VILLAGE OF SIREN – VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2026

MINUTES

The Regular Village Board meeting held on February 25, 2026, was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Village President Steve Young who turned the meeting over to Trustee Kelly Gunderson to run.

Members Present: Dave Doty Sr., Kelly Gunderson, Ed Johnson (via Zoom), Sara Reimann, John Tinman (via Zoom), Steve Young (via Zoom)

Members Absent: Nick Haessly

Others Present: Ann Peterson, Clerk/Treasurer; Jim Jaskolka; Public Works Director; Trevor Thiex, Police Chief; Eric Barclay, MSA (via Zoom); Becky Strabel, Burnett County Sentinel (via Zoom); Sarah Radomsky, Inter County Leader

Trustee Gunderson called for Public Comments. None were offered.

A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by Sara Reimann to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Ed Johnson and seconded by Steve Young to approve the Regular Village Board meeting of January 28, 2026. All in favor, motion carried.
A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by Sara Reimann to approve the minutes from the Special Village Board meeting of February 3, 2026. All in favor, motion carried.
A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by Sara Reimann to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting of February 18, 2026. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by Sara Reimann to approve payment of the bills in the amount of $121,281.67 general vouchers and checks cut since the last regularly scheduled board meeting in the amount of $488,284.18 for a grand total of $609,565.85. Motion carried without negative vote.

President Young had nothing for the President's Report.

Clerk/Treasurer Peterson reported that there will be a preconstruction meeting for the Water Tower Rehab portion of the Water Projects on Tuesday March 31st at 11:00 a.m. There is a Teams meeting invite that can be forwarded to any Board members who wish to attend; otherwise, it will be available at Village Hall.

Chief Thiex gave the Police Report. The Burnett County Traffic Safety Committee met earlier this month and there was no update on the date of the pre-construction meeting. The State of Wisconsin did indicate they will not put funds toward the cross-walk lights.

Board member John Tinman gave the Siren Fire Association Report. His topic will be addressed under new business.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

Committee of the Whole
A motion was made by John Tinman and seconded Steve Young by to have REM Inspecting do the permitting for any project in the Village that requires electrical, plumbing, or gas work in addition to the current one-or-two family UDC permits. The

Board discussed REM's question on including any HVAC work instead of just gas and they would like to keep it as stated and it is only for new construction or additions. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by John Tinman that the Village NOT requires building permits for projects such as doors, shingles, siding, windows, etc. where they are being replaced with similar sizes and materials. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by Steve Young to approve the quote from NWEC to move the electrical service at the Water Tower at a cost of $26,736. The Village will also be responsible for pouring the cement pad for the electrical ped to sit on. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by John Tinman and seconded by Sara Reimann to replace the engine in the 2021 Dodge Durango at a cost of $10,327.08. Trustee Doty confirmed with Chief Thiex that by replacing the engine the squad should be able to stay in service for a minimum of one to two additional years beyond its scheduled replacement in 2027. Chief Thiex confirmed this. Motion carried 5-1 (Johnson voting nay).

A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by Sara Reimann to sign the State Municipal Agreement for the 2029 State Road 70 project at a cost of $16,050. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board previously discussed the request by DeSantis to waive the Pollution Control Insurance requirements for the Water Loop Project. The Village's Insurance Broker, RG Flath from Spectrum advised against waiving the requirement and he was able to work with DeSantis to secure the proper insurance, so no action was needed on this agenda topic. Eric Barclay from MSA indicated that his was a requirement of the bid so there should be no additional costs to the Village for this insurance.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by John Tinman that the discussion on the updated job description for the Land Use Inspector/Zoning Administrator be tabled until the Personnel & Finance Committee has a chance to review the document. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by Steve Young to approve Pay Request #7 for B&B Electric in the amount of $22,235. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by John Tinman and seconded by Dave Doty Sr. to approve the proposed changes to the Intermunicipal Cooperation Agreement for Fire Protection Services. The proposed changes relate back to the dates to align with when Board members get elected by the municipalities and actions occur within the operation of the Fire Association. The other changes eliminated an age limit for Fire Department personnel to being physically able to perform the job duties and allows for an option for meetings to be attended via Zoom. All in favor, motion carried.

The meeting schedule was set as follows:

a. Buildings, Grounds & Parks Committee: To be set if needed.
b. Personnel & Finance Committee: March 18th at 4:00 p.m.
c. Public Safety Committee: To be set if needed.

d.	Streets & Utilities Committee:	To be set if needed.
e.	Planning Commission:	To be set if needed
f.	Board of Appeals:	April 21st at 9:00 a.m.
g.	Tourism Commission:	March 11th at 9:00 a.m.
h.	Ball Park Committee:	May 6th at 6:00 p.m.
i.	Board of Review:	May 5th from 10:00 - noon

A motion was made by Dave Doty Sr. and seconded by Sara Reimann to adjourn the Village Board Meeting at 4:52 p.m. Motion carried without negative vote.

Submitted by Ann L Peterson, WCMC/CMTW
Village Clerk/Treasurer

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