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Village Office - 2990 South Pine Tree Road, Hobart, WI

Notice is hereby given according to State Statutes that the VILLAGE BOARD of the Village of Hobart will meet on **Tuesday May 19th 2026**, at 6:00 P.M. at the Village Office (2990 South Pine Tree Road). NOTICE OF POSTING:  
Posted May 15<sup>th</sup> 2026, at the Hobart Village Office and on the village website.

## **MEETING NOTICE – VILLAGE BOARD (Regular)**

**Date/Time: Tuesday May 19<sup>th</sup> 2026 (6:00 P.M.)**

**Location: Hobart Village Office (2990 South Pine Tree Road)**

Village Board of Trustees: Richard Heidel (President), David Dillenburg, Vanya Koepke, Tammy Zittlow, Melissa Tanke

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### **ROUTINE ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:**

1. Call to order/Roll Call.
2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda
3. Pledge of Allegiance

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### **4. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**5. CONSENT AGENDA (These items may be approved on a single motion and vote due to their routine nature or previous discussion. Please indicate to the Board President if you would prefer separate discussion and action.)**

**A. Payment of Invoices (Page 3); B. VILLAGE BOARD: Minutes of May 5<sup>th</sup> 2026 (Regular) (Page 8); C. PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION: Minutes of March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2026 (Page 11); D. PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Minutes of April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2026 (Page 12)**

### **6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

**7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS/RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS (Please limit comments to no more than 3 minutes)**

**A. SWEARING IN – Officer Bryce Nelsen to the Hobart-Lawrence Police Department**

### **8. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **A. INFORMATION**

1. Wisconsin League of Municipalities End of Session Legislation Summary (Page 13)
2. 2026-2027 Liquor & Cigarette License Applications (Page 25)
3. Village Investment Report (Page 26)

### **9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS**

### **10. OLD BUSINESS**

### **11. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – 2025 Audit and Financial Report (Page 33)**

The 2025 audit and financial reports will be presented to the Board for formal adoption by Village staff and the auditors. The audit can be found on the Village's website, along with all of the audits since 2005.

[https://www.hobartwi.gov/files/ugd/644190\\_3627ba4320c1474c87e317bcd88cbe3a.pdf](https://www.hobartwi.gov/files/ugd/644190_3627ba4320c1474c87e317bcd88cbe3a.pdf)

**B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Purchase of additional 8.2 acres from DeNoble Sewer and Water (JDSW LLC) – 774 West Adam Drive (Page 40)**

The Village reached an agreement with JDSW LLC, the owner of the property at 774 West Adam Drive (commonly referred to as DeNoble Sewer and Water Construction) to purchase 7.355 acres of the existing business for \$6,225,000. That agreement was unanimously approved by the Village Board last October, resulting in what is now referred to as the Hobart Municipal Center (HMC) project. Earlier this year, the Village was approached by JDSW LLC regarding the Village’s interest in purchasing the remaining 8.231 acres of the business property for an additional \$530,000. Staff will present the financial impact of the additional purchase, along with staff members from Baird who did the financial modeling.

**C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Request for Additional Position in Hobart-Lawrence Police Department (Page 45)**

Police Chief Renkas is requesting authorization for an overhire position within the Patrol Division to restore a dedicated night power shift and improve operational staffing stability during identified peak call-for-service hours. This recommendation is based on staffing analysis, operational workload review, and observed deficiencies in the Department’s current ability to absorb routine staffing losses caused by vacation usage, training, comp time, sick leave, and staffing vacancies. While not a complete long-term staffing solution, the proposed overhire represents a practical and immediate step to improve staffing resiliency, reduce operational exposure, and restore lost patrol capacity.

**D. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Request for Bailiff for the Hobart-Lawrence Municipal Court (Page 50)**

Municipal Judge Gregg Schreiber has formally requested that the Village of Hobart and Town of Lawrence provide a dedicated armed law enforcement officer or armed security personnel during all scheduled Municipal Court sessions pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute §755.17(2).

**E. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Awarding of Bid for 2026 Street Projects**

The bids were scheduled to be opened Friday May 15<sup>th</sup>. The results of the bid and the recommendation will be provided to the Board at tonight’s meeting.

**F. DISCUSSION - Items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment**

**G. ADJOURN to CLOSED SESSION:**

1. Under Wisconsin State Statute 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. RE: Tribal Affairs; Potential Litigation

**H. CONVENE into open session.**

**I. ACTION from closed session.**

**12. ADJOURN**

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Aaron Kramer, Village Administrator

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**UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS**

Tuesday June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2026 (6:00 PM) – Regular Board Meeting at Village Office (2990 South Pine Tree Road)  
Tuesday June 16<sup>th</sup> 2026 (6:00 PM) – Regular Board Meeting at Village Office (2990 South Pine Tree Road)  
Tuesday July 7<sup>th</sup> 2026 (6:00 PM) – Regular Board Meeting at Village Office (2990 South Pine Tree Road)

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NOTE: Page numbers refer to the meeting packet. All agendas and minutes of Village meetings are online: [www.hobartwi.gov](http://www.hobartwi.gov). Any person wishing to attend, who, because of their disability, requires special accommodation, should contact the Village Clerk’s office at 920-869-1011 with as much advanced notice as possible. Notice is hereby given that action by the Board may be considered and taken on any of the items described or listed in this agenda. There may be Board members attending this meeting by telephone if necessary.

