

MEETING:	REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD
DATE AND TIME:	Tuesday, September 2, 2025 7:00 PM
LOCATION:	Germantown Village Hall Board Room N112 W17001 Mequon Road

MINUTES

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** *This meeting has been given public notice in accordance with Section 19.83 and 19.84, Wis. Stats, in such form that will apprise the general public and news media of subject matter that is intended for consideration and action.*

Village President Bob Soderberg called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

II. **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Trustee David Baum, Trustee Terri Kaminski, Trustee Jolene Pieper, Trustee Jan Miller, Trustee Meg Cutts, Village President Bob Soderberg, Trustee Kristen Borst

Excused: Trustee Rick Miller, Trustee Robert Warren

Also Present: Village Clerk Donna Ott, Village Attorney Brian Sajdak, Finance Director Matthew Uselding, Public Works Director Matthew Mortwedt, Fire Chief John Delain, Fire Battalion Chief Ryker Holmes

III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

IV. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Village President Soderberg spoke regarding the recent flooding; retiming the traffic lights on County Line Rd; "Operation Store Front" efforts; upcoming Christmas events; the ribbon cutting event at Green Bay Packaging; road construction updates; and the ongoing budget process.

V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS OF PUBLIC INTEREST / COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Trustees announced the dates and times of upcoming meetings and events.

- VI. **CITIZEN INPUT:** *(Please be advised per 19.84(2) that information and comment will be received from the public. It is the policy of this municipality that public input be limited to a four (4) minute period per person with a time extension granted at the discretion of the Chairperson. Be advised that there may be limited discussion of the information received but no action will be taken under public comments.) Comments that may be injurious to village personnel or other individuals will not be allowed.*

Lynne Bednarz (W156N10121 Pawnee Ct) spoke regarding the Village budget.

Melanie Smythe (N140W17938 Cedar Ln) spoke regarding New Business Item F (Renovation and Expansion of Fire Station 2), the Village budget, and thanked first responders for flood emergency management.

Village President Soderberg read the following citizen comments into the record:

- Bill and Carol Schneider submitted comments regarding New Business Item F (Renovation and Expansion of Fire Station 2).
- Members of Germantown Firefighters Local 4854 submitted comments regarding New Business Item F (Renovation and Expansion of Fire Station 2).

VII. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Minutes: August 18, 2025 (ACTION)

Motion: Approve as presented

Motioned By: Trustee Jan Miller

Seconded By: Trustee Cutts

Yes: Trustee Kaminski, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Jan Miller, Trustee Cutts, Village President Soderberg, Trustee Borst

No: None

Abstain: Trustee Baum

Motion Carried by Voice Vote (Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 1)

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

X. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Update on 2025 Storm Response including Debris Collection, FEMA Information Request and Well #7 (DISCUSSION)

Public Works Director Mortwedt provided an update on the 2025 storm response, including state and FEMA paperwork and filling, infrastructure damage estimates, Well #7 timeline, delayed projects, and the cost to dump approximately 250 tons of damaged material at Waste Management.

B. Application for a Temporary Class "B" / "Class B" Retailer's License - Germantown Historical Society's Oktoberfest 09/27/25-09/28/25 (ACTION)

Motion: Approve as presented

Motioned By: Trustee Cutts

Seconded By: Trustee Pieper

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Kaminski, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Jan Miller, Trustee Cutts, Village President Soderberg, Trustee Borst

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried by Voice Vote (Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)

C. Resolution Disallowing the Claim of Jessica Kucharski (ACTION)

Motion: Approve as presented

Motioned By: Trustee Baum

Seconded By: Trustee Kaminski

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Kaminski, Trustee Cutts, Village President Soderberg, Trustee Borst

No: Trustee Pieper, Trustee Jan Miller

Abstain: None

Motion Carried by Voice Vote (Yes 5, No 2, Abstained 0)

D. Acceptance of the Ruekert and Mielke Old Farm and Main Street Lift Station Study. (ACTION)

Motion: Approve as presented

Motioned By: Trustee Kaminski

Seconded By: Trustee Baum

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Kaminski, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Jan Miller, Trustee Cutts, Village President Soderberg, Trustee Borst

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried by Voice Vote (Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)

E. Approval of the Purchase of Right of Way from Holy Hill Self Storage for Improvements Related to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Richfield to Provide Sewer and Water Service (ACTION)

Motion: Approve as presented

Motioned By: Trustee Baum

Seconded By: Trustee Kaminski

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Kaminski, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Cutts, Village President Soderberg

No: Trustee Jan Miller, Trustee Borst

Abstain: None

Motion Carried by Roll Call Vote (Yes 5, No 2, Abstained 0)

F. Renovation and Expansion of Fire Station 2 (ACTION)

Fire Chief Delain provided insight regarding challenges with the current fire station and provided renovation plans for consideration.

Motion: Approve the retrofit of Fire Station 2 and ask the consultants to bring forward new plans that resolve current conflicts

Motioned By: Trustee Baum

Seconded By: Trustee Kaminski

Amended Motion: Include the demolition of the Survive Alive House

Motioned by: Trustee Baum

Seconded by: Trustee Kaminski

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Kaminski, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Jan Miller, Trustee Cutts, Village President Soderberg, Trustee Borst

No: None

Abstain: None

Amended Motion Carried by Voice Vote (Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)

G. Update to Fire Department's Billable Services Schedule (a/k/a billing rates) (ACTION)

Motion: Approve as presented

Motioned By: Trustee Baum

Seconded By: Trustee Pieper

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Kaminski, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Jan Miller, Trustee Cutts, Village President Soderberg, Trustee Borst

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried by Voice Vote (Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)

H. Presentation of 2026 Recommended Budget (DISCUSSION)

Finance Director Uselding presented the 2026 Recommended Budget and provided options for next steps.

The Village Board was presented with Option 1 (budget review at Committee of the Whole meetings) and Option 2 (budget review at standing committees with one final Committee of the Whole meeting); the Village Board recommended Option 2.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

Village President Soderberg adjourned the Village Board meeting at 9:10 PM.