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Minutes

Village Board

Tuesday, July 15th, 2025, 5:30 pm

Village Board Room, 30 S. 1st St., Winneconne

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:30pm.

Pledge of Allegiance said in unison.

Roll Call: Olson (present), Bouras (present), Stelzner (present), Janikowski (present), Krings (present), Miller (absent), Boucher (present)

Also present were Administrator Fuller and Attorney Geoff Lacey.

Regular Business

Motion by Olson, Second by Krings to approve consent agenda and payment of bills:

- June 30, 2025, Treasurer's Report/Budget Comparisons
- June 2025, Check Register

Motion passes by roll call vote: Janikowski (aye), Krings (aye), Olson (aye), Bouras (aye), Stelzner(aye), Boucher (aye) 6-0-0

Motion by Olson, Second by Bouras to approve June 17th, 2025 Village Board meeting minutes

Motion passes by roll call vote: Janikowski (abstain), Krings (aye), Olson (aye), Bouras (aye), Stelzner(aye), Boucher (aye) 5-0-1

Communications

President Boucher presented Becky LaDue (Winneconne News) with a plaque on behalf of the Village, commending and appreciating the many years of support of Village publications and dedicated journalism.

Public Participation

Multiple individuals came forward to comment in favor of the Village's support of the Marble Park Master Plan and the Marble Park Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):

- Candice Olson - 8347 Pheasant Run Trail, Larsen
- Bette Hoytink – 169 S 1st Street, Winneconne
- Peggy Larsen - 221 N. 10th Ave, Winneconne
- Becky LaDue - 5192 South Wind Drive, Winneconne
- Kate Pfaendtner - 5710 Saint Ives Road, Oshkosh
- John Broderick - 200 Twin Harbor Drive, Winneconne

The above individuals shared comments and stories that highlighted Marble Park's significance and impact on the community; a few participants noted the visual decline in the park, noting that the proposed improvements would draw residents from other municipalities and encourage growth with new residents. Mr. Broderick stated the Marble Park Master Plan has approximately \$2 million in pledges so far based on private/public partnership; if the MOU is not approved, the pledges will be redacted.

Administrator's Report

Business update:

- Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corporation (GOEDC) – The organization is reviewing a refresh of current grants and initiatives.
- Future use plans are anticipated for the waterfront property by August's Planning Commission meeting.

Operations:

- The full time position for the Customer Service Representative position is posted online, receiving over 200 applications. Virtual and in-person interviews are being conducted.
- An on-going focus on process improvements and refinements throughout each department continues.

Meetings & Events:

- Sovereign State Days 2025 (July 17th through July 20th, 2025)
- GOEDC Board Meeting July 16th, 2025
- Administrator Fuller will be meeting with EMS providers Lifestar and Gold Cross.
- Administrator Fuller will be meeting with the City Manager of Oshkosh, Rebecca Grill, this week as well as County Executive, Gordon Hintz.
- Administrator Fuller will be meeting with healthcare providers and consultants this week to refresh assumptions related to benefits.

Finance:

- The Village is currently operating at 42.2% of the budget, compared to last year this time being at 46.3%.
- The 2026 annual budget process is underway; the roadmap has been published internally as well to the Village Board, with milestones established through this budgeting cycle.

Committee Reports

Beautification – Beautification Committee met on July 10th and is continuing their efforts to be ready for the Sovereign State Day parade. Member Eric is checking all planter lights to ensure they are working and will give list to the Public Works Department.

Cemetery – Cemetery Board did not meet in July.

Fire District – Fire Commission met on July 14th; at the meeting, a presentation from the State of Wisconsin, Department of Safety and Professional Services on the requirements of 2% Fire Dues program was given. There are two firefighters currently in class, as well as potentially one new firefighter interested, one new EMR, and three applications out that have not been returned. Chief Allcox also shared the plans to have the parking lot resurfaced. The next meeting is September 8th at 7pm.

Historic Preservation – Trustee Miller was not in attendance for the update; if interested in an update on the Historic Preservation meeting, contact Chair Brian Miller or refer to committee meeting minutes.

Library – The Library Board discussed the 2026 budget season, SOPs and the strategic plan. Multiple library staff members were trained in CPR and AED and are now certified. The summer reading program is recognizing a great turnout, with the library helping approximately 150-220 individuals a day. Out of five Winnebago County libraries, the Village of Winneconne has the largest amount of residents holding a library card (47.61%); additionally, the library is recognizing a significant return to pre-pandemic circulations (90%).