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Check Nbr	Check Date	Payee	Amount
71140	5/19/2026	4M BUILDING SOLUTIONS INC CLEANING MAY 2026	1,578.00
71141	5/19/2026	APEX SERVICES LLC PEST CONTROL HOBART STATION #1	350.00
71142	5/19/2026	ARDITH MISCHA REFUND PARK DEPOSIT FROM 5/2/2026	175.00
71143	5/19/2026	ASHWAUBENON AUTO REPAIR LLC MULTIPLE INVOICES OIL CHANGES - 4	247.92
71144	5/19/2026	BADGER METER INC. BEACON MBL HOSTING APRIL & ANNUAL LIC	604.09
71145	5/19/2026	BAYCOM INC DOCKING STATION DS-PAN-435N	779.00
71146	5/19/2026	BELLIN HEALTH CPRCARDS - BLS NEW 01/12/2026	32.00
71147	5/19/2026	BRIAN RUECHEL APRIL ACCOUNTING	6,142.50
71148	5/19/2026	BROWN COUNTY TREASURER HIGHWAY CAPITAL PROJ EE-21 Q1.2026	8,046.30
71149	5/19/2026	BROWN COUNTY TREASURER - COURT PAYMENTS APRIL 2026 COURT FINES & SURCHARGES	1,059.76
71150	5/19/2026	DIVERSIFIED BENEFIT SERVICES INC 105-HRA ADMIN SERVICES MAY	110.00
71151	5/19/2026	EMPLOYEE RESOURCE CENTER INC EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE MAY 2026	291.67
71152	5/19/2026	FIRE SAFETY U.S.A. INC FLIR K85 THERMAL IM CAMERA & CHARGER	11,367.95
71153	5/19/2026	FLY-ME FLAG CO. LLC 6-WE THE PEOPLE ; 40-BANNERS	3,950.00
71154	5/19/2026	HAWKINS INC CHLORINE	777.37
71155	5/19/2026	IRON MOUNTAIN DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT 4/30/2026	167.13
71156	5/19/2026	JOE DENOBLE SEWER & WATER CONSTRUCTION INC MULTIPLE INV HYD REPAIR & STORM & CULVER	18,948.50
71157	5/19/2026	JOE'S POWER CENTER INC MULTIPLE INVOICES	114.93
71158	5/19/2026	KIMPS ACE HARDWARE FASTENERS	40.12

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71159	5/19/2026	LARSON ORCHARD APARTMENTS LLC PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE CONST. COMPLETION	350,000.00
71160	5/19/2026	LEAGUE OF WISCONSIN MUNICIPALITIES 2026 STORMWATER GROUP MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL	500.00
71161	5/19/2026	LEXINGTON HOMES INC REFUND - CLOSED UTILITY ACCT 2076-01	137.89
71162	5/19/2026	LEXISNEXIS RISK DATA MANAGEMENT INC ANNUAL SUB 2026/03/26-2027/02/28	1,931.38
71163	5/19/2026	MCALLISTER LANDSCAPE SUPPLIES MULTIPLE INVOICES APRIL 26 - 4	827.00
71164	5/19/2026	MCC INC COLD MIX - ROAD PATCH MATERIALS	867.10
71165	5/19/2026	MULTI MEDIA CHANNELS LLC MULTIPLE INVOICES LEGAL ADS	418.93
71166	5/19/2026	PROCEED LEGAL INC BRIEF - INVOICE#110195 FILE#625163	4,222.00
71167	5/19/2026	ROBERT E. LEE & ASSOCIATES INC MULTIPLE CONTRACTS / PROJECTS	79,492.38
71168	5/19/2026	RUSSELL SCHROEDER REFUND OVERPAYMENT CLOSED UTILITY	42.13
71169	5/19/2026	STATE OF WISCONSIN COURT FINES & SURCHARGES APRIL FINES & SURCHARGES	3,004.47
71170	5/19/2026	STORDEUR SANITATION INC PUMPING HOLDING TANKS GOLDEN & STN#1	265.00
71171	5/19/2026	TROUT CREEK VETERINARY CENTER LLC ANNUAL EXAM / TESTING / MEDS / SHOTS	444.00
71172	5/19/2026	TYLER SKUFCA & JUSTIN POPELKA REFUND CLOSED UTILITY ACCOUNT # 1730-07	207.89
71173	5/19/2026	VILLAGE OF HOWARD ANIMAL CONTROL MARCH 2ND THRU MARCH 25TH	91.75
71174	5/19/2026	VON BRIESEN & ROPER S.C. ATTORNEYS AT LAW MULTIPLE INVOICES / MATTERS	10,331.00
71175	5/19/2026	WI DEPT OF JUSTICE - CRIME INFORMATION BUREAU BACKGROUND CHECKS - 26	182.00
71176	5/19/2026	WI HUMANE SOCIETY ANIMAL IMPOUND SERVICES APRIL 2026	500.00
71177	5/19/2026	WISCONSIN TIMBER RATTLERS BASEBALL CONTRACT 6119703 ACCT21592386	702.00

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Total Expenditure from Fund # 001 - General Fund	42,520.36
Total Expenditure from Fund # 002 - Water Fund	13,584.53
Total Expenditure from Fund # 003 - Sanitary Sewer Fund	1,234.84
Total Expenditure from Fund # 004 - Capital Projects Fund	34,423.82
Total Expenditure from Fund # 006 - K-9 Fund	444.00
Total Expenditure from Fund # 007 - Storm Water Fund	10,625.25
Total Expenditure from Fund # 008 - TID 1 Fund	351,023.75
Total Expenditure from Fund # 009 - TID 2 Fund	54,917.61
Total Expenditure from Fund # 010 - Parks & Recreation	175.00
Total Expenditure from all Funds	508,949.16

