The September 21, 2026 meeting of the Village of Oakdale Board of Trustees and Water and Sewer Administration was called to order by Village President Richard Lee (via phone) at 4:30 p.m. Roll Call. Present: Rick Lee by phone, Eric Robarge, Robert Gnewikow, Mary Peterson, and Josh Hubele. Absent: None. Also present: Laura Sagler, Clerk/Treasurer and JoAnn Cram, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer (left at 5:45 p.m.).

Request to Appear Before the Board. None. Reminder of Fall Clean Up on Oct. 3rd.

Approval of August 17, 2026 Board Minutes. Motion by E Robarge, second by M Peterson to approve the August 17, 2026 Village Board minutes. Motion passed without negative vote.

Appointment of Village Board Vice-President. E Robarge nominated Robert Gnewikow for Village Vice-President, second by Mary Peterson. No other nominations. Robert Gnewikow was duly appointed Vice President of the Village Board. Motion passed without negative vote.

Bid Opening for Jay St/Woody Dr LRIP Project and Award Bid. Guidelines and criteria were established for selecting bids. Bids must be received before 4:30 p.m. on September 21st and bids must meet the requirements as stated in the request for proposals. The following bids were received prior to the deadline of Sept. 21st at 4:30 p.m. Only one bid was received which was from Mathy Construction, 920 10th Ave. North, Onalaska, WI. 1. Mathy Construction bid: Contract #1 – The E Woody Dr project starting at Route No. 1 which is CTH PP (Termini), with the offset of 85 feet (after concrete pavement), toward Route: Jay St (Termini), where the section length is 850 ft. The total price is $62,087.33. Contract #2 – The Jay St project starting at Route No. 2 which is E Woody Dr, toward Route; Robin Drive where the section length is 370 ft. The total price is $30,441.64. The total of the two projects is $92,528.97 which is more than the village had budgeted for. An option is to go back to the DOT and request a scope change to adjust to a single contract or we can do both contracts at $92,528.97. At least 50% of the work needs to be done to qualify for the grant. There are options.

Motion by R Gnewikow, second by E Robarge to authorize the Village President to accept the Mathy Construction bid for Contract #2 pending coordination with the county and DOT to do a scope change to include the E Woody and Jay intersection up to the amount grant award money Motion passed without negative vote.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Status of the Village Utilities Within the Vacated East Cougar Including but not Limited to Watermain, Sanitary Sewer and Storm Sewer (Surface and Underground) Infrastructure. Lucasz Lyzwa of General Engineering was present to address this issue at Love's construction site. Lucas is requesting feedback from the Board on this issue. Should we turn everything over to Love's? Sewer and water infrastructure needs to be maintained by the Village. There is an option to turn the storm sewer over to Love's which would be beneficial from one end to the other on Love's property. Love's just added extra drainage that also hooks up to the same storm sewer. Lucas did reach out to the county and asked for the plans when CTH PP was reconstructed. It is possible that part of that water drains back into CTH PP past the hump past the entry for the cars to the store. Lucas wants to verify where it falls with the right of way with the county road vs. right of way with E Cougar. There is storm sewer on both sides of CTH PP. Lucas is including the acknowledgement that it's not necessarily the village's responsibility. The village acknowledges only a sewer main and water main as a transmission line. The hydrants are considered part of the transmission line. However, the side laterals and any other type of connection will be private. Lucas is requesting the village board review the wording on page 7 of 8 (Certified Survey Map) as part of the consolidated map showing the utility easement for the utilities within the right-of-way, and discuss this again at the October Planning Commission meeting for feedback and finalize the language.

Discussion With Smart Sand Regarding Truck Traffic/Sand in Storm Drains in the Village. Jessica Holloway and Grant Miller were present representing the Smart Sand Mine. Smart Sand was requested to appear regarding the construction work that is scheduled to start soon at Love's. There is a meeting scheduled on Sept. 28th regarding dates the street at Love's will be blocked off for the construction project. Contractors want to do the majority of work on E Cougar during overnight hours. Traffic issues may be encountered for Smart Sand truck traffic. The Love's project should extend for 3 weeks. Smart Sand advised they would adjust their schedule and just not truck during the construction period.

