

**VILLAGE OF LAC LA BELLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR VILLAGE MEETING AGENDA MINUTES**

**Monday, July 21, 2025**

President Robert C. Hultquist called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Trustees present include John Koepke, John Roelandts, Erik Mullett and V.J. Scully. Also in attendance were Police Chief Kristen Wraalstad and Administrator Jeffrey Herrmann. Highway Superintendent Sam Salzman and Clerk/Treasurer Lori Opitz were excused. For additional attendees please see the sign-in sheet.

Those present stood to recite The Pledge of Allegiance

**Approve Meeting Minutes from July 7, 2025, regular meeting the July 7, 2025, joint meeting with Plan Commission.** – Trustee Mullett made the motion to approve the regular meeting and joint meeting minutes from July 7, 2025, as presented. Trustee Roelandts seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

**Correspondence.** None

**Comments from the Floor on Agenda items or any other items.**

Tim Andringa, from Cramer Multhauf Attorney's, is representing his client and would like to address some issues regarding line item #3 and would like to speak when the Board is on that item. President Hultquist stated he would allow it.

Greg Wong, N53W34214 Road Q stated he would like to speak regarding line #3 when the Board is on that item. President Hultquist stated he would allow it.

Attorney Chris Gutschenritter, representing Rick and Ginny Pease of 466 Lac La Belle Drive prepared a formal letter regarding the M.O.U. and he asks the Village refrain from taking any action on the lot sale and reaffirm their commitment to procedural integrity and public-interest decision making before authorizing any permanent transfer of protected municipal land.

Chris Gutschenritter, W378N5809 Farmwood Heights, stated the 400 Block of Lac La Belle is public owned, it is environmentally sensitive land, and the Village should preserve rather than divide.

Ginny Pease, 466 Lac La Belle Drive, she is one of the homes on the 400 Block of Lac La Belle and she did not sign the M.O.U because of the lack of understanding and how it was presented. She also read a letter from a neighbor that was unable to make the meeting.

Jeff Ritter, Lac La Belle Drive, stated that 13 out of 14 homes have signed the M.O.U and they are looking to preserve the property; it needs to be cleaned up and that area is a big disaster waiting to happen.

Sandy Schick, W340N4931 Road O, thanked the Board the way they handled the merger between the two municipalities and thinks the name should be "Village of Lake Country".

Marv Berg, W353N6220 Marina Drive, stated he is on the agenda for the fireworks permit and is here if anyone has any questions regarding it.

Hans Weissgerber, 34625 Spring Bank Road, stated when the merger between the Village of Lac La Belle and the Town of Oconomowoc happened, he personally does not feel the name Village of Lac La Belle represents the area; he went through the years each municipality was established. He feels it should be called "Village of Oconomowoc".

Doug Larsen, N53W35427 Road Q, stated he is here for line item #3 and does not feel that parking should be in a public right-of-way.

Rick Pease, 466 Lac La Belle, he stated he is here for the M.O.U. and feels that there should be a meeting to have more discussion regarding it. He also read a letter from Bruce Nattinger who is on the Lac La Belle Management District.

Tim Clark, 270 Lac La Belle Drive, stated he is the President of the Ad Hoc Committee, and the April 28<sup>th</sup> minutes reflect the approval from the Board on the M.O.U. subject to receiving all the signatures on the M.O.U.

Kyle, from Seasonal Services, spoke about the Wong residence and is at the meeting to answer any kind of questions people may have.

Scott Johnson, 518 Lac La Belle Drive, stated he is here for the M.O.U. and does not feel it is a united plan, and it should be kept as a large parcel.

Robert Conley, 516 Lac La Belle Drive, stated he is here regarding the M.O.U. and is a member of the Lac La Belle foundation and he made an offer to purchase the land because there are dangerous trees that are falling in that area, and it needs to be cleaned up.

Mark Wille, 133 Saeger Avenue, he was a previous Village member for over 35 years, and it is important for the properties on the 400 block for lake quality and preserving the corridor.

Mike Schick, W340N4931 Road O, thinks if the police chief feels that there should be speed bumps on Lake Drive then they should be installed.

Lisa Conley, 516 Lac La Belle Drive, stated she does not feel dividing the property in the 400 block is a good idea and there will not be proper management.