Manual Checks 05/19/2026

Check Nbr	Check Date	Vendor name	Check Amount	Transaction memo
HRA426	04/21/2026	DIVERSIFIED BENEFIT SERVICES INC	\$ 573.83	HRA04242026 - MILLER
BIESEVISA	04/21/2026	ELAN	\$ 1,732.94	BIESE - VISA
DEMARSVISA	04/21/2026	ELAN	\$ 1,346.00	DEMARS - VISA
LANCELLEVISA	04/21/2026	ELAN	\$ 5,406.50	LANCELLE - VISA
CELLCOM426	04/28/2026	CELLCOM GREEN BAY	\$ 583.20	WIRELESS
FSA042826CY	04/28/2026	DIVERSIFIED BENEFIT SERVICES INC	\$ 12.69	FSA042826CY - KOLA
HRA042826CY	04/28/2026	DIVERSIFIED BENEFIT SERVICES INC	\$ 2,343.52	HRA04282026CY RENKAS & KOLA
GLOBO33126	04/30/2026	GLOBO LANGUAGE SOLUTIONS LLC	\$ 95.30	INTERPRETING SERVICES MARCH
DOR050126	05/01/2026	DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 4,090.90	PAYROLL 05-01-2026
DCOMP050126	05/01/2026	EMPOWER	\$ 1,932.67	PAYROLL 05-01-2026
EFTPS050126	05/01/2026	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY	\$ 21,813.66	PAYROLL 05-01-2026
DELTA526	05/05/2026	DELTA DENTAL OF WISCONSIN	\$ 2,557.76	DENTAL AND VISION MAY 2026
PSYCH0426	05/05/2026	PSYCHOLOGIE CLINIQUE S.C.	\$ 650.00	EVALUATION - OFFICER
CINTAS0508	05/05/2026	CINTAS CORP	\$ 34.49	MATS AT OFFICE MANUAL 5-8-26
ALLST050826	05/05/2026	AMERICAN HERITAGE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	\$ 185.72	INSURANCE PREMIUMS FOR MAY 06, 2026
DTC05052026	05/05/2026	DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY	\$ 285,846.25	PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENTS
FIRSTNET3988	05/05/2026	FIRST NET	\$ 363.80	FINAL BILLING ACCT 3988
FIRSTNET7998	05/05/2026	FIRST NET	\$ 35.96	LAST BILL ACCT 7998
MSI526	05/19/2026	METRO SALES INC - MSI	\$ 46.52	CONTRACTED BASE RATE & USAGE
WPS0426	05/19/2026	WPS	\$ 17,548.70	UTILITIES ALL BUILDINGS
CULLIGAN	05/19/2026	CULLIGAN GREEN BAY	\$ 138.42	CARBON FILTER & RENTAL OFFICE
GFLAPRIL	05/19/2026	GFL - GFL SOLID WASTE MIDWEST LLC	\$ 36,335.03	REFUSE & RECYCLING COLLECTION - APRIL
PAYA0426	05/19/2026	PAYA-FIRST BILLING SERVICES	\$ 7.00	TRANSACTION FEES 04/2026
CINTAS422	05/19/2026	CINTAS CORP	\$ 34.49	RUGS AT OFFICE 4-22-2026
PSC042026	05/19/2026	PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN	\$ 218.61	DIRECT ASSESSMENT 03-2026
KRAMERVISA	05/19/2026	ELAN	\$ 1,974.01	KRAMER - VISA
NSIGHT0526	05/19/2026	NSIGHT TELESERVICE	\$ 1,197.73	PHONE LINES ALL BUILDINGS
RENKASVISA	05/19/2026	ELAN	\$ 966.45	RENKAS - VISA
TREMELVISA	05/19/2026	ELAN	\$ 159.08	TREMEL - VISA
AMPLETEL426	05/19/2026	AMPLITEL TECHNOLOGIES	\$ 530.76	FON-480B FORTIFONE
CROCKERVISA	05/19/2026	ELAN	\$ 248.15	CROCKER - VISA
FLEET051926	05/19/2026	ENTERPRISE-FLEET MANAGEMENT	\$ 13,574.45	FLEET LEASE #FBN 5634396
HRA05122026	05/19/2026	DIVERSIFIED BENEFIT SERVICES INC	\$ 684.27	HRA05122026CY - SCHIEFELBEIN & VANLANEN
HRACY050526	05/19/2026	DIVERSIFIED BENEFIT SERVICES INC	\$ 562.39	HRACY 05/05/2026 SCHROEDER
KWIKTRIP426	05/19/2026	KWIK TRIP INC	\$ 5,412.70	APRIL FUEL POLICE DEPARTMENT
WEXFUEL0426	05/19/2026	WEX - WRIGHT EXPRESS	\$ 3,708.67	FUEL APRIL ALL DEPARTMENTS
AMPLITEL5626	05/19/2026	AMPLITEL TECHNOLOGIES	\$ 8,762.50	MONTHLY MANAGED SERVICES - MAY
GBUTLAPRL26	05/19/2026	GREEN BAY WATER UTILITY	\$ 35,147.03	PURCHASED WATER APRIL 2026
			<b>\$ 456,862.15</b>	



## MEETING MINUTES – VILLAGE BOARD (Regular)

**Date/Time:** Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup> 2026 (6:00 P.M.)

**Location:** Hobart Village Office (2990 South Pine Tree Road)

Village Board of Trustees: Richard Heidel (President), David Dillenburg, Vanya Koepke, Tammy Zittlow, Melissa Tanke

### ROUTINE ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:

1. **Call to order/Roll Call**. The meeting was called to order by Rich Heidel at 6:05 pm. Dave Dillenburg, Vanya Koepke, Melissa Tanke, Tammy Zittlow, and Rich Heidel were present.
2. **Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda** - ACTION: To certify the open meeting law agenda requirements and approve the agenda as presented. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Koepke. VOICE VOTE: 5-0.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** - Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** -None.
5. **CONSENT AGENDA (These items may be approved on a single motion and vote due to their routine nature or previous discussion. Please indicate to the Board President if you would prefer separate discussion and action.)**  
 A. Payment of Invoices; B. VILLAGE BOARD: Minutes of April 21<sup>st</sup> 2026 (Regular); C. BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS: Minutes of March 26<sup>th</sup> 2024; D. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION: Minutes of March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2026; E. SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT: Kickoff to Summer Celebration (Hobart Volunteer Firefighters Association), May 31 (Hobart Fire Station #1); F. SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT: Operation Guardian Angel Memorial Day Run (Team Triumph), May 25 (Four Seasons Park)

ACTION: To approve the consent agenda to include manual checks. MOTION: Koepke SECOND: Zittlow. VOICE VOTE 5-0.

### 6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA -None.

### 7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS/RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Appearing before the Board for Citizens' Comments: None.

#### **A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Resolution 2026-06 (A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ADDITIONAL STATE TRANSPORTION AID)**

The Wisconsin League of Municipalities is seeking support for a long-term, sustainable funding solution to the state's Transportation Fund.

ACTION: To approve Resolution 2026-06 (A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ADDITIONAL STATE TRANSPORTION AID). MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Tanke. VOICE VOTE 5-0.

**B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Resolution 2026-07 (A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 57th ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK (MAY 3 - 9, 2026))**

May 3 through May 9, 2026 is the 57th Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Week. Initiated in 1969 by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) and endorsed by all of its members throughout the United States, Canada and 15 other countries, the week is a time of celebration and reflection on the importance of the Clerk’s office. In 1984, President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation that officially declared Municipal Clerks Week the first full week of May.

