

**Committee of the Whole Meeting
Public Works Committee
April 28, 2026 – 7:00 a.m.
Village Board Room**

Attendance

Committee Members:	
Annette LaMore, Mayor	x
Mike Barry, Trustee	
CJ Boudreau, Trustee	x
Peggy Vaughn, Trustee	
Todd Crockett, Trustee	x
Joel Gesky, Trustee	x
Annette Zimbelman, Trustee	
Other Attendees:	
Chris LaRocque, Village Admin	x
Jim Hanley, Super of PW	x
Allen Pickrel, Village Clerk	
Sheila Martin, Treasurer	x
Al Swinford, Chief of Police	x
Ashley Peterson, Community Relations Di	x
Bruce Hill, HR Green	x

The meeting was opened by Trustee Crockett at 7:00 a.m.

MOTION: A motion by Trustee Boudreau seconded by Trustee Gesky , to approve the minutes from March 24, 2026, meeting as presented. Voice vote – All ayes, No nays. Motion approved.

No public participation.

No action items.

Discussion Items:

- **East Baker Sidewalk** – A request to extend sidewalk that was recently put in on East Baker Street, there is 30ft deemed as village alleyway. There is a sidewalk on both sides of Village alleyway property, John Tamblyn owns property on one side and said he would do any grading he needs to be done on his property. Cost would be \$500 in concrete and \$50 in stone, total \$750.00 in materials and then labor. Public works will dig it out and install sidewalk. Mayor requested to have this put on the agenda to be voted on Monday.
- **Project Updates** – Pavilion at the Square- log walls systems are up, inside ceiling, and walls are framed going to set trusses this week. Heritage Park - soccer shed concrete pad has been poured going to start framing, dugouts fenced in sections going to be done today. Leahy storm sewer is supposed to be finishing today with final asphalts patch. Heritage Park storm sewer projects final restoration is done just waiting to see how grass

takes with all the rain and then close out. Legacy Park phase 2 final punch list is getting put together this week into next week. Waiting to see if trees start budding soon, then can close project. The 2026 MFT Project - bid opening May 8th at the Village Hall and will award on May 18th if prices are good and a mid-to-late June start date for the project. Three bidders for projects so far KVCC, Gallagher and one other. Should be able to finish before the start of school.

- **Main St. Tree Replacement** – Trustee Gesky asked for this to be put on agenda, trees across from funeral home are dead and some of the trees look bad. Asked Jim to get prices and Trustee Barry said he had a supplier that might be able to get trees for less. Jim is waiting to hear back from Trustee Barry and Vital. If trees don't get replaced within the next month we will have to wait until next year. Jim thinks cost will be around \$1000.00 per tree and approximately 9 trees need to be replaced. Jim is going to get a per tree price to replace the dead trees with three different species of trees. Trustee Gesky would like this on Monday's agenda. Trustee Crockett would like Andrew to come up with a report with which trees need to be replaced and with what new trees.
- **Public Works Equipment** – Trustee Barry was working on a lease option for new truck still waiting on that. Current 08 International is still down and requires a new transmission that will be a minimum of \$7500.00, possibility the transmission may still have issues. Jim reached out to Ford and got a price on a 750 gas truck with 10ft blade. \$187,000 can reach out to Source Well they may come in a little cheaper. \$275,000 was allocated in the road and bridge fund for a new truck. Trustee Crockett would like the new truck to be put on the agenda. Committee had a discussion on why the truck needs to be replaced. Trustee Gesky is in favor of the leasing but not sure if the truck they can rent is a big enough truck. Would like Jim to find out if we can lease a big truck before we vote on a new truck. Jim will reach out to Trustee Barry to see if he has gotten any more information.
- **General Discussion** – Trustee Crockett said we have talked about redoing the landscaping at Village Hall and said Trustee Barry was supposed to get a quote and asked Jim if he has gotten yet. Jim said he had not seen anything yet. Trustee Crockett said we need to do something with landscaping, Jim said we would need a get a design to get a quote. Discussion about taking out landscaping that looks bad and just put grass in to have it look nice. Landscaping is the original from when building was bought, and grass is growing in landscaping. This same discussion was had last summer and would like to maybe just put down grass. Mayor would like to have more discussion on this at another meeting. Trustee Boudreau asked where the Deputy Clerk is and Mayor said she got a new job and just had let her know, they are going to be appointing someone new. Dawn is taking notes for the meeting today. Today in Rock Creek at the Wildflower Prairie Grass area the group is doing a dedication at 3:15.

Motion by Trustee Gesky, seconded by Trustee Boudreau to adjourn meeting at 7:30 a.m.
Voice vote: all ayes, no nays.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dawn Gesky