

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

Monday, December 1, 2025

Acting President John Roelandts called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Trustee's present included John Koepke, Erik Mullett and V.J. Scully. Also in attendance were Police Chief Kristen Wraalstad and Administrator Jeffrey Herrmann. President Robert C. Hultquist, 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 regular Meeting Minutes from November 3, 2025. – Trustee Mullett made the motion to approve the November 3, 2025, meeting minutes as presented. Trustee Koepke seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Correspondence. – Administrator Herrmann stated the Board had a copy of the revised aerator ordinance, an updated poll worker list and a copy of the Financial and Audit insights for the “historic” Village of Lac La Belle.

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

Patty Napgezok, W348N6079 California Avenue, spoke about the sewer charges on the tax bill and the current memo that stated it will not be put on the tax bill this year but will be on the tax bill. She also stated that during the November 3rd meeting the Board agreed to not put it on the tax bills and they were going to look for other options and encourage the Board to find alternative options.

Wayne Euclide, N63W37858 Burtonwood, gave an update regarding the County and the County budget and feels the County and Village work well together and he will be running again and wants to continue the great relationship with the Village.

Scott Johnson, 518 Lac La Belle Drive, wanted to know the payment amount for clearing the area of the 400 Block, who authorized it and why it was cleared.

Lisa Conley, 516 Lac La Belle Drive, stated that fallen/dead trees play an indispensable role in maintaining ecological balance within the forest ecosystem and feels the work that has been done already in the area is a zoning violation.

Keith Granum, N53W34296 Road Q, commended the Highway Department on the job they have been doing with plowing the roads.

Rick Pease, 466 Lac La Belle Drive, stated while clearing the area was being done, there were no silt fences or buffers to protect the lake area.

Larry Rickert, 486 Lac La Belle Drive, stated it has been a well thought out and well-planned removal of what has been done in the 400 Block area.

Gail Bryant, 454 Lac La Belle Drive, agrees with Larry Rickerts statements and read a letter from the Lindsey family stating they were very encouraged with the work that has already been done in the area and can't wait to see the end results.

Jeff Ritter, 468 Lac La Belle Drive, stated he has been working with the arborist on this project and what has been removed needs to be removed.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. **Introduction and official oath of police officer Jayden Schmidt and Andrew Wipperman.** – Official oath was given to both police officers.
2. **Recorded Presentation by Wendi Unger, Baker Tilley, on 2024 Village of Lac La Belle Final Audit.** – Recorded presentation was not given; a copy of the audit report was given.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Consider and Act on 2026 Road Program**. – No action was taken
2. **Consider and Act on cameras at the yard waste center**. – No action was taken
3. **Consider and Act on Payment for Tree/Brush Removal for the 400 Block of Lac La Belle Drive**. – No action was taken
4. **Consider and Act on Amendment to Ordinance relating to the use of Aerators on Inland Waters in the Village of Lac la Belle**. – Trustee Mullett made the motion to approve the amendment to ordinance relating to the use of aerators on inland waters in the Village of Lac La Belle. Trustee Scully seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Chief Bowen's Report**. – Excused
2. **Consider and Act on Final Payment to Wolf Paving for the 2025 Road Program in the amount of \$2,100.00**. – Trustee Scully made the motion to approve the final payment to Wolf Paving for the 2025 road program in the amount of \$2,100.00. Trustee Koepke seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
3. **Consider and Act on Proposed Bid of \$12,500.00 from Krizsan's Tree Removal Service, Inc. for removal of Tree and Brush on Village Owned Property**. – No action was taken
4. **Consider and Act on Memorandum of Understanding between the Village of Lac La Belle and the Wisconsin Elections Commission for Badger Books**. – Trustee Koepke made the motion to approve the memorandum of understanding between the Village of Lac La Belle and the Wisconsin Elections Commission for Badger Books. Trustee Mullett seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
5. **Consider and Act on Establishing Impact Fee Ordinance for Western Lakes Fire District for Future Administrative Offices and a Fire Station Apparatus Bay**. – Trustee Mullett made the motion to establishing an impact fee ordinance for Western Lakes Fire District for future administrative offices and a fire station apparatus bay. Trustee Koepke seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
6. **Consider and Act on Budget Amendment to transfer \$103,000.00 from the "General Fund" to the "Capital Outlay Public Works Equipment Fund" for the New Loader**. – Trustee Scully made the motion to approve the budget amendment to transfer \$103,000.00 from the general fund to the capital outlay public works equipment fund for the new loader. Trustee Mullett seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
7. **Consider and Act on signage at the Community Center**. – No action was taken
8. **Consider and Act on Resolution 2025-29; Resolution approving municipal court budget**. – Trustee Scully made the motion to approve resolution 2025-29; resolution approving the municipal court budget. Trustee Koepke seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
9. **Consider and Act on Class A Beer Liquor License for Theatre of Oconomowoc, LTD d/b/a The Box Theatre Co. W359N5920 Brown Street, Unit 101, Oconomowoc, Allison Chicorel, agent from December 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026**. – Trustee Mullett made the motion to approve the Class A Beer Liquor license for Theatre of Oconomowoc, LTD d/b/a The Boad Theatre Co., Allison Chicorel, agent from December 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026. Trustee Scully seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
10. **Consider and Act on Canceling December 15th, 2025 Village Board Meeting**. – Trustee Mullett made the motion to cancel the December 15th, 2025, Village Board meeting. Trustee Koepke seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
11. **Consider and Act on President Hultquist to appoint Election Inspectors for the 2026-2027 Election Cycle (See attached list)**. – Trustee Mullett made the motion to approve the attached list of election inspectors for the 2026-2027 election cycle subject to President Hultquist approval. Trustee Scully seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
12. **President Hultquist**. - Excused
13. **Trustee Reports**.
 - a. **John Koepke**. – Thanked the Highway and Police Department for getting the Village through the storm.
 - b. **VJ Scully**. – Nothing to report
 - c. **Erik Mullett**. – Reminded everyone of the tree lighting in Okauchee on December 2nd
 - d. **John Roelandts**. – Nothing to report
14. **Public Works Superintendent Salzman**. – Nothing to report

15. **Chief Wraalstad**. – stated Matt Hompson from the ATV committee is holding a fund raiser to raise money to purchase an ATV for the Police Department
16. **Administrator Herrmann** – Nothing to report
17. **Clerk/Treasurer Opitz**. – Excused
18. **Approve Vouchers and Checks**. – Trustee Mullett made the motion to approve vouchers and checks subject to Administrator Herrmann's approval. Trustee Scully seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
19. **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).**

Trustee Scully made the motion and Trustee seconded to go into Closed Session at 7:42 p.m. Voice Vote was taken – President Hultquist, excused; Trustee Kopke, aye; Acting President Roelandts, aye; Trustee Mullett, aye; Trustee Scully, aye. Motion Carried.

Trustee Mullett made the motion and Trustee Koepke seconded to go into Open Session at 8:27 p.m. Voice Vote was taken – President Hultquist, excused; Trustee Koepke, aye; Acting President Roelandts, aye; Trustee Mullett, aye; Trustee Scully, aye. Motion carried.

Reconvene into Open Session

20. **Adjourn**. – Trustee Scully made the motion to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Acting President Roelandts seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted –
Lori Opitz, WCMC
Clerk/Treasurer