

**VILLAGE OF WYOCENA
VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2026**

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, Jeremy Crary, Rusty Schiradelly, and Rebecca Sersch. Also present: Village Clerk/Treasurer, Dawn Felton; Public Works Foreman, Henry DeBoer; Wyocena Fire Chief, Brian Lemanczyk; Fire Members: Ralph Pulver, Ken Bond, and Rusty Pounder. Citizens: Cyndi Heller, Grande; Kelsey Wilcox, and Courtney York.

Absent Trustee: Doug Rose

Recognition of Visitors: None to report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 12, 2026, February 9, 2026, and February 26, 2026. ***Motion to approve minutes by Owen Landsverk, seconded by Kim Bauer, and Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.***

REPORTS

1. **Library Report:** Library Director Dawn Felton presented monthly patron visits to library in addition to expenses/income for February 2026. Dawn indicated a new library software is being implemented in April with all staff supporting the effort in training.
2. **Police Chief's Report:** None to report.
3. **Fire Chief Report:** No written report was provided. Fire Chief Brian Lemanczyk reported on potentially purchasing a fire truck from Brussels, WI (north of Green Bay), for \$40,000. Wyocena's fire truck is a 1991 truck. All options are open for the purchase of such vehicle.
4. **Public Works Foreman's Report:** Public Works Foreman Henry DeBoer presented information on a potential new building to house the Public Works and Fire House vehicles in addition to office space. Henry is currently working on repair to potholes throughout the village and near the dam. On Friday, March 6, 2026, a pole was hit near the treatment plant and knocked power out in the surrounding area. With assistance, installing of the new water meter upgrade will begin. Finally, Henry will start the process of replacing the flagpole at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery.
5. **Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer Report:** Village Clerk/Treasurer Dawn Felton presented the following vouchers for approval.

Columbia Co Treasurer	\$116,582.06	Delta Dental of WI	\$44.52
MATC	\$23,598.59	Delta Dental of WI	\$191.66
Municipal Property Insurance Co	\$16,228.00	Ferguson Waterworks #1476	\$5,500.00
Pardeeville Area School District	\$271,232.62	Frontier	\$1,439.18
Associated Appraisal Consult	\$833.33	General Engineering Co.	\$100.00
Auto Value Parts Store	\$57.11	MARC	\$482.48
Baer Insurance Services	\$5,098.75	Met Life	\$9.40
Bliffert Lumber & Fuel	\$71.38	National Exchange Bank	\$20,893.90
Cardmember Services	\$176.67	Rhyme Business Products	\$163.00
Centurylink	\$2.58	Securian Financial Group	\$60.05
Cintas Corporation Loc. 446	\$113.28	Securian Financial Group	\$16.56
Columbia Co Solid Waste	\$3,440.83	Spee Dee Delivery Service	\$122.01
CT Laboratories LLC	\$374.00	US Cellular	\$140.94
Dalton Sand & Gravel	\$318.99	WI Dept of Revenue	\$149.12
		GRAND TOTAL	\$467,441.01

6. **Approval of Vouchers:** *Motion to approve Vouchers was made by Kim Bauer and seconded by Rebecca Sersch.*

Roll Call: Paul Crary, Yes; Kim Bauer, Yes; Owen Landsverk, Yes; Rebecca Sersch, Yes; Rusty Schiradelly, Yes; and Jeremy Crary, Yes.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Fire Station Remodel/Rebuild:**

Owen Landsverk presented an update on the \$3.5m Fire Station Remodel/Rebuild. Various points were brought up.

- The old highway garage is NOT a possibility,
- The budget includes the remodel and building,
- Several scenarios were presented on what the space could contain (i.e., Fire Department, Public Works equipment, Police equipment/vehicles, meeting and office space, and storage,
- The quote also includes roof repair and some structural supports,
- The frame/structure is in good condition which should help in the cost.
- Brian Lemanczyk also talked of replacement costs of fire equipment and how insurance has increased.

Next steps: complete/submit a proposal and find funding grants to aid in the project. There are potentially eight (8) grants available for such village funding of Fire Stations. A USDA grant is available and due at the end of March, 2026. Brian Lemanczyk will work with Dawn Felton to research/submit such grants. These grants can be tabled until the next meeting on April 13, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Casey Arneson Developer Reference Letter Request.** Paul presented an email received inquiring the Village to provide Casey Arneson with a developer reference. ***Motion to provide a written letter of reference by Paul Crary and seconded by Rebecca Sersch, and Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.***

Next Steps: Dawn Felton will draft a letter for Casey Arneson to be reviewed by the Board prior to mailing.

2. **Columbia County Hazard Mitigation Plan 2026.** Kim presented information from an email to complete the Columbia County All Hazard Mitigation Plan for 2026. ***Motion to complete Mitigation Plan by Jeremy Crary, seconded by Rusty Schiradelly, and Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.***

Next Steps: Brian Lemanczyk will work with Dawn Felton to complete the questionnaire before the deadline of March 20, 2026.

3. **Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer Resignation and Vacation Use Request.** With the impending resignation of Lori Kratky as Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer, her request to receive her vacation compensation over the upcoming pay periods (into April 2026) was discussed. This request enables Lori to continue with health care coverage through the end of April. ***Motion to grant vacation pay by Jeremy Crary, seconded by Rusty Schiradelly, and Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.***

ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

1. Rebecca Sersch inquired about obtaining additional keys for the Village Hall building.
2. There was discussion around updating/fixing the playground behind the Village Hall building. Some of the issues raised were:
 - a) Sand on playground. Henry to add more sand to the playground.
 - b) Slide in poor condition. Henry to research new equipment costs/installations. Cyndi Heller, Grande, will inquire about if funds Grande has funds available for such projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting by Paul Crary, seconded by Owen Landsverk, and Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

NOTICE OF POSTING

The Village Clerk posted the agenda for the March 9, 2026, at the 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, March 12, 2026.

Dawn M. Felton, Clerk/Treasurer