

**VILLAGE OF WYOCENA
VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 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: Paul Crary, Owen Landsverk, Rebecca Sersch, Jeremy Crary, and Rusty Schiradelly. Also present: Administrator Lori Kratky, Public Works Employee Henry DeBoer, Wyocena Fire Department Chief Brian Lemanczyk and member Justin Pounders, South Central Library System (SCLS) representatives Shannon Schultz and Tracie Miller, and citizens: Dian Hawley, Cyndi Heller, Marilyn Schultz, and Courtney York.

Absent: Trustee Doug Rose.

Proof of Posting: The Village Clerk posted the agenda for the July 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 Wednesday, July 3, 2024.

Recognition of Visitors: Nothing to report.

Minutes: Motion by Landsverk, second by P. Crary, to approve the June 10, 2024 Village Board minutes. M.C.

Reports:

Library Director Report: A written report was provided. No questions were asked.

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

Fire Chief's Report: Chief Lemanczyk stated the department had a good fundraiser in July. The Chief also stated the department has applied for a grant to purchase a new cordless jaws of life.

Ambulance Director Report: A written report was provided. No questions were asked.

Public Works Foreman's Report: A written report was provided. No questions were asked. The amount of standing water on the road, after a recent heavy rainfall, at the underpass on South Washington Street was briefly discussed.

Administrator Report: Kratky informed the board of the following items: 1) The Village's assessment contractor sent a notice of non-renewal. If services are to continue next year the cost will increase \$6,906, approximately 223%. Kratky will request an estimate for services from other companies. 2) The Eastern Columbia County Joint Municipal Court lease has been signed by a court representative. 3) The Polk Street project timeline was reviewed. 4) The board was informed of various literatures which was received in the mail and is available to them.

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

Alliant	\$4,461.91	Martelle Water Treatment	\$236.45
Associated Appraisal	\$257.81	Miller & Miller	\$390.25
Auto Value Parts	\$59.59	Picketts Septic	\$160.00
Bliffert Lumber	\$55.38	Pomp's Tire	\$652.56
Cardmember Services	\$205.01	Rhyme Business	\$3.00
Carrot-Top	\$159.16	Schultz Small Engine	\$161.94
Cintas	\$112.12	Securian Financial	\$77.68
Col Cty Highway	\$1,694.81	Securian Financial	\$15.78
Col Cty Shopper	\$618.50	SJE	\$365.70
Col Cty Solid Waste	\$3,245.34	The O'Brion Agency	\$261.00
Consolidated Electrical	\$96.36	Tritech Software	\$438.57
Ct Labs	\$436.00	US Cellular	\$139.98
Decker Supply	\$304.20	WI DNR	\$125.00
Delta Dental	\$32.00	WI Rural Water Assoc	\$330.00
Delta Dental	\$109.42	Wyocena Water Utility	\$870.14

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Demco	\$77.94		
Diggers Hotline	\$8.00	General Fund	\$12,758.22
Frontier	\$829.54	Library	\$855.37
General Engineering	\$1,276.21	Water Fund	\$1,602.54
Gordon Flesch	\$146.00	Sewer Fund	\$3,484.71

Unfinished Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Options and/or Decision Regarding Possible Library Closure: SCLS Director Shannon Schultz presented options regarding the Wyocena Library either closing or remaining open. Schultz stated that in order for the Wyocena Library to avoid paying the 2025 library membership fees to SCLS the Village Board would need to notify SCLS by August 15, 2024 of their decision to stop participation. Motion by P. Crary, second by Schiradelly, to table any decision regarding the library until the Village Board and the Library Board may have a joint meeting. M.C.

Kyle Kranz Fire Department Application: Motion by J. Crary, second by Bauer, to approve Kyle Kranz application for the Wyocena Fire Department. M.C.

Review May 2024 Decision on Ty Kearney Fire Department Application: Fire Chief Lemanczyk spoke in favor of hiring Kearney. Motion by Landsverk, second by Bauer, to approve Ty Kearney's application for the Wyocena Fire Department. M.C. with Schiradelly and P. Crary abstained.

State Maintenance Plan (SMP) Agreement For Polk Street LRIP Project Funds: Motion by P. Crary, second by Schiradelly, to approve the SMP Agreement for the Polk Street project using LRIP Entitlement funds. M.C.

Use of Facility For Employee Training: Motion by Schiradelly, second by P. Crary, to approve the use of the Community Center on July 31, 2024, at no charge, for training to be available to all Columbia County election officials. M.C.

Clarification of March 13, 2023 Motion Regarding New Solar Development: Motion by P. Crary, second by Schiradelly, to not allow any ground mounted solar development in the village. M.C.

CLOSED SESSION: Kratky read the following aloud. The Village Board will enter into closed session pursuant to state statute 19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The board will return to open session. Motion by Bauer, second by Sersch, to enter closed session at 6:59 p.m. Roll Call: Landsverk – yes, Bauer – yes, Schiradelly – yes, Sersch – yes, P. Crary – yes, J. Crary – yes. M.C.

The board excused Kratky from the room. The board returned to open session at 7:18 p.m. Landsverk left the meeting as the board returned to open session.

Discuss and/or Act Upon Closed Session Regarding Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

Job Description and/or Evaluation: Motion by J. Crary, second by Schiradelly, to schedule a Personnel Committee meeting to establish Standard Operating Procedures and Standard Operating Guidelines for a fair communication on structure. M.C.

Board Comments: The next village board meeting will be August 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Items to be discussed include a proposal of service from the Pardeeville Ambulance District, the Polk Street project bid award, and Wyocena Library options.

Adjournment: Motion by P. Crary, second by Schiradelly, to adjourn at 7:24 p.m. M.C.

Lori Kratky, Village Administrator/Clerk