Parks – The Parks Committee did not meet in July; however, Assistant Public Works Director Mankiewicz provided the following updates: hardwood floor installation completed at the barn, siding in process, and the Marble Park Beach house will be having a Point of Sale (POS) system installed on July 16th. The next meeting will be August 14th.

Personnel & Finance – PFC met to review EMS courses of action, including cost impacts, assumed risks, etc. as well as reviewing the IGA (SWEMS) as it currently reads.

Plan Commission – The Commission reviewed the Planned Unit Development (PUD) proposed ordinance, which affords opportunity to review development projects on a case-by-case basis; the Commission has put forth the ordinance for Village Board approval.

Public Safety – The Public Safety Committee discussed preparation for National Night Out, with DPW and the library to assist. The firing range creation continues to progress, which will be announced when completed. Chief Sauriol stated that his officers are ready for Sovereign State Days support.

Public Works – Public Works Committee did not meet in July; however, Assistant Public Works Director Mankiewicz provided the following updates: construction on 6th Ave continues, security cameras were installed at the compost site, and the Public Works department will continue preparation during the week for Sovereign State Days.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Motion by Janikowski, Second by Krings to approve the Operator license as presented for the licensing year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027

- Scott Randal Jones

Mr. Jones has completed all necessary requirements, as well as passed a background check.

Motion passes by voice vote 6-0-0

Motion by Bouras, Second by Krings to approve a Temporary Class “B” picnic license for the Winneconne Athletic Association for July 18th, 2025 through July 20th, 2025

The Winneconne Athletic Association has completed all necessary requirements and will have a licensed bartender on staff for the event.

Motion passes by voice vote 6-0-0

Motion by Olson, Second by Janikowski to approve the Planned Unit Development (PUD) ordinance No. ORD-2025-002

The Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning process is intended to provide a flexible land use and design regulation tool that allows for creativity in development and efficient use of land while preserving community character, protecting natural features, and promoting public benefits not achievable through conventional zoning. The process includes detailed planning, review by the Planning Commission, and final approval by the Village Board.

Motion passes by roll call vote: Janikowski (aye), Krings (aye), Olson (aye), Bouras (aye), Stelzner (aye), Boucher (aye) 6-0-0

Motion by Olson, Second by Janikowski to approve the Marble Park Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) as written

The Marble Park Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) describes the commitment from Village for financial obligation, and outlines the contingencies/stipulations of the donation, including the right to withdraw funds if the project does not begin within the calendar year of 2026. The Village will allocate a onetime investment of \$100,000.00 to support the Marble Park Master Plan. Any future investments will be assessed annually after fiscal considerations and reviews are completed.

Motion passes by roll call vote: Janikowski (aye), Krings (aye), Olson (aye), Bouras (aye), Stelzner (aye), Boucher (aye) 6-0-0

Motion by Janikowski, Second by Krings to sign the proposed EMS IGA contingent of acceptance of the submitted revisions

Administrator Fuller discussed the timeline considerations, including waiting on Oshkosh's decision to continue EMS support. The Personnel and Finance Committee reviewed various options for EMS support. Costing from the SWEMS Board is not available for review. The Village has considered various scenarios, including different community inclusions and ambulance setups, and has coordinated with the county for provider requirements and firehouse/facility updates. Many aspects of the IGA are not clearly defined and may remain unclear until after signing if contingencies are not accepted. The contract does not specify the provider the IGA will use. The PFC recommends the Village Board sign the proposed EMS IGA contingent of acceptance of the submitted revisions, including, but not limited to, amending the voting structure from a simple majority to a 2/3 vote. As the IGA currently reads, the Village must write an acceptance of joining the IGA by July 22nd or pay a fee to join.

Motion passes by roll call vote: Janikowski (aye), Krings (aye), Olson (aye), Bouras (aye), Stelzner (aye), Boucher (aye) 6-0-0

Motion by Olson, Second by Bouras to move into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, or performance evaluation data of public employees

- Discuss personnel retention & succession strategies

Motion passes by roll call vote: Janikowski (aye), Krings (aye), Olson (aye), Bouras (aye), Stelzner (aye), Boucher (aye) 6-0-0

Motion by Olson, Second by Bouras to move into open session

Motion passes by roll call vote: Janikowski (aye), Krings (aye), Olson (aye), Bouras (aye), Stelzner (aye), Boucher (aye) 6-0-0

No action or vote was taken during the closed session.

Confirm next meeting

Tuesday, August 19th, 2025, 5:30 pm – Village Hall Board Room

Adjourn

Motion by Olson, Second by Bouras to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passes by voice vote 6-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:05pm