ACTION: To approve Resolution 2026-07 (A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 57th ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK (MAY 3 - 9, 2026)). MOTION: Zittlow SECOND: Koepke. VOICE VOTE 5-0.

**8. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT/COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. INFORMATION**

1. Proposed Tour Sites for the Hobart Municipal Center Project-Aaron discussed the tour schedule with the Village Board
2. Tree City USA Press Release- We will be planting a tree in Fontaine Park. The date is to be determined.
3. Liquor License Status Update- Village Clerk Vanden Heuvel reviewed the license surrender from White Eagle Bar & Grill

The invitation has been received by the Oneida nation to meet regarding the trail.and are considering our invitation at their next meeting.

Site Review will be meeting this month.

Public Works & Utility Commission is meeting this Thursday. The committee is being given the RFPs for Engineering Services.

Golf cart permit applications have started.

Our new officer will be sworn in at the May 19, 2026 Village Board meeting.

We will be applying to the State for assistance for road damage that occurred from the storms.

The 250 America banners have arrived.

Aaron will be speaking to the Hillcrest 5<sup>th</sup> grade class to have them submit letters for the time capsule.

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS**

**A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Consider a 2 Lot CSM establishing two separate new parcels of 7.530 and 1.691 acres (500 Block Centerline Dr., HB-524 ) (Planning and Zoning Commission)**

The property owner of parcel HB-524, located in the 500 Block of Centerline Dr., is proposing a two lot CSM splitting one parcel into two separate parcels of 7.530 and 1.691 acres. The existing parcel is currently zoned PDD#1: Centennial Centre at Hobart District and the proposed CSM would create two new lots that maintain compliance with Village Code requirements relating to lot size and lot width.

ACTION: To approve a 2 Lot CSM establishing two separate new parcels of 7.530 and 1.691 acres (500 Block Centerline Dr., HB-524 ) noting that this would be approval for both the preliminary and final CSM should there be no adjustments to the final CSM. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Tanke. VOICE VOTE 5-0.

**10. OLD BUSINESS** – None.

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Contract with Robert E. Lee for GIS Licensing and Upgrading Services**

This proposal outlines the required efforts, estimated costs, and project scope to support the Village through a transition in Esri’s ArcGIS licensing, a shift in editing structure from ArcMap to ArcGIS Pro, and the retirement of key ArcGIS Online tools. These changes are prompted by Esri’s updated software policies and licensing structures that begin to take effect in 2026. The total cost of the contract is estimated to be \$14,190-\$17,540, to be divided over several funds.

ACTION: To approve the Contract with Robert E. Lee for GIS Licensing and Upgrading Services as presented. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Dillenburg. VOICE VOTE 5-0.

**B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Proposed Sanitary Sewer Rate Increase**

Staff is proposing a one (1) percent increase in the sanitary sewer rates, the first increase since 2023. This will increase the reserves of the fund for future replacement projects (without incurring additional debt) and paying off existing debt at a more rapid rate than scheduled.

No action was taken.

**C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Establishing a Public Hearing for the Sanitary Sewer Rate Increase**

Staff is recommending the public hearing be held at the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Village Board meeting.

ACTION: To establish a public hearing on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026 to implement the 2026 Sewer Volume Rates, which is proposed to increase one (1) percent from the 2025 Sewer Volume Rates. MOTION: Dillenburg SECOND: Heidel. VOICE VOTE 5-0.

**D. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Awarding Contract for Street Sweeping**

With the retirement of the Villages street sweeping services in 2025, the Village sent a Request for Proposals (RFP) out for the street sweeping for the 20 plus miles of curb and gutter. Only one quote was received from Precision Sealcoating, which has performed street sweeping in the Village before the latest vendor, in 2017 with satisfactory results and service. Staff recommends awarding the contract to Precision Sealcoating.

ACTION: To award a three-year contract (September 1, 2026 – August 31, 2029) for Street Sweeping to Precision Sealcoating as presented. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Koepke. VOICE VOTE 5-0.

**E. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Participation in the Wisconsin League of Municipalities Local Government Stormwater Group**

Staff is seeking authorization for the Village to participate in the Wisconsin League of Municipalities Local Government Stormwater Group, which will consist of communities concerned about stormwater advocacy. The cost to participate is \$500, with funding to come from the Stormwater Fund.

ACTION: To approve Village of Hobart participation in the Wisconsin League of Municipalities Local Government Stormwater Group. MOTION: Tanke SECOND: Dillenburg. VOICE VOTE 5-0.

**F. DISCUSSION - Items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment**

The Audit will be presented at the next meeting.

There will be a West De Pere School referendum question on the November 3<sup>rd</sup> ballot.

ACTION: To recess at 7:02 pm prior to going into closed session. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Koepke. VOICE VOTE: 5-0.

**G. ADJOURN to CLOSED SESSION (7:17 PM):** ACTION: To go into closed session 1) Under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c): Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility RE: Personnel, 2) Under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (e): Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session RE: Sale or Purchase of Property, and 3) Under Wisconsin State Statute 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. RE: Tribal Affairs; Potential Litigation MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Koepke ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0.

**H. CONVENE into open session (9:09 PM) –** MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Dillenburg ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0.

**I. ACTION from closed session -** None

**12. ADJOURN (9:09 PM) –** MOTION: Tanke SECOND: Zittlow VOICE VOTE: 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa A. Vanden Heuvel, Village Clerk



## **Hobart Parks & Recreation Committee Minutes - Monday March 23rd 2026**

### **ROUTINE ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:**

1. Call to order/Roll Call (5:00 PM) – Kassie Freckmann, Jane Jerzak, Cynthia Silvers and Tammy Zittlow were present. Mary Jane Hemmy (Chairperson) and Laura Lear (Vice-Chairperson) were absent.
2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda – ACTION: To certify the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda MOTION: Jerzak SECOND: Zittlow VOTE: 4-0
3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items – None
4. Approval of June 30<sup>th</sup> 2025 minutes - MOTION: Zittlow SECOND: Freckmann VOTE:4-0

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Sorenson Family Park Proposal**

Staff brought a proposal to the Committee to create Sorenson Family Park in Centennial Centre. The land is currently owned by the Village of Hobart and is located in Tax Increment District #1. The proposal would include an enclosed pavilion with public restrooms, walking trails and outdoor public grills and benches. Considerable discussion was held on the inclusion of a display in the pavilion featuring a tractor from the Sorenson family, from whom the property was purchased in 2020. The consensus of the Committee was to propose alternate options to recognize the family and get some clarity on that issue before taking the recommendation to the Village Board. ACTION: To support the creation of Sorenson Family Park and recommend the Village Board proceed with the project MOTION: Freckmann SECOND: Silvers VOTE: 4-0

NOTE: Lear joined the meeting at 5:20 PM.

