

**VILLAGE BOARD OF CLEVELAND, WISCONSIN
SPECIAL MEETING**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025

MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL/AGENDA APPROVAL.** Village President Jarrod Jackett called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance at 5:31pm on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, at the Cleveland Village Hall, 1150 W Washington Ave, Cleveland, Wisconsin.

Board Present: Jarrod Jackett, Village President
John Ader
Rob Burkhard
Jon Hoffman
Jake Holzward
Becky Paasch
Tom Warosh

Board Absent: None

Staff Present: Stacy Grunwald, Director of Village Services

Motion Warosh/Burkhard to approve the agenda; carried without negative vote.

II. YEAR 2026 BUDGET

- A. BUDGET REVIEW.** President Jackett opened Village Board discussion on the General Fund, Water Utility, and Sewer Utility budgets. He noted the Board had looked at each budget separately, had multiple weeks for review and to get additional information and answers to questions from staff. Trustee Burkhard noted he had discussed the budgets with Director Grunwald throughout the process, reviewed all three of the meeting's budget drafts for three hours, and found the Board's changes had been incorporated. Director Grunwald added the only significant change not specifically reviewed by the Board was an update to health insurance expenses to reflect the work hours allocations prepared by Director of Public Works Chris Jost and family coverage estimates. A health insurance line item was only changed if the adjustment would be difficult to absorb within that specific budget section.

- B. PUBLIC HEARING.** Motion Burkhard/Ader to open the floor for the public hearing; carried without negative vote.

Sheryl Nehls, 1424 Webster Ln. Ms. Nehls stated she didn't have much time to look at the budget but saw about \$145,000 was identified for transfer to the Park Improvement fund and wanted to know the project it was for. President Jackett explained the Village Board needed to commit an accumulation of unassigned funds from prior years and chose to add the money to the park fund. There were multiple possible expenses, including the boat launch, pickleball courts, or security cameras. Trustee Ader agreed, noting the money was committed to be spent but not scheduled to be spent. Trustee Burkhard added the Village was pursuing grant funding for some of the projects. The money wasn't in the general fund to be spent, but the grants or donations come together, it could be used for a project.

Kyle Wallander, 782 Linden St. Mr. Wallander stated he liked the budgets as written.

Motion Holzward/Burkhard to close the floor; carried without negative vote.

- C. DISCUSSION/ACTION.** President Jackett summarized prior discussion and asked the Board if there were any further questions. There being none, he asked for a motion to adopt the budgets. Motion Holzward/Burkhard to adopt the 2026 General Fund/Water Utility/Sewer Utility budgets as written; carried with one negative vote (Paasch.) Trustee Paasch explained she wasn't comfortable voting for the budgets due to having insufficient time to review them and reconcile the variance in numbers between budget versions. Director Grunwald noted much of the variance would be due to having incomplete information in the early versions. Trustee Holzward thought these were the best budgets since he joined the Board—no tax or rate increases, no new debt, and funds available to commit for future projects.

III. YEAR 2025 PROPERTY TAX LEVY

- A. 2025 PROPERTY TAX RATES AND CREDITS.** Director Grunwald referred the Village Board to the presentation on November 25, 2025, and noted there was no change in the values since that time. The Village Board had no questions.

- B. SET 2025 PROPERTY TAX LEVY.** Motion Holzward/Burkhard to set the 2025 property tax levy at \$650,164.00. Roll call—all ayes. Motion carried. [Resolution No. 2025-R-16]

- V. SET MEETING DATE, IF NEEDED.** No meeting was needed.

- VI. ADJOURNMENT.** Motion Ader/Hoffman to adjourn; carried without negative vote. The meeting adjourned at 5:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Grunwald
Director of Village Services

Approved on 12/16/2025