The storm drains on County PP are filling with sand and the Village is requesting assistance from Smart Sand with cleaning out the drains. An open conversation is requested to see if the sand mine would have any ability to assist with cleaning the storm drains (approximately 4). Smart Sand mine representative Jessica Holloway advised their trucking occurs approximately only 3-4 days per month. (In June they trucked 6 days for the month and on average were between 50 to 80 truck-loads per day.) Smart Sand does inspections to make sure there aren't any leaks. Discussion held regarding the truck route through the village rather than other options.

Regarding cleaning out the storm drains – Smart Sand requested that the Village research price point – scope of work – and identify if the village is reaching out to any other trucking firm besides Smart Sand? This will be brought back in October.

Review/Updated Draft Job Descriptions. Job descriptions were revised and the second draft was reviewed by the Board. Currently, job descriptions for Village Clerk/Treasurer, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer and PW, Water and Wastewater Operator are before the Board. It was also requested to create job descriptions for the seasonal mowing position and part-time water/wastewater operator.

Motion by M Peterson, second by J Hubele to approve the job descriptions for the Village Clerk/Treasurer, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer and PW, Water and Wastewater Operator positions as presented. Motion passed without negative vote.

Approval of Certified Survey Map – Robert and Karen Gnewikow. The Planning Commission recommended the Village Board approve the Certified Survey Map as presented. The question arose as to the necessity of changing the zoning from business to residential if homes are anticipated to be built on the parcels. GEC Rep Lucasz Lyzwa advised the statutes allow for grandfathering existing parcels that weren't compliant with the current zoning code. The village can bring the parcels into compliance with the village paying for it, or when there is something done like a subdivision, the burden of rezoning falls back on the property owner. Anytime there is a modification to a nonconforming use property, it needs to be reviewed by the Planning Commission and approved by the Board. The Village can require improvement review and approval for all nonconforming use parcels. There should be a policy created requiring rezoning if a resident has a business zoned lot which is residential property and wants to get a building permit, it should go before the Planning Commission for approval or rezoning if appropriate. It would be easier to amend the ordinance regarding residential properties in business zoned areas. If there is a change in the use, the property owner has to comply with the current ordinance.

Motion by E Robarge, second by M Peterson to approve the Certified Survey Map as recommended by the Planning Commission for the Robert and Karen Gnewikow parcels located on Highway 12 & 16 and Tara Dr. Motion passed without negative vote (R Gnewikow abstained from voting).

Water and Sewer Administration Report. A written report was provided by Hunter Davis of the Water & Sewer Dept. Hunter advised the lift station generator sinkhole has been filled in. Hunter was contacted by the contractor at Love's late Friday 9/18/26 that there wasn't enough space to install the lift station grinder pump as proposed. The grinder pump was part of the signed agreement with Love's. Hunter stated that because of the late contact on Friday, he hadn't had the chance to contact our engineers. He did make calls to the DNR, Love's, and made initial contact with suppliers on the cost of a bar screen. Hunter was contacted and he advised that even though they are doing something there, it still goes to the wastewater treatment plant. Hunter advised that in conversation with Love's, they agreed to work with the Village to put in a bar screen manual rake (costs $75,000 to $100,000) which starts small with the ability to upgrade in the future. The DNR rep was contacted. If we add headworks to our treatment plant, it's considered a change and has to go for a plan review at the DNR. The Village needs to study this to see what size area we need to build a concrete channel with a bar screen in it. A price needs to be obtained for Love's because regardless of how it goes, it has to go to the DNR. Engineers need to be involved. It will be Love's engineers or our engineer with Love's paying the cost. Before we go any further, the current agreement needs to be amended to reflect the change as the grinder station was part of the conditional approval at the start. The next step is to put together an agreement that Love's will cover the cost. This will have to be a separate project. Lucas visited the site a couple weeks ago and everything was going fine and he did talk to Eric from CES (Love's Engineer) who designed the store model and the RV park. Lucas has the contact information. The Village needs to go back to the Planning Commission because Love's failed to meet one of the conditions and amend the conditional use permit that included the grinding of the waste from the store. The Village can start with the basic plan but design it in a way that can be upgraded in the future. The Cadillac version includes a building, mechanical bar screen that costs probably $600,000 to $800,000 which would also require water to the site. The simplest way is to put together a tank that would act as a channel where the operator rakes every couple days and puts that in the garbage can. Everything is done by hand. This is the $75,000 to $100,000 solution. The racking system is an automatic fork that is connected to an automatic motor that scoops it out into a track which doesn't require a lot of manual work. We are doing our pilot study right now. If the Village puts in the bar screen, it would be a perfect place to put the chemicals in. Love's will be notified that they are in violation of the agreement and an updated agreement will need to be drafted and approved.