#### **6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Proposed Multi-Purpose Trail on the Old Railway**

Staff provided an update to the Committee on the prospects of creating a multi-purpose trail, in a partnership with other government entities, along the old railway bed in Hobart. Village Attorney Frank Kowalkowski was present for the discussion. ACTION: To recommend that the Village Board seek public comment to gauge interest in creating a public trail on the former railroad bed from Oneida to Pamperin Park, and to recommend the representatives of the Village and Oneida Nation meet face-to-face to reach a mutually beneficial agreement to construct the trail MOTION: Jerzak VOTE: Zittlow VOTE: 5-0

#### **7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION - Items for Future Agendas/Scheduling of Next Committee Meeting –**

Kramer said Brown County has reached out to him to revisit and update the Village Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and asked if the Board would consider meeting in April to do so. Committee members were in support.

**10. ADJOURN (6:00 PM) –** MOTION: Jerzak SECOND: Silvers VOTE: 5-0

Submitted by Village Administrator Aaron Kramer



Village of Hobart Public Works & Utilities Advisory Committee Minutes  
Hobart Village Office; 2990 S. Pine Tree Rd, Hobart, WI

Date/Time: Thursday April 2, 2026 (5:00 P.M.)

Location: Village Office, 2990 South Pine Tree Road

**ROUTINE ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:**

1. Call to order/Roll Call.
  - a. **The meeting was called to order by Dave Dillenburg at 5:02pm. Roll Call: Dave Dillenburg, Dave Baranczyk, James Kubalak, Vanya Koepke, Don Dahlstrom, Kevin Gannon and Dan DeRuyter were present, Ron Hieronimczak, was excused.**
2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda.
  - a. **Motion by Kevin Gannon, second by Dave Dillenburg, All in Favor, Motion Carried.**
3. Approval of the Minutes – February 5, 2026
  - a. **Motion by Dan DeRuyter, second by Dave Baranczyk. All in Favor, Motion Carried.**
4. Public comments on non-agenda items.
  - a. **No public present**

**ACTION ITEMS**

5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Review Request to Accept Wyldberrry Way as Public Roadway
  - a. **Committee reviewed and discussed presented material, Village Attorney’s written opinion, and past conversations regarding the roadway construction, snow removal, and petition from residents.**
  - b. **Committee opened the floor for public responses, Motion by Dave Dillenburg, second by Kevin Gannon, all in favor**
  - c. **DonTolkarz – 4863 Wyldberrry Way, as the spokesperson for the Wyldberrry Way HOA.**  
Don described the original purchases by the residents and them not being told or realizing this was a private subdivision and roadway. Stated many vehicles used the roadway entering Woodfield Prairie. The HOA believes TID 1 would allow the non-conforming road as a public roadway. Questioned why the Village allowed private subdivision, road, and setbacks that did not conform to normal Village standards
  - d. **Committee went back onto regular session, Motion by Dave Dillenburg, second by Don Dahlstrom, all in favor**
  - e. **Committee further discussed the request along with the possibility of setting a precedent by turning a designed privately developed roadway into a public roadway that does not conform to normal Village standards in width and right of way. Changing a private subdivision and road that was properly planned and approved by the Village. The committee was sympathetic to the current homeowners concerns but felt that it was not a result of the Village for the homeowners not realizing the situation they bought onto at the time.**
  - f. **MOTION WAS MADE TO DENY THE APPLICATION TO ACCEPT WYLDERRRY WAY AS A PUBLIC ROADWAY by Don Dahlstrom, second by Dave Dillenburg. All in Favor**
6. DISCUSSION - PASER Road Ratings
  - a. **No action or discussion by committee, deferred until weather conditions and committee members review current PASER ratings.**
7. UPDATE – Director and Activity Reports
  - a. **Director of Public Works and Utilities, Jerry Lancelle, updated the committee on various projects and current operations**
8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION- Topics for Future Committee Meetings
  - a. **No action taken**
9. ADJOURNMENT
  - a. **Motion by Kevin Gannon, second by Dave Dillenburg, all in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:16pm.**

Respectfully submitted by: Jerry Lancelle, Director Public Works.



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## 2025-2026 Legislative Session

### League End of Session Legislation Summary

- **[Act 242 \(AB 219\): Tax Credit for Rail Infrastructure Modernization](#)** - Reps. Novak (R-Dodgeville) and Tranel (R-Cuba City) and Sen. Quinn (R-Birchwood) - This legislation creates an income and franchise tax credit for Class II and Class III railroads in the state to modernize rail infrastructure. Specifically, 50% of the amounts expended by the railroad for maintenance may be claimed or, if the entity does not have tax liability, may be transferred. Additionally, 50% of the amounts expended on new rail infrastructure and improvements may also be claimed. The legislation sets qualification requirements and processes for claiming the credits. *The League has registered **in-favor** of this legislation and appreciates the authors and stakeholders working to introduce an amendment that includes municipalities as eligible entities for transferring credits.*

  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 32-1 vote on Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended by Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 on a 99-0 vote on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 242** on Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.
  
