



Village of Howards Grove
Board Meeting
Tuesday October 17, 2023 @ 5:45 PM
Howards Grove Village Hall
913 S. Wisconsin Dr., Howards Grove, Wisconsin
Board Minutes

- I. Call board meeting to Order: President Wuestenhagen called the meeting to order at 5:46 PM.
- II. Verification of Meeting Duly Noticed – It was verified that the meeting was duly noticed.
- III. Roll Call: Present were President Wuestenhagen, Trustees Abler, Carlson, Horness, Meyer, Pieper, and Trustee Sixel joined in at 5:48 PM. Also in attendance were Director of Public Works Welsing and Clerk Treasurer Komoroski.
- IV. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes: September 19, 2023: Motion to approve the September 19, 2023 meeting minutes as written was made by Trustee Carlson, seconded by Trustee Pieper. NFD. Motion carried.
- V. Public Comments and Correspondence

Note: under Public Comment The public can comment on any topic, but state open meeting laws do not allow for any discussion or action to be taken on issues not listed on the agenda.

Public Comment is limited to 2 minutes per resident.
- VI. Approve 2024 Sheriff Contract: The 2024 contract calls for 20 hours a week at \$51.50 an hour, up from last year by \$1.50 an hour. Motion made by Trustee Meyer to approve the 2024 Sheriff Contract. Seconded by Trustee Pieper. NFD. Motion carried.
- VII. Update on property violations at 1807 Mapletree Rd.: There is still some cleanup needed in the swale in the backyard, but they have made improvements on the other violations. If they can get the swale cleaned up, they will be in compliance and no further action will be needed.
- VIII. Discuss/Approve DOT letter regarding Hwy 32 road improvement: Per recommendation of the Director of Public Works Director Welsing a motion was made by Trustee Sixel to approve the DOT letter, seconded by Trustee Carlson. NFD. Motion carried.



- IX. Per recommendation from the Planning Commission, approve submitted application for Permitted Use from Fringe Benefits Thrift Store, Inc. Property address is 820 Madison Ave.: Motion to approve the permitted use application from Fringe Benefits Thrift Store, Inc. was made by Trustee Sixel. Seconded by Trustee Carlson. NFD. Motion carried.
- X. Discuss/Approve sale of parcel #59135641001 per recommendation of Finance Committee: Motion to approve the sale of parcel #59135641001 at fair market value was made by Trustee Carlson, seconded by Trustee Sixel. NFD. Motion carried.
- XI. Discuss/Approve the purchase of Badger Books by recommendation from Finance committee: Motion made by Trustee Carlson to approve the purchase of Badger Books. Seconded by Trustee Sixel. NFD. Motion carried.
- XII. Discuss/Approve garbage user fees per the recommendation of the Finance Committee and approve Resolution 2023-04: After a rundown of the increasing cost of garbage and recycling a motion was made by Trustee Sixel, seconded by Trustee Pieper to approve garbage user fees and refer the logistics of billing back to the finance committee. NFD. Motion carried.
- XIII. Discuss/Approve Fire Department building obligations: Per the recommendation of the Finance Committee a motion was made by Trustee Carlson to approve the replacement of windows at the fire station and replacement of a window and a door at the Public Works Department building. Seconded by Trustee Pieper. NFD. Motion carried.
- XIV. Discuss/Approve updating/modifying village ordinance §158-12 Prohibited and protected animals, fowl, reptiles and insects: After a lengthy discussion a motion was made by Trustee Carlson to refer this to the Finance committee to discuss the licensing and fine tuning. Seconded by Trustee Sixel. NFD. Motion carried.
- XV. Discuss/Approve recommendation of the Finance Committee regarding Klemme sewer refund: The finance committee is recommending a refund of \$2,860.00 to be paid to Klemme's Wagon Wheel now that the building has been deemed non-operational as a restaurant. Motion made by Trustee Abler to approve the refund of \$2,860.00, seconded by Trustee Carlson. NFD. Vote was 5 approve, 2 opposed, motion carried.
- XVI. Approve Log Cabin LLC liquor license application. Motion made by Trustee Carlson to approve the Log Cabin LLC liquor license application. Seconded by Trustee Pieper. NFD. Motion carried.
- XVII. Approve transient merchant application from Samuel O'Reilly, Sidex Corp of WI: Motion made by Trustee Sixel to deny approval of the transient merchant