Financial Administration: Approve Treasurer's Report (August) - Approve Bills, and Transfers to Pay Bills. **Motion** by M Peterson, second by J Hubele to approve the monthly Treasurer's Report and authorize payment of monthly bills and transfers to pay bills as presented. Motion passed without negative vote.

Authorization to Use Johnson Mobile Repair (Tyler Johnson) for In-House Shop/Mechanic Work. The Planning Commission recommended the Village Board hire Tyler Johnson of Johnson Mobile Repair for mechanic work that can't be completed by Village staff. Mr. Johnson provided a listing of hourly costs as well as a schedule of when work should be done on various equipment. Mr. Johnson advised there is a $75 charge if called out on nights, weekends, or holidays. Additional discussion was held regarding hiring Mike Lee to do the mechanic work. The clerk/treasurer was requested to determine the total cost to the village to utilize Mike Lee for this service. No action was taken and this will be discussed at the October Planning Commission meeting.

Operator/Bartender Licenses – Kristine Haase, Breiann Josett, Trynatie Maki, Kylee Stayton, Nicole Van Hoof, and Becky Zickefoose Effective 9/22/26-6/30/27 Unless Sooner Revoked
Motion by M Peterson, second by R Gnewikow to approve Operator/Bartender Licenses for Kristine Haase, Breiann Josett, Trynatie Maki, Kylee Stayton, Nicole Van Hoof, and Becky Zickefoose Effective 9/22/26-6/30/27 Unless Sooner Revoked. Motion passed without negative vote.

Ordinance Violation – 212 S Oakwood. A complaint was received regarding an unregistered vehicle and un-mowed grass and weeds. We had sent a complaint letter last year, but there are new owners living there now.

Motion by R Gnewikow, second by E Robarge to direct the clerk's office to send a notice requesting compliance before referring it to the village attorney. Motion passed without negative vote.

Update on Ordinance Violations – 303 S Oakwood St and 103 White. 103 White St – All items have been removed, and this can be closed out. 303 S Oakwood – The owners had advised they would be moving by September 1st, however, after repeated calls from the clerk and R Gnewikow being unanswered, no move has occurred and the rooster and dogs remain.

Motion by E Robarge, second by R Gnewikow to close the complaint for 103 White St and direct the Clerk to contact Attorney Precour to take the next steps to resolve the issue at 303 S Oakwood. Motion passed without negative vote.

Resolution Establishing an 18-Month Temporary Moratorium on the Receipt of Applications and the Issuance of Zoning Permits for the Siting or Placement of Data Centers and Battery Storage Facilities in the Village of Oakdale. The Planning Commission is recommending the Village Board approve the Resolution as presented.

