

**VILLAGE OF WYOCENA
VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2025**

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, Rebecca Sersch, Doug Rose, and Rusty Schiradelly. Also present: Administrator Lori Kratky, Wyocena Public Works Foreman Henry DeBoer, Wyocena Library (previous) Director Darrell Fehd, Columbus Police Chief Weiner, and Grande Cheese Co. representative Cyndi Heller.

Absent Trustee: Jeremy Crary and Paul Crary.

Proof of Posting: The Village Clerk posted the agenda for the June 9, 2025 Village Board meeting on the bulletin board at the Wyocena Community Center, Wyocena Post Office, the Wyocena Library entrance, and the Village website on Thursday, June 5, 2025.

Recognition of Visitors: Nothing to report.

Minutes: Motion by Landsverk, second by Sersch to approve the May 13, 2025 and May 27, 2025 Village Board meeting minutes. M.C. with Rose abstained from the May 13, 2025 minutes and Rusty Schiradelly abstained from the May 27, 2025 minutes.

Reports:

Library Director Report: No written report. Darrell Fehd stated they have a qualified candidate for the Director position and the Library Board will be meeting with her on June 16th.

Police Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Public Works Foreman's Report: A written report was provided. No questions were asked.

Administrator Report: Kratky informed the board that the police department will be contacting the owners of unlicensed animals soon.

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

Amazon	\$49.87	Picketts Septic	\$170.00
Cardmember Services	\$306.94	Poblocki Paving	\$2,863.00
Col Cty Highway	\$529.19	Prairie Ridge Health	\$27.00
Frontier	\$1,163.03	Rebecca Sersch	\$203.51
Gordon Flesch Co.	\$81.00	Rhyme Business	\$163.00
SCLS	\$15.16	Rio Shopper	\$35.00
Accounting Workshop	\$6,450.00	Schultz Small Engine	\$222.28
Associated Appraisal	\$833.33	Securian Financial	\$15.78
Bliffert Lumber	\$55.56	Securian Financial	\$60.05
Brooks Tractor	\$2,000.00	Spee Dee Delivery	\$109.21
Cintas	\$112.12	US Cellular	\$140.93
Col Cty Solid Waste	\$3,355.24		
CT Labs	\$436.00		
Delta Dental	\$191.66	General Fund	\$8,897.21
Delta Dental	\$11.42	Library	\$436.62
Delta Dental	\$43.22	Water Fund	\$6,552.15
Martelle Water	\$211.50	Sewer Fund	\$3,969.02

Unfinished Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: CLOSED SESSION: Motion by Sersch, second by Landsverk, to enter closed session at 6:06 p.m., per state statute 19.85(1) (c) for the purpose of reviewing data and considering employment for the Police Chief position. The board will return to open session. Roll Call: Landsverk – yes, Bauer – yes, Rose – yes, Schiradelly – yes, Sersch – yes. M.C. The board asked Kratky and Columbus Police Chief Weiner to attend closed session. The board returned to open session at 6:33 p.m.

Decision(s) Resulting From Closed Session: Motion by Bauer, second by Sersch, to have the Police Chief candidate complete a psychological evaluation and a physical with practitioners established by the village. M.C.

Excavation in Right-of-Way (R.O.W.) Permit Application: Motion by Schiradelly, second by Landsverk, to approve the R.O. W. permit application by Pearce Services, on behalf of Frontier, for 161 Old Highway 16 East. M.C.

Options and/or Decision Regarding Wyocena Library Future: Motion by Schiradelly, second by Rose, for the Library Board to meet with the Director candidate prior to the July 14, 2025 Village Board meeting; and to table a decision regarding the Wyocena Library's future until the July 14, 2025 Village Board meeting, or until the Wyocena Library has determined if they have a viable solution to remaining open. M.C.

Resolution 2025-01: Motion by Landsverk, second by Schiradelly, to approve Resolution 2025-01 Compliance Maintenance Resolution (eCMAR). Roll Call: Landsverk – yes, Bauer – yes, Rose – yes, Schiradelly – yes, Sersch – yes. M.C.

DG Market 2025-2026 Liquor License Application: Motion by Sersch, second by Schiradelly, to approve the 2025-2026 DG Market Class A Beer and Liquor License application. M.C.

DG Market Cigarette and Tobacco License Application: Motion by Sersch, second by Schiradelly, to approve the 2025-2026 DG Market Cigarette and Tobacco License application. M.C.

Operator License Applications: Motion by Bauer, second by Rose, to approve an Operator License for Susan Arthur, Isabella Clausen, and Dillon Edwards-Mohr. M.C.

Accept or Deny the Plan Commission Recommendation: Current ordinances and property use(s) were discussed. Trustee Landsverk left the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Motion by Rose, second by Schiradelly, to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation to reject Owen Landsverk's and Deborah Hamele's request to divide 453 N. Polk Street, parcel 80, due to the proposed division, as submitted, does not meet the standards for a lot, as stated in village ordinance 14.64(e). M.C. with Bauer opposed.

Columbia County Hazard Preparedness Questionnaire: Motion by Rose, second by Schiradelly, to have Lori Kratky complete the questionnaire with Henry DeBoer's assistance. M.C.

American Transmission Company (ATC) Voluntary Permission Request: Kratky explained the request is for parcel 150.A only. The parcel is located at the end of Old Highway 16 west, near the intersection of State Highway 16. The four options included in the Permission Request were discussed. The motion by Rose to accept option four(4), "Owner is not interested in granting voluntary permission" died due to lack of a second. Motion by Bauer, second by Rose, to accept option one (1), granting permission for ATC representatives to enter upon the premises for the purpose of conducting archaeological surveys, performing land surveys, taking soil test borings, and other engineering studies as may be required prior to the construction of an electric transmission line, and appraisal inspections for the purpose of conducting a full narrative appraisal of the owner's land. M.C. with Rose opposed.

2025 Memorial Day Celebration: The board thanked Rebecca Sersch for a successful Memorial Day Celebration. Sersch thanked Doug Rose and Grande Cheese Co. for their donations.

Board Comments: The next Village Board meeting will be July 14, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion by Schiradelly, second by Rose, to adjourn at 7:04 p.m. M.C.

Lori Kratky, Village Administrator/Clerk