

**Feb 10 2025, 2025--- (Unapproved minutes)
Village of Stetsonville**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by President Greg Brunner. Present were Brunner, Joseph Dowden, Stephanie Bohn, Doug Klemm, Will McCarron, Jay Jochimsen, and Clerk/Treasurer Jan Tischendorf. Al Riemer had excused absence. Also present were Marsha Duellman and Ellyn Laska, new library director.

The meeting was posted according to statutes.

Motion to approve minutes of January 2025 meeting: M/2nd Bohn/Dowden. All ayes, motion carried.

Anyone other than board members, wishing to speak at a meeting must ask to be put on the agenda.

Public comment: New library director Ellyn Laska and Library board member Marsha Duellman were present. Ellyn is replacing Carla Huston. Marsha asked about a property that advertised that it had a RV dumping station on it when it was listed for sale.

Old business: property maintenance issues—Bob Christensen was not present, but reported that he was working on two issues in the village in regards to zoning.

Engineering Selection Committee Report- A scoping meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 19 at 2 pm via zoom with the engineers and with Ben Stanfley of the county highway commission. This is for the highway project scheduled for summer 2027 on CTH A.

Regionalization report-Jay Jochimsen reported on the meeting held with the city of Medford. A study is being conducted with Short, Elliot, and Hendrickson to study the cost effective/financial part of the project. SEH toured the wastewater plant. Cited was phosphorous levels, disinfection, along with other requirements by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources as reasons to upgrade the wastewater process.

MPIC physical audit was performed—the inspector checked and measured the village shop in regards to the insurance coverage on it.

New business: Library -Earlier in the meeting. Ellyn Laska was introduced as the new library director. A proposal was made to remodel a cubby in the hallway into a janitorial closet now that the water cooler has been removed and replaced with other sources of drinking water in the building.

Jake Brakes-there was a complaint to the village office about the use of jake brakes in the village. DPW employee Jay Jochimsen will visit the party that the complaint was directed to and ask him if he can use them less. The board felt that if the “rule” were put in place there would be little enforcement, just because law enforcement would have to “catch them in act” anyway.

Clerk Treasurer report is attached. Included are bank funds, funds spent, utility report, and garbage collection report. It was reported that tax payments are complete now with the February settlement to be done shortly. Audit went well with Clifton, Allen and Larsson, with just a few library issues to be handed in. Board was again reminded that the office will be closed March 12-19 for clerk's vacation. m/2nd to approve report McCarron/Bohn. All ayes, motion carried.

There was also discussion regarding the impending retirement of clerk Jan Tischendorf retiring by 1/1/2026. The board requested that she get starting wage information from other municipalities, and to put a help wanted ad in the paper, spreading the word that the village will be looking to hire someone, with them doing training in the last ¼ of the year.

Municipal wastewater/water reports by Jay Jochimsen and Doug Klemm. Report is attached. All test results are within required guidelines. There was a water leak repaired by a resident on Butternut street. The air dryer was installed by Staab Mfg.

Street and Maintenance report- by Jay Jochimsen and Doug Klemm. Report is attached. Included in report. Included in report—report on snow plowing and meeting with county Ben Stanfley in regard to sidewalk/ CTH A project. M/2nd to accept both reports, McCarron/Dowden. All ayes, motion carried.

Bill payment- vouchers 1463 through 1500, and EFT 02-01 to 02-14 were approved for payment. M/2nd Dowden/Bohn All ayes, motion carried.

Zoning Code Change--There was discussion about the going forth with changing building codes in the village to allow “premanufactured homes” that fit in esthetically with existing homes, in order to attract new residents to the village, the reason cited was that the high cost of homes prevent (young) people from building a new home and the ability to construct this type of home would possibly attract young families. Greg Brunner shared the article that was in the Municipality magazine, commenting that other municipalities are allowing this in order to encourage new growth. Todd Metz, representative of Mid Country homes is tentatively scheduled to speak at the next meeting.

Adjourn, m/2nd Dowden/Bohn. All ayes, motion carried. **Next meeting: Monday –3/10/2025 at 4 pm at JMTM library community room.**

/s/ Jan Tischendorf, Clerk/Treasurer

Next meeting is Monday, March 10, 2025 at 4:00 pm at the Jean M. Thomsen Memorial Library.