Motion by R Gnewikow, second by J Hubele to approve **Resolution No. 2026-09-21-11** Establishing an 18-Month Temporary Moratorium on the Receipt of Applications as stated. Motion passed without negative vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-09-21-11

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN EIGHTEEN (18) MONTH TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS FOR ISSUANCE OF ZONING PERMITS FOR THE SITING OR PLACEMENT OF DATA CENTERS AND BATTERY STORAGE FACILITIES IN THE VILLAGE OF OAKDALE, MONROE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, the purpose of this resolution is to establish an eighteen (18) month moratorium on the receipt of applications for issuance of zoning permits for the siting or placement of data centers and battery storage facilities in the Village of Oakdale, allowing time for the Village to draft and approve an Ordinance to regulate any such development through the Village's Zoning Code, and

WHEREAS, the Monroe County Board of Supervisors has adopted a similar resolution for Monroe County in an effort to promote health, safety, morals, prosperity, aesthetics and general welfare of Monroe County, and to limit structures to those areas where soil and geological conditions will provide a safe foundation and prevent and control water pollution; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Oakdale does not have explicit zoning ordinances regarding Data Centers or Battery Storage Facilities as of the passing of this resolution and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the moratorium is to provide the Village with adequate time to assess the impacts and secondary effects of Data Centers and Battery Storage Facilities, including but not limited to electrical infrastructure concerns, water consumption concerns, wastewater impacts, land-use compatibility, emergency services impacts, and to promote meaningful development in implementation of Village ordinances with regard to the same, and

WHEREAS, this moratorium is necessary to protect the health, safety and general welfare of the Village residents, businesses, and visitors, and

WHEREAS, Data Center means a facility, building, campus, or portion thereof primarily used for the storage, processing, management, transmission, or hosting of digital data, servers, cloud computing systems, artificial intelligence computing systems, or network infrastructure, together with associated cooling systems, backup generators, substations, utility infrastructure, and accessory uses, and a Battery Storage Facility is typically any site housing a collection of interconnected batteries designed to accumulate electrical energy from various sources for later use; and

WHEREAS, this moratorium includes, but is not limited to, accepting applications, building permits, engineering permits, site review, rezoning approvals, conditional use permits, or any other authorization required for establishment, expansion, or construction of a Data Center or Battery Storage Facility, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Oakdale does concur with the Monroe County Board of Supervisor's findings that substantial health and safety concerns have been raised about the potential impacts related to the location, construction, and operation of Data Centers and Battery Storage Facilities in Monroe County, including increased environmental, water, air, and noise pollution, overburdening of public services and infrastructure, increased energy

demand, electromagnetic fields, impacts on roads and traffic during periods of construction, and increased risk of fire hazards, and

WHEREAS, a moratorium on the permitting of Data Centers and Battery Storage Facilities would allow the Village time to fully study the outlined concerns and impacts of Data Centers and Battery Storage Facilities on the distinct features, environment, economy, and property of the Village of Oakdale, and the potential impacts on the health, safety, and general welfare of the Village residents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Oakdale enacts a moratorium on the receipt of applications for and the granting of all zoning related permits for the placement or construction of Data Centers and Battery Storage Facilities and related land use; and the moratorium shall be in effect for a period of up to eighteen months from the date of this resolution and the Village Board reserves the right to extend the moratorium by separate action if deemed necessary. Dated this 21st day of September, 2026.

Richard Lee, Village President ATTEST: Laura Sagler, Village Clerk/Treasurer

Resolution - Inclusion Under the Wisconsin Public Employers' Group Health Ins. Program. Health insurance for employees will be addressed during the budget process. This resolution is needed if the Village would decide to join the state plan. Passing the resolution does not require participation, however, the resolution must be passed by October 1st to qualify for 2027.

Motion by R Gnewikow, second by M Peterson to approve **Resolution No. 2026-09-21-12** Regarding Inclusion Under the Wisconsin Public Employers' Group Health Insurance Program. Motion passed without negative vote.

Discussion of Requested Items to be Included in the 2027 Budget Worksheets – Reminder of Budget Workshop October 7th at 3 p.m. Items mentioned – R Lee mentioned that R Gnewikow should get a list of more tools needed at the shop, plumbing raised out of pit at park, run gas line to well house for heater, and intercom phone.

Oakdale Area Fire Association Quarterly Report. The annual budget meeting will be held Oct. 8th.

Adjourn. Motion by E Robarge, second by J Hubele to adjourn. Motion passed without negative vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Cram, Deputy Village Clerk/Treasurer

Approved:

Richard Lee, Village President