

**VILLAGE OF WYOCENA
VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2024**

Call to order: Village President Kim Bauer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call: President Kim Bauer, Trustees: Owen Landsverk, Paul Crary, Rebecca Sersch, and Doug Rose. Also present: Administrator Lori Kratky, Public Works Foreman Ramsey Bobzin, Incoming Village Trustee Jeremy Crary, Rio EMS Director Ben Waldera, Helping Hands Food Pantry Representative Jean Damm, and property owner Phil Hodgson.

Absent Village Trustee: Kathy Morrison and Rusty Schiradelly.

Proof of Posting: The Village Clerk posted the agenda for the April 8, 2024 Village Board meeting on the bulletin board at the Wyocena Community Center, Wyocena Post Office, entrance to the Wyocena Library, and the Village website on Thursday, April 4, 2024.

Recognition of Visitors: In appreciation of the Village of Wyocena board and employee support, Jean Damm presented the board with a \$1,000 donation check from Helping Hands Food Pantry. The board thanked Jean Damm, and all Helping Hands Volunteers, for the assistance they provide to the residents of the village and surrounding areas.

Minutes: Motion by Landsverk, second by Rose, to approve the March 11, 2024 and March 19, 2024 Village Board minutes. M.C. with Rose and Sersch abstained from approving the March 19, 2024 minutes.

Reports:

Library Director Report: A written report was provided. It was noted that Library Director Darrell Fehd is retiring at the end of June 2024.

Police Chief's Report: A written report was provided. No questions were asked.

Fire Chief's Report: Nothing was provided.

Ambulance Director Report: Ben Waldera distributed, and briefly explained, a quarterly report.

Public Works Foreman's Report: A written report was provided. Bobzin updated the board of a potential leak on Grant Street and a main leak, by Grande Cheese, that has been repaired. Bobzin informed the board he will be off work April 17 – 19, 2024 and will be on light duty for a few weeks following.

Administrator Report: Kratky informed the board of the following items: 1) 130 people voted at the Presidential Preference and Spring Election on April 2, 2024. 2) Large item refuse removal in the village is April 23, 2024. 3) Requested notification of any board member contact information changes for the Columbia County Directory and the League of WI Municipalities Directory.

Treasurer Report: Kratky presented the following vouchers for approval. Motion by Crary, second by Landsverk, to approve the following vouchers: Roll Call: Sersch – yes, Crary – yes, Landsverk – yes, Bauer – yes, Rose – yes. M.C.

Associated Appraisal	\$257.81	Madison Media	\$8.31
Auto Value	\$63.99	Martelle Water Treatment	\$181.25
Baer Insurance	\$100.00	Menards - Baraboo	\$283.78
Baycom	\$435.00	Miller & Miller	\$490.00
Bliffert Lumber	\$188.21	Mitchell & Stephanie Walsh	\$50.10
Brooks Tractor	\$1,500.00	Motorola Solutions	\$3,330.30
Cardmember Services	\$1,096.85	MTAW	\$60.00
CenturyLink	\$4.81	PABA	\$35.00
Cintas	\$168.18	Postmaster	\$622.60
CNA Surety	\$16.25	Securian Financial	\$15.78
Col Cty Clerk	\$2,128.85	Securian Financial	\$73.66
Col Cty Solid Waste	\$3,231.96	US Cellular	\$140.02
CT Labs	\$1,286.00	USA Blue Book	\$177.60
Delta Dental	\$287.49	Wyocena Water	\$858.05

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Denure Excavating	\$707.40	General Fund	\$9,821.61
Fire Dynamics	\$540.00	Library	\$530.43
Friends of Kilbourn Library	\$335.00	Capital Outlay	\$3,765.30
Frontier	\$706.21	Water Fund	\$2,657.55
Gordon Flesch Co.	\$66.00	Sewer Fund	\$2,812.99

Unfinished Business:

American Transmission Company (ATC) Expansion Project: Informational meetings for the project were briefly discussed. Kratky will make contact with the village attorney regarding a previous moratorium and possible options the village may have.

350 S. Jefferson Street, Property division Proposal–Ordinances and Options: No new information was received.

New Business:

Phil and Gloria Hodgson Request To Combine Parcels: Phil Hodgson explained that he and his wife are interested in purchasing a vacant parcel on Madison Street, parcel 67.02, which is adjacent to a parcel owned by Amity Properties LLC/Phil and Gloria Hodgson, parcel 67.01. Hodgson said they are interested in purchasing parcel 67.02 from Habitat For Humanity only if they are allowed to combine the parcels. If allowed, the Hodgson's would like to build their home on the (combined) lot, with construction beginning as early as the summer of 2024.

Motion by Crary, second by Landsverk, to approve the combination of parcels 67.01 and 67.02; contingent upon the sale of parcel 67.02 to Phil and Gloria Hodgson, and a completed parcel combination request form and certified survey map are provided to the Village prior to the combination. M.C.

Columbia County Road Aid Program: It was questioned if the Polk Street reconstruction project might be eligible for the County Road Aid Program. The item was tabled until the May 14, 2024 Village Board meeting.

Recently elected Officials Oath of Office: Jeremy Crary, Paul Crary, and Owen Landsverk each pledged an Oath of Office for their 2024 – 2026 term as Village Board Trustee.

Kim Bauer read the inscription on an Appreciation Plaque for outgoing Trustee Kathy Morrison.

Board Comments: The next village board meeting will be May 14, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., immediately following the Board of Review

Adjournment: Motion by Crary, second by Rose, to adjourn at 6:44 p.m. M.C.

Lori Kratky, Village Administrator/Clerk