Board meeting minutes, approval process and website recordings
10. The next Board of Trustees Meeting will be Monday, March 10, 2025
11. Adjournment

I certify that this agenda was posted at the Brokaw Post Office, Red Granite Bar, Richard's Restaurant & Bar and the Maine Municipal Center located at 6111 N. 44th Avenue, Wausau, WI on February 21, 2025. Agenda was also posted on Maine's website. *Betty Hoenisch*, Village President

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Call the meeting to order – Betty Hoenisch, Village President

President Hoenisch called the meeting to order 4:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

President Hoenisch, Trustee Chad Channel, Trustee Judith Hase, Trustee Jim Kraemer, Trustee Tom Marquardt, Clerk/Treasurer Cindy Bailey, Deputy Clerk Leodith Freyholtz and Attorney Shane VanderWaal.

4:00 p.m. - Meet with Mike Bahr from Fire Inspection Services

The Board and Attorney VanderWaal interviewed Mr. Bahr.

4:30 p.m. - Meet with Jody Clements from Protective Service Management LLC

The Board and Attorney VanderWaal interviewed Mr. Clements.

Dinner Break

General Business

Silence Cell Phones

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Audience participation regarding *Other Business Items* limited to three minutes

Resident Joe Yelle commented on the Personnel Policy copies that were on the table and on the Plan Commission per diem.

Other Business:

Discussion and possible action on Fire Department Bylaws amendment ordinance

Attorney VanderWaal explained that he had made the amendments requested by the Village Board and Fire Department Officers. He read the amendments to 74.2.1; 74.12.3; and 74.5.1. Attorney VanderWaal then read 74.12.16 regarding "Return of all Village Property upon separation" that he added in Section 5.

Lieutenant Marc Babel stated the "Return of all Village Property upon separation" should also be placed in the Emergency Medical Responders and Auxiliary members sections of the Bylaws.

Attorney VanderWaal stated that he would insert the "Return of Village Property" language in the EMR an Auxiliary section of the Bylaws.

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Trustee Channel made a motion to approve an Ordinance Amending Chapter 74 of Maine's code of Ordinances as read by Attorney VanderWaal and with the addition of the "Return of Village Property" being included in the EMR and Auxiliary sections of the Bylaws. Trustee Hase seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on Fire Inspection Services contract with Mike Bahr

Trustee Channel made a motion to approve the Mike Bahr Fire Inspection Services Contract with the Village of Maine. Trustee Hase seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on Protective Service Management LLC contract with Jody Clements

Trustee Channel and Trustee Marquardt stated that they have spoken to Interim Chief candidates and would like to interview them before deciding regarding Mr. Clements.

The Trustees took no action on this item and scheduled a Special Board meeting for March 4, 2025, to interview the candidates.

Discussion and possible action on 2025 Personnel Policy

There was discussion on the options researched regarding the replacement of the Healthcare Subsidy.

No action was taken.

Discussion and possible action on Fire Department training per diem and hourly compensation

This item was discussed at the February 10, 2025 Board Meeting.

Trustee Channel stated that he became a member of the Fire Department to serve his community and because he knows what it is like to have a fire. He explained that he did not become a member of the Fire Department to receive money, and he is abstaining from voting on the motion.

Trustee Marquardt made a motion to increase the Fire Department training per diem to \$40.00. Trustee Kraemer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on Plan Commission meeting per diem

This item was discussed at the February 10, 2025 Board Meeting.

Trustee Kraemer stated that he is on the Plan Commission, and it is not about being paid, but serving the constituents. He stated he would be abstaining from voting on the motion.

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Trustee Channel made a motion to increase the Plan Commission meeting per diem to \$40.00. Trustee Hase seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on Fire Department application process and equipment/gear policy

Attorney VanderWaal stated that he had created an Equipment/Gear return policy form based on the Fire Department Bylaws amendment and as instructed by the Board.

President Hoenisch explained that if approved, the form will need to be signed and submitted with the FD member application. If it is not signed and submitted with the application the candidate will not move forward to the interview process.

Trustee Channel made a motion to approve the Fire Department application process and the Equipment/Gear Policy. Trustee Kraemer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on Board meeting policy

The Board discussed this at the February 10, 2025, Board Meeting. They agreed that no action was needed at this time because a Board Policy was not going to be pursued.

Discussion and possible action on Board meeting minutes, approval process and website recordings

Trustee Hase made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 30, 2025, Special Board Meeting as revised. Trustee Kraemer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Channel made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2025, Board Meeting as revised. Trustee Marquardt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next Board of Trustees Meeting will be Monday, March 10, 2025

Adjournment

Trustee Channel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Trustee Marquardt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved after Trustee revisions on March 24, 2025.

Betty Hoenisch, Village President