

VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES

July 30, 2026

President Runnels called meeting to order at 6:30pm. Trustees present were: Diercks, Johnston, Martin, and Fousek. Also attending were: Jim Lietz, Scott Eagan, Steve Kasubaski, Michael Decorah, and Brenda Walker, clerk.

Diercks motioned, seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Martin motioned, Johnston seconded to approve the minutes from the June 25, 2026 Regular meeting and special meeting of July 7, 2026. Motion carried.

Public comments- no comments

President's report – A letter will be going out to Mr and Mrs. Beier advising them to not contact our Village attorney regarding Village issues.

Committee reports:

Safety – Deputy Steve gave a report from the PD. He will be taking the squad to Portage Ford for future maintenance. The last set of tires that were put on the squad were under-sized. He also invited Chief Deputy Scott Eagan to update the board on the existence and purpose of Flock cameras. The one located in Coloma is along Hwy 21. The cameras in Waushara County strictly take a photo of the rear license plate of the car. No photos of the drivers. The sheriff's department considers them as a great law enforcement tool. Flock maintains the data nationwide, but access has to be approved by the department. Flocks systems have not been hacked. These cameras were installed by the Sheriff's Dept. Erik gave a report from the Fire Dept. One truck is having issues. Appears to be an electrical problem.

Utility/Street Mike would like to take a cross connection class to get his license. Cost of the class is \$1000 and will take one week. Johnston motioned, Fousek seconded to allow attendance in the class, not to exceed \$1200. A voice vote Grass is dry, no mowing needed. He's been reviewing our Emergency Plan in light of the weather in the area. A test run on the generator for the Community Center will be done next week. He submitted a bid for a solar aerator for the lagoon. This will help the sludge break up. He believes it can be installed by the guys. Diercks motioned, Martin seconded to not exceed \$5700 for this expense. A voice vote was called: Mike will be working with Deputy Kasubaski on the lawn ordinance/weeds.

Personnel/Finance – It was approved several months ago to share the expense of a new vehicle for the Fire Dept. Our share of the cost is \$30,000. There are funds in the Undesignated category of the reserve account. This is made up largely of interest deposits over a few years. Martin motioned, Diercks seconded to approve the transfer of the funds to pay the Fire Dept. Voice Vote - Motion carried. Brenda has been advised that the County is exploring options for the printing of the tax bill. ABT Corp is willing to print the tax bills and inserts as well as stuff/mail them. We have 335 parcels in the Village. Estimated cost would be \$250 for that service. The second option would be for the County to print them at a cost of .32 per bill. The stuffing and mailing would continue as normal in the office. An answer as to where we'd need to get envelopes from if we mail them has not been received yet. The County is looking to implement this for the 2027 Budget year. Brenda would like to continue mailing the bills. This gives a chance for review and any address changes.

Clerk – submitted in writing.

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Park – The splashpad installation will be starting next week. An area electrician will be donating his time to do that part of the project.

Cemetery – No report

Library – Summer reading program ended today.

Community Development - Diercks has a contact with the UW Extension. He will invite them to come to a future meeting.

Old Business:

Update – Raze/Repair 137 N First St. The owners have not responded to the letter, and Brenda was not able to reach them.

Assistance for Liquor Store remodel - There is a small balance in the TID 1 fund from after that fund was closed. Martin motioned, seconded to approve paying \$21, 872.51 to help finish paying for the exterior update on the old building. A voice

New Business

“Class A” Liquor license application – Kwik Trip Inc. – Diercks motioned, Johnston seconded to approve the license application. Motion carried.

Appointment to Plan Commission Due to the death of Ray Burrows, there is a vacancy on the Plan Commission. Jim Lietz has indicated he would be willing to fill that vacancy. Johnston motioned, Lietz seconded to approve the appointment. Motion carried.

Fire Alarm device replacement The Community center is approaching 30yrs of age. The Fire alarm system needs to be updated. The community center board has approved the expense. A contract from H&S Protection Systems was presented for the boards approval. Diercks Motioned, Martin seconded to approve. Motion carried.

Finance/vouchers – Martin motioned, Diercks seconded to approve July Financial Reports. Motion carried.

Johnston motioned, Diercks seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Brenda Walker
Village of Coloma Clerk