

Village of Gilman

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Regular Meeting

Wednesday, April 9, 2025 6PM
Municipal Building
385 East Main Street
Gilman, WI 54433

Minutes

Village President Jane DeStaercke called the regular meeting to order in open session at 6:00PM. Board members present were Jane DeStaercke, Cheryl Rosemeyer, Mark Person, Russell Baker, Ericka Motte, and Dee Bornheimer. Robert Preston was absent. Village Clerk Candice Grunseth, Police Chief Tom Tallier and Public Works Director Dave Kroeplin were present. Mande Elliss of Star News was present.

Village Vice President Ericka Motte led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Special Order of Business: President Jane DeStaercke reported that it was Municipal Treasurers Appreciation Week and our Village Treasurer Frances Prasnicky was celebrating 40 years. Fran was present and announced she would be retiring on September 26, 2025. The Village Board thanked Fran for her time and dedication the past 40 years and Village Clerk Candice Grunseth presented a cake for her 40 years.

Public Comment:

Trustee Russell Baker made a motion to approve the following minutes along with a change and Trustee Mark Person seconded the motion: Regular Board Meeting March 12, 2025, Planning March 12 and March 25, 2025; Parks and Recreation on March 24, 2025; and Finance Committee on April 7, 2025; All were in favor.

A motion by Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer and seconded by Trustee Mark Person to approve the vouchers/bills as presented. POOLED CASH for SSCU 36290-36293 & FORWARD 15179-15227 and vouchers V1196-V1231, WRS/WDC/TASC/EFTPS/DOR, Journal Entries 573-575 and none for Restricted, CDBG, or RLF. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0-1(Preston).

Reports:

President Jane DeStaercke talked about the listening session on the 24th with Representative Summerfield. Jane reported that the Village received notice from DOA that they are going to regionalize the CDBG funds and that she and Village Clerk Candice Grunseth were attending a meeting on the 24th of April to learn more. Jane stated that Development member Lynn Rosemeyer applied for the T Mobile grant for the Gilman community that would be for trails at the school and village, redecking of the bridge, along with a kayak launch. Jane discussed the importance of DESIGN WI for the village and the positive attention it has brought the Village. She presented a plaque to Village Clerk Candice Grunseth on the work she has done for the Village for grants with WEDC. Candice received for the Village one for \$120,000 for FIX IT GRANT and \$250,000 for the IDLE SITE GRANT.

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Treasurer's Report – Fran Prasnicki had a written report that was in the packet for the fund balances for March 12, 2025 through April 8, 2025 for the pooled cash accounts at Forward and the other accounts. Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Trustee Mark Person seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Chief of Police Tom Tallier had written a report for the Board and noted 12 new complaints for March. He reported that new speed signage is up and this brought in the conversation of crosswalk signs by Mainstreet and 5th Avenue. Tom will be further discussing a crosswalk with the County and getting state permitted. This would be at the cost to the Village and the Board agreed was necessary.

Public Works Director Dave Kroepelin had a written report for the Village Board and reported on another main water break on 8th Avenue. Dave reported on meeting with WRA Brooke Klingbeil regarding testing and reporting.

Clerk's Report – A copy of the Clerk's report was in the Board packet for review. Village Clerk Candice Grunseth noted the election went well and invited the new board member to the meeting but she was unable to attend. Candice noted the updated Romig's lease agreement. Candice discussed Hazard Mitigation updates to the County plan. Candice finalized the SLFRF report from the ARPA/COVID funds. Candice noted the work WRA has been doing for the Village of Gilman. Candice noted the IDLE SITE GRANT award of \$250,000 and the FIX IT Grant from WEDC. Candice noted the Listening Session with Rep Summerfield and Senator Jesse James was held Monday March 24, 2025. Candice noted that she reached out Representative Summerfield on the DOA letter to regionalize the CDBG funds. Candice is concerned if they do this and send it to Spooner no one in the Gilman area will go to Spooner to request the funds. Candice reminded the board that all members should work to get the Capital Improvement plan updated. Candice asked everyone please read her report for more information.

Village Clerk Candice noted the Village is a quarter of the way into the year and the 2025 budget income at 17.78% and expenses at 19.45% and noted she reviewed this with Finance Committee. Candice also noted she went through the water and sewer budgets and asked if there are any questions and there were no questions.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Planning Committee – Village Clerk Candice Grunseth noted that Planning Committee did approve Jim Flood's zoning changes for the storage containers and buildings exceeding 1000 square feet. This will be on the agenda next month for the Village Board to approve. The committee had also approved their resolution for the comp plan and that was in the board's packet to review. The public hearing will be set for May 14, 2025 AT 5:30PM and Candice noted this was published, posted, and is on the website as well.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Russell Baker made a motion to approve the Arbor Day Proclamation and seconded by Trustee Dee Bornheimer. All were in favor. This is set for Friday April 25, 2025 at 12:30PM with the 4th grade class at the Gilman School.

Trustee Russell Baker made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-02 Depository and Trustee Ericka Mottee seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0-1(Preston absent).

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Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer made a motion to approve the DNR Recycling Compliance Assurance Plan and seconded by Trustee Mark Person. We need this each year to apply for the recycling grant. All were in favor.

Trustee Dee Bornheimer made a motion to approve Romig's Parking Lease Agreement and Trustee Russell Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0-1(Preston absent). This needed to be updated with the new lease agreement amounts from the railroad and Romig's.

Trustee Russell Baker made a motion to approve the two Operator's Licenses for Gilman Retail/Snak Atak and these were seconded by Trustee Dee Bornheimer. Police Chief Tom Tallier did the background checks as well. All were in favor.

President Jane DeStaercke made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 committee lists and Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer made to nominate Ericka Motte as Vice President and President Jane DeStaercke seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Trustee Russell Baker made a motion to approve the Village using Crexi to promote the Industrial Park Land and Trustee Ericka Motte seconded the motion. Crexi is an online source to place the land for sale with no cost to the Village. All were in favor

Committee dates were set as follows:

Finance committee on May 12, 2025 @ 3:00PM

Parks meeting on Monday April 21, 2025 @ 6PM

Improvements on May 7, 2025 at 4PM

Public Safety, Tree Board Plan Commission, and Personnel are not scheduled.

Agenda Items: Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Changes and Street Construction on Gilman Drive.

The meeting adjourned at 7:01pm motion from Trustee Dee Bornheimer and seconded by Trustee Ericka Motte. Motion carried all in favor.

Candice Grunseth, WCMC

Village Clerk