- **[Act 239 \(AB 454\): Workforce Home Loan Program](#)** - Reps. Rodriguez (R-Oak Creek), Snyder (R-Weston), Knodl (R-Germantown), and Rivera-Wagner (D-Green Bay) and Sens. James (R-Thorp) and Johnson (D-Milwaukee) - This legislation establishes a workforce home loan program at the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA) to provide gap financing that supplements a conventional mortgage for the purchase of a new single-family residence. Applicants may not have owned a home in the past three years and must meet certain income thresholds to be eligible for a 15 year, 0% interest loan up to \$60,000. *The League has registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*

  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 31-2 vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 239** on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
  
- **[Act 238 \(AB 375\): Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit Modifications](#)** - Rep. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) and Sen. Feyen (R-Fond du Lac) - Under state and federal law, a taxpayer may receive a credit for certain expenses to rehabilitate certified historic structures. This legislation makes modifications to the state program. First, it clarifies that so long as the claimant has expended \$50,000 or more on the rehabilitation, they may receive the 20% credit, avoiding additional federal requirements on investment thresholds. Second, it removes the requirement that the State Historic Preservation Officer recommend improvements to the US Secretary of the Interior. Third, it allows the full state credit to be claimed in one year as opposed to five. Finally, it clarifies that the \$3.5 million cap on credits only applies within a single ten-year period. *The League has registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*

  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 97-0 vote on Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 31-2 vote on Tuesday, March

17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 238** on Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>.

- **[Act 237 \(AB 194\): Modifications to the Housing Loan Programs](#)** - Reps. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) and Brooks (R-Saukville) and Sens. Quinn (R-Birchwood), Feyen (R-Fond du Lac), and Jagler (R-Watertown) - Last session, with the League as one of a handful of groups at the table, the state made a historic investment of \$525 million for the development of housing across Wisconsin through three low-interest loan programs at the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA). However, an 11th hour amendment added to those bills made implementation problematic for developers. Despite some early successes, the problems created by the amendment last session became increasingly evident. As a result, this subsequent legislation was needed to address the significant barriers to these programs and unlock additional housing opportunities throughout the state. This includes allowing loans to be stacked with tax incremental districts and historic tax credits, increasing maximum loan amounts, allowing a smaller number of units in municipalities at or under 10,000 residents and allowing mixed-use developments to qualify for the Vacancy-to-Vitality Program, and ensuring statewide distribution of loan funds. Additionally, this legislation adjusts the housing cost-reduction requirements for municipalities from those implemented in 2023 back to 2020 providing greater flexibility with a longer look back. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*

  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 237** on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
  
- **[Act 236 \(AB 182\): Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program Changes](#)** - Rep. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) and Sen. Quinn (R-Birchwood) - This legislation makes several modifications to the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program at WHEDA, including requiring that at least 35% of the tax credits allocated each year are for qualified projects in rural areas of Wisconsin if enough applications are available to satisfy the requirement. Other changes to the program remove a requirement that a project is financed with tax-exempt bonds and allows insurers that are shareholders of a tax-option corporation, a partner of a partnership, or a member of a limited liability corporation to claim the credit. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*

  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 99-0 vote on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 30-3 vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 236** on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
  
- **[Act 235 \(SB 480\): Workforce Housing TIDs](#)** - Sen. Feyen (R-Fond du Lac) and Rep. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) - This legislation allows municipalities to create residential tax incremental districts (TIDs). A residential TID would be developer-financed with eligible expenses limited to the infrastructure necessary for dense new single-family or duplex residential developments meeting certain requirements. These residential TIDs would be capped at 3% of the total equalized value of a municipality and are exempt from the 12% threshold. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*

  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 30-3 vote on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate concurred with the Assembly's amendment on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 235** on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.

- **Act 212 (SB 181): Levy Limit Exemption for Regional (County-Sized) EMS Districts** - Sens. Marklein (R-Spring Green) and James (R-Thorp) and Reps. Kurtz (R-Wonewoc) and Gustafson (R-Fox Crossing) - This legislation creates a new levy limit exemption for regional EMS provided through intergovernmental agreements or a district that covers at least 232 square miles or includes at least eight cities, villages, and towns. If one entity is responsible for EMS across a qualifying service territory as established by a district governing body and if a referendum is passed across the proposed district, the costs could be exempt from levy limits and allowed to grow at a rate equal to the growth in the Consumer Price Index plus 2% annually. To maintain the exemption, the district would need to pass a new referendum every five years. This legislation, and its service territory parameters, are meant to mimic county-wide EMS which is exempt from the levy but allows for municipalities to determine their own service territories that cover a county-sized area (232 square miles being the smallest county by land size and eight municipalities being the smallest number in any county). *The League has registered **against** this legislation as amended. While we appreciate the authors' intent, we are opposed to the substitute amendment which makes the process unworkable. Failure to pass a referenda every five years could result in EMS interruptions, EMT layoffs, contract disruptions, and debt defaults.*

  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 30-3 vote on Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 92-1 vote on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 212** on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
  
- **Act 211 (SB 96): Amending the EV Charging Stations Law** - Sen. Marklein (R-Spring Green) and Rep. VanderMeer (R-Tomah) - This legislation makes a technical correction to last session's electric vehicle (EV) charging stations law which the League supported. Specifically, an oversight in the bill passed last session exempted the EV charging station tax of 3 cents per kilowatt-hour for Level 3 fast chargers placed at a residence but allowed the tax for slower chargers. This legislation exempts the tax collection from all EV charging at a residence. *The League has registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*

  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill on a 33-0 vote on Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill on a 96-0 vote on Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 211** on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
  
- **Act 201 (AB 131): Programs and Policies to Address PFAS** - Reps. Mursau (R-Crivitz) and Swearingen (R-Rhineland) and Sen. Wimberger (R-Oconto) - Similar to a bill supported by the League last session after working with the authors on an amendment to address municipal concerns, this legislation would exempt municipalities and certain other parties from liability for PFAS remediation under certain circumstances and conditions. The legislation also establishes a PFAS Community Grant Program to assist with capital and operational costs related to PFAS, exempts certain emergency water utility actions to address PFAS from Public Service Commission approvals, and establishes other programs and policies related to PFAS. *The League has registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*

  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 93-0 vote on Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 33-0 vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 201** on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.
  
- **Act 200 (AB 130): Liability Exemptions for PFAS Contamination** - Reps. Mursau (R-Crivitz) and Swearingen (R-Rhineland) and Sen. Wimberger (R-Oconto) - This legislation provides funding for the programs created by Act 201 (above). This includes roughly \$80 million for the PFAS Community Grant Program and approximately \$53 million remaining in the PFAS Trust Fund established in the previous budget for other programs and staffing. *The League has registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*

- *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 93-0 vote on Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 33-0 vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 200** on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **[Act 194 \(AB 768\)](#): Operation of Drones Over Critical Infrastructure** - Rep. Donovan (R-Greenfield) and Sen. Tomczyk (R-Mosinee) - This legislation prohibits the unauthorized operation of a drone at an altitude of less than 300 feet over or within 500 feet of a parcel on which certain critical infrastructure facilities are located. These facilities include water and wastewater treatment plants, gas or electric power plants, petroleum refineries, and telecommunications carrier plants. The prohibitions do not apply to a drone flown at the direction of a local government in its jurisdiction for official business. Persons violating this prohibition may have their drone seized and may be subject to a forfeiture of not more than \$5,000. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on an 85-14 vote on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 194** on Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- **[Act 188 \(AB 217\)](#): Local Government Competitive Bidding Thresholds** - Reps. O'Connor (R-Fond du Lac) and Brooks (R-Saukville) and Sen. Tomczyk (R-Mosinee) - Under current law, local governments must competitively bid all projects above \$25,000 and award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder and must provide public notice for all projects between \$5,000 and \$25,000. This legislation increases the bidding threshold to \$50,000 and the notice threshold to \$10,000 for all public construction projects except roadwork projects. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 188** on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- **[Act 183 \(SB 376\)](#): Tax Credit for Employer's Childcare Expenses** - Sen. Feyen (R-Fond du Lac) and Rep. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) - Under federal law, employers are eligible for a tax credit for employer-provided childcare expenses. These credits may be claimed for up to 25% of qualified expenses for acquiring or constructing a childcare facility and 10% of childcare resource and referral expenses with a maximum credit of \$150,000. This legislation creates an identical nonrefundable income and franchise tax credit in Wisconsin. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 33-0 vote on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 94-4 vote on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate concurred in the Assembly's amendment on a 32-1 vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 183** on Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- **[Act 179 \(AB 320\)](#): Increasing and Indexing Local Court Fees** - Reps. Allen (R-Waukesha), O'Connor (R-Fond du Lac), Donovan (R-Greenfield), and Mursau (R-Crivitz) and Sen. Wanggaard (R-Racine) - This legislation adjusts court fees and surcharges collected by courts and increases fees paid to witnesses, interpreters, and others. The original legislation included adjustments to municipal court fees, but that was removed in lieu of separate legislation. Additionally, the interpreter fee per half day would be raised from a \$10 minimum to \$35. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 65-32 vote on Thursday,

January 22<sup>nd</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 31-2 vote on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly concurred in the Senate's new amendment on a voice vote on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 179** on Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

- **[Act 173 \(AB 453\)](#): **Densities in Comprehensive Planning, Rezoning Requests, and Affordable Housing TID Extensions** - Rep. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) and Sen. Jagler (R-Watertown) - This legislation requires municipalities that have identified land for future residential development in their comprehensive plan to indicate the minimum and maximum densities of that land in five-year increments. If a developer submits a rezoning request for land identified for future residential development, the request shall be granted by a municipality within 90 days if it falls within the density range for that increment and certain other conditions are met. This legislation also increases the affordable housing tax incremental district (TID) extension from one year to two years and redefines newly platted residential development to allow TIDs established for mixed-use redevelopment efforts to utilize the available TIF structure. *The League has registered as **neutral** on this legislation and appreciates the authors and stakeholders working to alleviate some municipal concerns.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 55-39 vote on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 28-5 vote on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly concurred in the Senate's amendment on a voice vote on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 173** on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.**
- **[Act 172 \(SB 798\)](#): **Assured Wetland Delineators** - Sen. Felzkowski (R-Tomahawk) and Rep. Mursau (R-Crivitz) - Currently, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) operates a pilot program wherein certified professionals may conduct wetland delineation without a site visit from the DNR. The reports generated may be utilized for wetland permitting decisions. This legislation makes that pilot program permanent and establishes the framework for professionals performing delineations, including the effect of a report produced by an assured delineator, certification requisites, and professional conduct requirements. *The League has registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate concurred in the Assembly's amendment on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 172** on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.**
- **[Act 171 \(AB 911\)](#): **Funding for the Battery Stewardship Program** - Rep. Kitchens (R-Sturgeon Bay) and Sen. Tomczyk (R-Mosinee) - This legislation is a trailer bill to SB 702 and AB 713, also supported by the League, to establish a battery stewardship program to reduce battery fires in the waste stream. This legislation creates the necessary financial structure for the Department of Natural Resources to collect the annual fees and administer the program. *The League is registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 97-0 vote on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 33-0 vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 171** on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.**
- **[Act 170 \(AB 713\)](#): **Battery Stewardship Program** - Rep. Kitchens (R-Sturgeon Bay) and Sen. Tomczyk (R-Mosinee) - In response to an increase in lithium ion battery fires in the waste and recycling streams, this legislation creates a battery stewardship program in Wisconsin where certain covered**

batteries would be banned from landfill disposal beginning in 2028 and instead must be properly disposed of safe containers at collection facilities established by statewide collection organizations. The collection sites could be local government facilities which may receive grants from the statewide collection organization to facilitate these sites. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*

- *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 99-0 vote on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 170** on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

