

VILLAGE OF LOMIRA BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2024

The public hearing was called to order at 6:30pm by acting Chairman Gary More.

Attendance: Joey Jewell, Eric Kohlmann, Jessica Loomans, Gary More, Jennifer Priesgen, Scott Ritger

Absent: Donald Luedtke

Public Attendance: Jo An Wolter, Jeremy Stommel, Steve Schaefer, Kurt Haefs Nick Roskopf, Jenna Rhein

Jenna Rhein provided a summary of the proposed 2025 budgets for general fund, sewer fund, and water fund.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Tr. Kohlmann, seconded by Tr. Priesgen to adjourn the public hearing at 6:55pm.

The Board meeting was called to order at 7pm by acting Chairman Gary More.

Attendance: Joey Jewell, Eric Kohlmann, Jessica Loomans, Gary More, Jennifer Priesgen, Scott Ritger, and Donald Luedtke arrived at 7:30pm.

Public Attendance: Sgt. Counard, Tom Sabel, Kurt Haefs, Nick Roskopf, Jeremy Stommel, Steve Schaefer, Jo An Wolter, Jenna Rhein

Motion by Tr. Priesgen, seconded by Tr. Jewell to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Tr. Ritger, seconded by Tr. Jewell to dispense reading of the previous meeting minutes and approve as emailed. Motion carried.

Jo An Wolter expressed concern regarding the WM trucks using her driveway to turn-around on her street and that the trucks left tire marks on her driveway, and they have been using her driveway as an access quite a few times. Nick Roskopf confirmed that the tire marks were left on her driveway by WM. There is concern about the heavy trucks using her driveway and that residential driveways are not constructed for the use of heavy trucks. Jenna Rhein reported that once Wolter informed her and Roskopf of the issue, WM was contacted immediately. The representative at WM stated that a notice has been posted on the Village account to alert all drivers that using residential driveways is prohibited. Furthermore, Roskopf will install 'Dead End' signage on Pheasant Run to properly inform drivers it is not a pass-through street.

Steve Schaefer questioned why the trailer ordinance was now being enforced since he has had the trailers on his property for 15 years. It was explained that there were complaints about the property and Dodge County Sheriff's Office is doing what they were contracted to do: provide law enforcement and enforce ordinances. In order to comply with the ordinance, Steve stated he may need to put a fence around the property, which will be expensive. He wanted directions from the Board as to what to do. Also, Steve questioned the proposed shipping container ordinance that would not permit shipping containers to be rented out, as well as a fee for having shipping containers.

Jeremy Stommel voiced his disappointment with the warnings and citations received for unregistered trailers and vehicles parked on property. He stated after discussions with Sgt. Counard and Jenna Rhein, they advised him to register the vehicles and clean up the property of items that are prohibited according to Village Code. Jeremy was looking for direction from the Village Board. The Board advised Stommel to continue to work with Sgt. Counard to abide by ordinances.

Motion by Tr. Jewell, seconded by Tr. Ritger to approve the Kwik Trip project plan, site plan, and stormwater management plan for development at 400 East Avenue, Lomira as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

President Luedtke read Proclamation #2024-2, Honoring Village of Lomira Election Officials.

Motion by Tr. More, seconded by Tr. Priesgen to grant an operator liquor license to Ryan McSweeney. Motion carried.

Motion by Tr. Priesgen, seconded by Tr. Kohlmann to appoint Emily Leiter and Addison Stoffel as members of the Lomira Fire Department. Motion carried.

Motion by Tr. More, seconded by Tr. Jewell to table consideration of Ordinance #364, accessory structures and shipping containers and bring back to the Rules & Regulations Committee to add verbiage about 'grandfathering' existing shipping containers and the fee schedule. Motion carried by roll call vote with Tr. More nay.

Motion by Tr. More, seconded by Tr. Jewell to contract with MSA for engineering services for South Avenue reconstruction project. Motion carried. The contract amount will be approximately \$74,000 to engineer water, sewer, and roadway reconstruction. Rhein reported the Village received notice that we are eligible for a grant and if the engineering is complete, then we will score higher to be awarded the grant. Notice if the grant will be awarded will be in summer, 2025.

Motion by Tr. More, seconded by Tr. Priesgen to approve the 2025 stray animal contract with Dodge County Humane Society. Motion carried.

Motion by Tr. Ritger, seconded by Tr. More to adopt Ordinance #368, adopting State Statutes parking regulations. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Motion by Pr. Luedtke, seconded by Tr. Jewell to adopt Resolution #1042, increase the tax levy. Motion carried by roll call vote. This Resolution approves additional \$80,000 to the tax levy for principal loan payment.

Motion by Tr. More, seconded by Tr. Priesgen to approve Resolution #1043, adopting the 2025 operating budgets. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Motion by Tr. Jewell, seconded by Tr. More to approve Resolution #1044, setting the mill rate. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Motion by Tr. Priesgen, seconded by Tr. Jewell to approve the November bills as listed: General Fund \$54,853.21; Wheel Tax \$47,655.10; Utility Fund \$46,415.04. Motion carried.

The monthly department reports were presented. The Streets Committee will meet on November 21st at 11am to discuss the roadway by Haak Chiropractic. The Rules Committee will meet November 26th at 6:30pm to discuss the agreement with the Lomira Athletic Association.

Motion by Tr. More, seconded by Tr. Kohlmann to adjourn the meeting at 9pm. Motion carried.

Jenna Rhein
Village of Lomira Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer