

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026

President Stalewski called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Trustee Schuettke, Trustee Edgar, Trustee Schaefer, Trustee Greenfield, Trustee Hill, Trustee Ragonese, and President Stalewski

PUBLIC HEARING

No public hearings were held

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Hill, seconded by Trustee Ragonese, to approve the Village Board meeting minutes from Monday, January 19, 2026.

Roll Call:

Aye: Trustee Greenfield, Trustee Schuettke, Trustee Schaefer, Trustee Ragonese, Trustee Hill, President Stalewski
Present: Trustee Edgar

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE, CLAIMS AND PURCHASES

Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of \$4,020,000 Taxable General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2026A (04-R-26) held in committee.

Motion by Trustee Ragonese, seconded by Trustee Schuettke to approve the commercial vouchers from February 2, 2026, dated January 28, 2026, through and including February 2, 2026, checks numbered 35297 through and including 35319 in the amount of \$65,110.72.

Roll Call:

Aye: Trustee Ragonese, Trustee Hill, Trustee Greenfield, Trustee Schuettke, Trustee Edgar, Trustee Schaefer, President Stalewski

Motion by Trustee Ragonese, seconded by Trustee Schuettke to approve the biweekly payroll dated January 23, 2026, in the amount of \$144,126.58.

Administrator Egan addressed the approximately \$10,000 increase in payroll compared to the previous period, explaining it was due to vacation time buyout for an officer who left, overtime for DPW staff for snow plowing, and annual rate increases that took effect at the beginning of the year.

Roll Call:

Aye: Trustee Schaefer, Trustee Ragonese, Trustee Hill, Trustee Greenfield, Trustee Schuettke, Trustee Edgar, President Stalewski

Motion by Trustee Ragonese, seconded by Trustee Schuettke to approve and accept the November 2025 Treasurer's Report.

Roll Call:

Aye: Trustee Edgar, Trustee Schaefer, Trustee Ragonese, Trustee Hill, Trustee Greenfield, Trustee Schuettke, President Stalewski

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT, Chairperson Steve Schuettke

Chairperson Schuettke suggested the board should begin considering the next target area for traffic calming measures, noting it had been some time since the last set of measures was implemented. Administrator Egan mentioned that the next village board meeting would include discussion with the engineer and DPW about 49th Street, which could incorporate traffic calming elements. She stated that the feedback she received supported the more aggressive traffic calming standards used by the City of Milwaukee.

PUBLIC WORKS, RECYCLING AND UTILITIES, Chairperson Dominic Greenfield

Chairperson Greenfield reported that the Department of Public Works had lost two (2) staff members. Administrator Egan explained that one employee was a no-call, no-show who eventually sent a text message stating they would not be returning. The other employee was on extended probation, expressed dissatisfaction with not receiving a raise, and subsequently gave two weeks' notice but was sent home immediately. The Village has posted job advertisements and has begun receiving applications.

LICENSES, ZONING, PARKS, AND BUILDINGS, Chairperson Craig Schaefer

No report was given.

HEALTH, HOUSING, SOCIAL SERVICES, AND RECREATION, Chairperson Jane Edgar

Chairperson Edgar reported that the Board of Health met on January 22nd and received a detailed report about two (2) buffet restaurants that caused food poisoning incidents in October and November. The restaurants had significant hygiene issues, including communication problems between staff speaking different languages, and lack of proper handwashing and glove usage protocols. The restaurants were not located in West Milwaukee.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLICITY, Chairperson Todd Hill

No report was given.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, Chairperson John Stalewski

No report was given.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Stalewski relayed the Lion's Club had their Pancake Breakfast. President Stalewski announced that State Representative Priscilla Prado and State Senator Tim Carpenter would be holding a town hall meeting at the West Milwaukee Community Centre on Thursday, February 19th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. He encouraged board members to attend.

WMCDA REPORT, Chairperson Craig Schaefer

Chairperson Schaefer reported that the WMCDA met at the end of January, where they addressed informational questions for an application which was subsequently approved. The committee also made adjustments to the Strong Neighborhoods Program guidelines.

Administrator Egan provided an update regarding Phoenix Investors. Representatives from Phoenix and their attorney met with Administrator Egan and Zoning Administrator Teri Anniuk regarding zoning on the property. They are considering two actions: a lot division to separate the area where demolition took place for future development, and a PUD overlay on the remaining manufacturing portion of the site.

Administrator Egan advised the developer that while the lot division might not be problematic, especially if accompanied by a development proposal, the PUD overlay might not be supported by the board as it would allow multiple users on the site with limited oversight. She suggested they should identify specific users before requesting a PUD overlay. The board expressed concern about maintaining control over what development occurs on the property.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Police Chief Shaundra Randolph reported on a large fight that broke out at a funeral home between two families, involving approximately 200 people. Police had to close the road and received mutual aid from the Sheriff's Department and West Allis. One person was taken into custody for starting another fight while officers were on scene. The Chief noted that the funeral home claimed their cameras weren't working and couldn't provide footage.

The Chief also discussed traffic accidents on Greenfield Avenue, reporting 15 accidents between 51st and 54th Streets so far in 2026. She explained that after crossing Beloit Road heading east on Greenfield, there are no traffic control measures until 60th Street, leading to vehicles gaining speed on the downhill stretch. The area near 53rd Street is particularly problematic due to vehicles parked beyond designated points which create blind spots. Board members discussed potential traffic calming measures, including concrete bump-outs.

Other updates from the Chief included:

- K9 Kane's first day of school
- The police recruit is doing well at the academy
- The department is evaluating two candidates to replace Assistant Chief Donovan when he retires in June
- The drone squad is operational and will be showcased at the Winter Chiefs Conference

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Egan provided several updates:

- A preconstruction meeting for tree planting is scheduled for tomorrow
- The I-94 East-West project mitigation funds of approximately \$480,000 for traffic signal timing updates came in under budget, potentially allowing for additional improvements. The bid award will be on the next agenda
- The next board meeting will include discussion about 49th Street resurfacing, alley repairs, and garbage truck costs
- The Clerk is reviewing bank rates for village investments, updates to the purchase policy and credit card policy based on auditor recommendations
- Storm and sewer rates will be reviewed soon
- Tony Warkoczewski, submitted his retirement notice to West Allis effective May 29th. He has worked with the Village on IT issues over the years

The board discussed traffic concerns on National Avenue, particularly at 54th Street where pedestrians have extreme difficulty crossing due to the lack of traffic control between 48th and 60th Streets. Board members suggested approaching the DOT about installing a traffic signal at 54th Street, noting it would benefit both residents and VA Medical Center visitors.

NEW ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE DELIBERATION

No new items for future deliberation.

Upcoming Meetings

- Tuesday, February 3rd at 4:00 PM - Special Village Board Meeting
- Tuesday, February 10th at 6:00 PM - Plan Commission Meeting (with one item regarding signs)
- Monday, February 16th at 7:00 PM - Village Board Meeting
- Monday, February 23rd at 6:00 PM - WMCDCA Meeting

Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Edgar, seconded by Trustee Schaefer, to adjourn at 7:41PM. Motion carried unanimously by voice.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Olson, Administrative Assistant