

**VILLAGE OF WYOCENA
VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 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: Paul Crary, Owen Landsverk, Rebecca Sersch, Jeremy Crary, and Doug Rose. Also present: Administrator Lori Kratky, Public Works Foreman Henry DeBoer, Wyocena Police Chief Larry Harkey, Wyocena Fire Chief Brian Lemanczyk, Fire Department members Justin Pounders and Ken Bond, and Citizens Michael Fansel, James Riese, and Courtney York.

Absent Trustee: Rusty Schiradelly.

Proof of Posting: The Village Clerk posted the agenda for the December 8, 2025 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, December 4, 2025.

Recognition of Visitors: Nothing to report.

Minutes: Motion by Landsverk, second by Rose, to approve the October 13, 2025, October 22, 2025, and November 10, 2025 minutes. M.C.

Reports:

Library Director Report: No report was given.

Police Chief's Report: No report was given.

1) Police Chief's Request To Attend Training: Chief Harkey offered to pay for all expenses to attend Police Chief training at the Kalahari Resort in WI Dells on January 26 – 28, 2026. Motion by P. Crary, second by Landsverk, to approve Larry Harkey's training request as presented with any remaining 2025 police training budget money being paid toward the cost of attendance, with Harkey paying the balance. M.C.

Fire Department Update: Chief Lemanczyk reported the fire department's brush truck sold for \$13,300 on the WI Surplus Auction. Lemanczyk also reported the fire department applied for a grant from TL Energy to obtain five new AEDs for the fire department, police department, and the Wyocena Community Center.

Public Works Foreman's Report: A written report was provided.

Administrator Report: Kratky informed the board of the following items: 1) Tax bills were mailed from Milwaukee on December 5th. 2) 2026 Dog licenses are available. 3) A citizen requested that we remind everyone to clear the snow from around any fire hydrant located near their home. This information is in the newsletter which was mailed with each tax bill, and we will place a reminder on the digital sign at the Community Center.

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

Alliant	\$4,934.52	General Engineering	\$75.00
Associated Appraisal	\$833.33	Glen's Lawn Care	\$90.00
Auto Value Parts	\$25.77	Gordon Flesch Co.	\$81.00
B & M Technical Services	\$380.00	Henry DeBoer	\$2,300.00
Bliffert Lumber	\$213.27	League of WI	\$593.08
Cardmember Services	\$4,817.95	Securian Financial	\$15.78
Cintas	\$113.28	Securian Financial	\$60.05
Col Cty Clerk	\$30.25	Spee Dee Delivery	\$102.23
Col Cty Highway	\$597.86	Town Web Design	\$1,220.00
Col Cty Highway	\$620.54	US Cellular	\$140.95
Col Cty Solid Waste	\$3,355.24	Workhorse	\$4,350.00
Ct Labs	\$436.00		
Delta Dental of WI	\$43.22	General Fund	\$16,030.07

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Delta Dental of WI	\$11.42	Capital Outlay	\$1,789.00
Diggers Hotline	\$18.70	Water Fund	\$2,636.69
Frontier	\$1,169.41	Sewer Fund	\$6,143.59

Unfinished Business:

2026 Ambulance Service Contract: Motion by J. Crary, second by Rose, to approve the 2026 Rio Ambulance Service contract in the amount of \$21,810. M.C.

Weight Limits On Village Streets: No action taken. Very limited discussion followed regarding the wording of any signs should be No Trucks instead of a weight limit.

Village Property Insurance – Coverage Change: No action taken.

Fire Station Remodel/Rebuild Update: Landsverk reported the architect will be in around mid-January. The board granted Lemanczyk's request to have this agenda item on every agenda. No further action was taken.

New Business:

Library Request To Decorate Community Center Entrance Trees: Motion by Sersch, second by J. Crary, to approve Darrell Fehd's library request to decorate the two trees located on each side of the Washington Street entrance of the Community Center. M.C.

Eastern Columbia County Joint Municipal Court (ECCJMC) 2026 Budget: Motion by Landsverk, second by P. Crary, to approve the ECCJMC 2026 budget as presented. M.C.

Columbia Health Care Center (CHCC) Memorandum of Understanding (M.O.U.): Motion by P. Crary, second by Landsverk, to approve the CHCC M.O.U. with item #5, the Village's indemnification of CHCC, stricken. M.C.

Appoint 2026-2027 Election Officials: Motion by P. Crary, second by Sersch, to approve the 2026-2027 list of Election Officials with Courtney York listed. M.C.

Library Director Position: Sersch reported the Library Board hired her as the new Library Director. Motion by Landsverk, second by Bauer, to approve Rebecca Sersch as the Library Director. M.C.

Appoint Village Board Trustee As Library Board Representative: Motion by Landsverk, second by P. Crary, to appoint Owen Landsverk to fill the remainder of Rebecca Sersch's term on the Wyocena Library Board. M.C.

DPW/Utility Operator Resignation: Motion by P. Crary, second by Bauer, to accept Sydney Arthur's resignation and thanked Sydney for her service to the village. M.C.

Budgeted Additional Wage Compensation: Motion by Bauer, second by Rose, to give Lori Kratky and Henry DeBoer each a \$500 bonus from 2025 budgeted wage funds. Roll Call: P. Crary – yes, J. Crary – yes, Landsverk – yes, Bauer – yes, Rose – yes, Sersch – yes. M.C.

Altronex Control SCADA System Proposal: DeBoer stated he will review the proposal to see if anything could be reduced or eliminated; he believes approximately \$50,000 could be reduced from the total proposal amount of \$171,885. Motion by P. Crary, second by Bauer, to approve the Altronex Proposal to replace the SCADA system in an amount up to \$171,885, with the water and sewer utilities repaying the cost, plus interest, with a 10 year amortization. Roll Call: Landsverk – yes, Bauer – yes, Rose – yes, Schiradelly – yes, Sersch – yes, P. Crary – yes, J. Crary – yes. M.C.

Trustee Landsverk left the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Adoption of Water and Sewer Budgets: Motion by Bauer, second by P. Crary, to approve the 2026 water and sewer budgets as presented. Roll Call: J. Crary – yes, Bauer – yes, Rose – yes, Sersch – yes, P. Crary – yes. M.C.

Establish Date For January 2026 Caucus: January 12, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. will be caucus with the Village Board meeting following at 5:45 p.m., or immediately following the close of caucus, whichever is later.

Board Comments: The next Village Board meeting will be January 12, 2026, starting at 5:45 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion by J. Crary, second by Rose, to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. M.C.