



## VILLAGE OF SOLON SPRINGS BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES Monday, April 27, 2026 at 7:00 PM

Solon Springs Community Center, 11523 S. Business Hwy. 53, Solon Springs, WI 54873

**President:** Ben Evans

**Trustees:** Melissa Johnson, Todd Gilbert, Chris Morgan and Carl Wahl

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Village President Ben Evans called the Village Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Evans led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 3. ROLL CALL

Clerk called roll call with the following trustees present: Ben Evans, Carl Wahl, Melissa Johnson and Chris Morgan and Todd Gilbert via phone; absent/excused: none Staff present: Clerk Kathy Burger and Treasurer Rebecca Nordskog and village operators Chad Spinner and Dean Magariner and village resident Beth Magomolla

### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Wahl second by Johnson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

### 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Village resident Beth Magomolla requested increased awareness of emergency planning resources as a follow-to her request at the last meeting. Evans relayed the village is included in Douglas County Hazard Mitigation plan, which is available online. The plan includes local hazard assessments and response protocols.

### 6. CONSENT AGENDA - *there will be no separate action on these items unless a board member utilizes a vote. All licenses are contingent upon meeting village code and board approval.*

Motion by Johnson second by Gilbert to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

6.1 Approval of minutes for the regular monthly meetings 3/23/26.

6.2 Treasurers report for March – profit and loss and reconciliation detail

6.3 Approval for payments for general & sewer fund checking on expenditure report: 4/27/26

6.4 Approval of zoning permit applications:

- Kerry Smith – new roof
- Jim Kremer – 2 storage containers
- Vicki Evans – new 12x28 shed
- Brandon Cegelske – renewal of permit #2189: new duplex with detached garage

6.5 Approval of licenses:

- Operator licensed issued: see attached

- Consideration & approval of published liquor license applications: see attached
- Consideration & approval of Class “B”/Picnic license applications: see attached
- Consideration & approval of cigarette license: none

**7. OLD BUSINESS - none**

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

**8.1 Accept village trustee Ashley Nelson resignation; appointment of Carl Wahl to fill vacancy**

Motion by Morgan second by Johnson to accept Ashley Nelson’s resignation which is prior to term completion and appoint Carl Wahl to fill the remainder of the term. Motion carried.

**8.2 Committee appointments**

Motion by Wahl second by Gilbert to appoint Johnson to community center and recycling commissions and Morgan to the fire commission with Carl to continue on recycling and planning commissions. Motion carried.

**8.3 Request for permission to install donated life jacket kiosk – St. Croix Headwaters Foundation**

A request was received to install a life jacket kiosk at boat landing by the Inn. The board reviewed submitted plans. Motion by Johnson second by Wahl to allow installation of the kiosk. Motion carried.

**8.4 May meeting date**

The May meeting date will be Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. due to regular meeting falling on Memorial Day.

**8.5 DNR Flood Plain Ordinance**

Wahl reviewed the floodplain mapping, current ordinance requirements, and participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and the importance of maintaining NFIP participation for property insurance and financing. Compliance requirements for building in flood zones, including elevation standards and the 50% rule. Consideration of adopting Wisconsin Act 175, which provides flexibility for nonconforming structures under specific criteria. Implications need further clarification from DNR. Discussion also included permitting processes, property identification within flood zones, and the need for public education. Additional clarification from DNR is needed prior to decision-making for Act 175.

**8.6 Bid project for new pavilion at ballfield**

Board reviewed bid project draft ad. The Board discussed reconstruction of a similar structure, with minor adjustments if necessary. Preferences include architectural shingles, consistent appearance with surrounding structures, approximately two-foot overhangs, and a ceiling height near 10 feet. Potential contributions include donated trusses from Dynamic Truss and possible electrical work. Goal of completion by late fall, while allowing flexibility for earlier start if feasible. Bid publication will occur mid-May, with anticipated bid opening at the May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**8.7 Bid resolution for intent to reimburse expenditures for DNR sewer project from proceeds of borrowing**

A resolution was presented to proceed with a DNR-funded sewer project with reimbursement provisions. Motion by Johnson second by Wahl to approve resolution. Motion carried

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**9.1 Administrative Committee – no updates**

**9.2 Buildings and Grounds –**Issues discussed included road debris and fence placement near village right-of-way, restroom access at ball fields, and storage needs at shop. Concerns were raised

about restroom accessibility for teams and opening/closing facilities. Also discussed enforcement of drainage and culvert requirements. A property was identified as noncompliant with agreed culvert specifications.

9.3 **Public Works/Sanitary Sewer** –Magariner spoke on generator quotes received and reviewed by the board. Pump station maintenance concerns include aging equipment, lack of backup components were addressed along with the need for diagnostics. Board request they ask for a quote for a diagnostics review and develop a prioritized maintenance and replacement plan.

9.4 **Fire Commission** – Wahl informed the board a proposal for a facility condition assessment of the fire hall at a cost of \$7,900 by Kraus Anderson is being requested and paid for by the fire commission.

9.5 **Community Center Commission** – no updates.

9.6 **Airport Commission** – no updates

9.7 **Planning Commission** – no updates

9.8 **Development Commission** – no updates

9.9 **Recycling Commission** – no updates

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION** by Gilbert, second by Johnson to adjourn this Village Board Meeting. Motion carried.

**This Village Board Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.**

### **Minutes Prepared by:**

Kathy Burger, Village Clerk