Jerry Perrault, 320 Lac La Belle Drive, stated he feels there should be other options for the property in the 400-block other than the M.O.U.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Consider and Act on appointing Courtney Gutschenritter to Plan Commission.** – Trustee Scully made the motion to approve appointing Courtney Gutschenritter to the Plan Commission. Trustee Koepke seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Consider and Act on installing speed bumps on W. Lake Drive by Foolery's.** – Trustee Mullett made the motion to approve installing speed bumps on W. Lake Drive by Foolery's from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Trustee Kopeke seconded the motion to open up discussion. Motion Failed.
3. **Consider and Act on a revocable occupancy permit for the Wong residence, N53W34214 Road Q to have a retaining wall in the right-of-way.** – After considerable discussion, Trustee Mullett made the motion and asked the owner and the neighbor to work out a solution that is in the best interest of both parties. Trustee Roelandts seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Consider and Act on letter of credit reduction for East Woodlake to \$77,200.00.** – Trustee Scully made the motion to approve the letter of credit reduction for East Woodlake to \$77,200.00. Trustee Mullett seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
5. **Consider and Act on CDBG Agreement with Waukesha County.** – Trustee Scully made the motion to approve the CDBG Agreement with Waukesha County. Trustee Roelandts seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
6. **Consider and Act on employee handbook and WRS comp-time.** – No action was taken.
7. **Consider and Act on soccer lease.** – After a brief discussion, Trustee Scully made the motion to approve the soccer lease but wants added into the lease that the Barn at Trinity Peak can use the parking lot at no charge to them, any repairs that are needed that repairs are done by a licensed contractor and the word "lessoree" get changed to lessor. Trustee Mullett seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
8. **Consider and Act on firework permit for Wolverine Fireworks Display, Inc. N2849 Co. Road E, Palmyra to use fireworks for pyrotechnics display at W353N6220 Marina Drive on August 16, 2025, at 9:15 p.m.** – President Hultquist approved the firework permit for Wolverine Fireworks Display, Inc. N2849 Co. Road E, Palmyra to use fireworks for pyrotechnics display at W353N6220 Marina Drive on August 16, 2025, at 9:15 p.m.

9. **Consider and Act on application No. 1 for the Force Main Replacement Project for the Mary Lane Sanitary District in the amount of \$167,966.54.** – Trustee Roelandts made the motion to approve application No. 1 for the Force Main Replacement Project for the Mary Lane Sanitary District in the amount of \$167,966.54. Trustee Mullett seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
10. **Consider and Act on the 2025 Sewer Cleaning & Televising for the Mary Lane Sanitary District in the amount of \$5,767.32.** – Trustee Scully made the motion to approve the 2025 sewer cleaning and televising for the Mary Lane Sanitary District in the amount of \$5,767.32. Trustee Koepke seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
11. **Consider and Act on sewer rec for Pete Pronold at W343N5097 Gietzen Road.** – No action was taken.
12. **Consider and Act on permission for Fred Manske, N52W34209 Gietzen Road, to locate a waterline under Gietzen Road.** – Administrator Herrmann stated that he recommends that the Village Attorney draft up an agreement that the Village would not be responsible if repairs are needed and suggested having the Village Engineer to look at it to make sure it is deep enough. After some discussion, Trustee Scully made the motion to approve Fred Manske, N52W34209 Gietzen Road to locate a waterline under Gietzen Road with the recommendations that were outlined by Administrator Herrmann. Trustee Mullett seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
13. **Consider and Act on the offer to purchase from Prestwick Properties for approximately 1.496 acres land known as Tax Key No. LLV 0505999014 in the Village of Lac La Belle.** – Trustee Mullett made the motion to approve the offer to purchase from Prestwick Properties for approximately 1.496 acres land known as Tax Key No. LLV 0505999014 in the Village of Lac La Belle. Trustee Scully seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
14. **Consider and Act on proceeding forward with the 13 properties from the Historic Village that signed the M.O.U.** – No action was taken.
15. **President Hultquist.**
  - a. **Discussion on potential name change.** – This was discussed during public comments
16. **Trustee Reports.**
  - a. **John Koepke.** – Nothing to report
  - b. **VJ Scully.** – He attended the Folds of Honor event and stated it was a class act event
  - c. **Erik Mullett.** – Nothing to report
  - d. **John Roelandts.** – Nothing to report
17. **Public Works Superintendent Salzman.** – Excused
18. **Chief Wraalstad.** – Spoke about the triathlon and the tie-up.
19. **Administrator Herrmann** – Nothing to report
20. **Clerk/Treasurer Opitz.** – Excused
21. **Approve Vouchers and Checks.** – Trustee Mullett made the motion to approve vouchers and checks subject to Administrator Herrmann's approval. Trustee Koepke seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
22. **The Board will enter, by roll call vote, into Closed Session pursuant to State Statue 19.85(1)(g) conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved (City of Oconomowoc & Western Lakes Fire Department ownership update).**

Trustee Roelandts made the motion and Trustee Koepke seconded to go into Closed Session at 8:20 p.m. Voice Vote was taken – President Hultquist, aye; Trustee Koepke, aye; Trustee Roelandts, aye; Trustee Mullett, aye; Trustee Scully, aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Roelandts made the motion and Trustee Scully seconded to go into Open Session at 9:09 p.m. Voice Vote was taken – President Hultquist, aye; Trustee Koepke, aye; Trustee Roelandts, aye; Trustee Mullett, aye; Trustee Scully, aye. Motion carried.

#### **Reconvene into Open Session**

23. **Adjourn.** – Trustee Roelandts made the motion to adjourn at 9:02 p.m. President Hultquist seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted –  
Lori Opitz, WCMC  
Clerk/Treasurer