- **Act 169 (AB 605): Landfill Fee Retention for Leachate Treatment** - Rep. Jacobson (R-Mosinee) and Sen. Tomczyk (R-Mosinee) - Under current law, landfills are required to impose an Environmental Repair Fee on waste by the tonnage and remit that fee to the state. This legislation allows a landfill owned by a local government to retain their Environmental Repair Fee amounts to repay a Clean Water Fund Program loan received for a wastewater treatment facility installed to treat leachate until the loan is repaid. *The League is registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill on a voice vote on Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill on a voice vote on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 169** on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- **Act 163 (SB 556): Local Aids for Energy Storage Facilities** - Sen. James (R-Thorp) and Reps. Rodriguez (R-Oak Creek) and Dittrich (R-Oconomowoc) - Under current law, cities, villages, towns, and counties receive Utility Aid Payments for energy generation facilities located in that political subdivision. This legislation extends those aid payments to utility-owned energy storage facilities. Annually, cities and villages would receive two-thirds of the amount calculated by multiplying the facility's megawatt storage capacity by \$1,000 with the remaining one-third provided to counties. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 163** on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- **Act 161 (AB 679): Weight Limits for Hauling Certain Agricultural Products** - Rep. Jacobson (R-Mosinee) and Sen. Tomczyk (R-Mosinee) - This legislation allows vehicles hauling grain, fertilizer, and feed to be exempt from the weight limits and haul up to 91,000 pounds (as opposed to the current weight limits of 80,000 pounds) if issued a permit from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. As amended, this legislation restricts overweight vehicles to state highways designated by the state or local roads where permission has been granted in writing from the local governments. *The League has registered as neutral on this legislation and thanks the authors for the amendment.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 161** on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- **Act 148 (AB 192): Fatality Review Teams** - Rep. Moses (R-Menomonie) and Sen. James (R-Thorp) - While not addressed in current law, several areas of the state have established fatality review teams, which are a multidisciplinary and multiagency team reviewing one or more types of death among children and adults and developing recommendations to prevent future deaths of similar circumstances. These deaths may include an overdose, suicide, material death, unexpected death or a child, and more.

This legislation creates a statutory framework for these teams, allowing but not requiring a team's creation, and governs its responsibilities, ability to access certain records, confidentiality requirements, and disclosure of the information. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*

- *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 148** on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- **[Act 120 \(AB 737\): Neighborhood Improvement Districts for Residential Developments](#)** - Rep. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) and Sen. Felzkowski (R-Tomahawk) - Under current law, municipalities may create a Neighborhood Improvement District (NID) upon a petition from landowners in the proposed territory to assess special assessments that are collected for the NID board to carry out the projects in their operating plan. This legislation allows for the establishment of a NID utilizing special assessments to fund infrastructure related to residential developments within the NID, with the special assessments being collected with property tax bills and staying with the property after transfer of ownership until the debt is collected per the operating plan. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation thanks the authors for introducing an amendment to address the League's concerns.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 64-35 vote on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 32-1 vote on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 120** on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>.
- **[Act 117 \(SB 576\): Property Tax Exemption for Campers](#)** - Sen. Cabral-Guevara (R-Appleton) and Rep. Petersen (R-Waupaca) - Under current law, some campers are assessed as real property based on certain characteristics of the camper while others previously assessed as personal property are now exempt. This legislation exempts all prefabricated structures designed to be towed by a motor vehicle and used as seasonal recreational living quarters (i.e., campers) that are located at a licensed campground from being real property. Further, it allows that property to be submitted to the state to be compensated through Personal Property Aids for lost revenues. *The League has registered as neutral on this legislation and notes that Personal Property Aid payments are already prorated and this will be another draw on an account that does not meet existing demand.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill on a 33-0 vote on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill on a 99-0 vote on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 117** on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>.
- **[Act 114 \(SB 331\): ATV, UTV, and Snowmobile Law Changes](#)** - Sen. Marklein (R-Spring Green) and Rep. Mursau (R-Crivitz) - This legislation makes various updates to the laws surrounding ATV, UTV, and snowmobile routes, including eliminating the 1,000-foot bridge maximum for designating ATV or UTV routes if approved by the local government. This legislation also expands the definition of authorized emergency vehicles to include ATVs, UTVs, and snowmobiles for law enforcement and fire departments. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 114** on Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.
- **[Act 113 \(AB 443\): Municipal Court Fee Increases](#)** - Rep. Kaufert (R-Neenah) and Sen. Wanggaard (R-Racine) - Under current law, municipalities collect a fee of between \$15 and \$38 for municipal court

actions. The fee range has not been raised for a decade. This legislation increases the maximum fees to \$48. The legislation also makes a logistical correction to the statutes to allow a municipal court instead of a municipal judge to collect the fees. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*

- *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 88-11 vote on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 32-1 vote on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 113** on Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.
- **Act 78 (AB 280): Business Development Tax Credit Corrections** - Rep. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) and Sens. Feyen (R-Fond du Lac) and Marklein (R-Spring Green) - 2023 Act 143, which was supported by the League, allows certain workforce housing and childcare capital investments to be eligible for the Business Development Tax Credit when the employer is making those investments for their employees. Beginning on January 1, 2026, this legislation clarifies that the investments may be made to a third-party that will build, own, or operate the housing development or childcare service and removes a requirement that the investment is made only for employees. *The League registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended by Assembly Amendment 1 on a 92-4 vote on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 33-0 vote on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 78** on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- **Act 68 (AB 452): Subdivision Plat Approvals** - Rep. Kreibich (R-New Richmond) and Sen. Feyen (R-Fond du Lac) - This legislation makes several changes to municipal requirements for subdivision plat approvals. Among the most notable changes, first, it requires a municipality to provide an opportunity for subdividers to meet informally with municipal officials to discuss a proposal. Second, it requires municipalities to accept preliminary plans and reports along with a preliminary plat and provide feedback on those reports. Third, it prohibits a municipality from requiring the installation of public improvements prior to the approval of a plat but retains the ability to require security for those improvements and conditionally approve plats on the basis of the installation of public improvements following plat approval. Fourth, it changes the purpose of plat approval to be focused on denser development served by pedestrian access and transit. Fifth and finally, it requires the certification of an approved plat within ten days of a subdivider's request. *The League registered as neutral on this legislation and appreciates the work to address several of concerns we raised during the process.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended by Assembly Amendment 1 (AA1) on a voice vote on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended by AA1 and Senate Amendment 1 on a voice vote on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly concurred with Senate Amendment 1 on Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 68** on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- **Act 61 (SB 310): Limitations on Local Emergency Power Proclamations** - Sen. Tomczyk (R-Mosinee) and Reps. Jacobson (R-Mosinee) and Ortiz-Velez (D-Milwaukee) - In the event of an emergency, previously, if the governing body of a local government is unable to promptly meet, the chief executive of that local government may exercise their emergency powers by proclamation until the governing body can meet. This legislation limits those proclamations to 60 days and defines who acts as the chief executive in different units of government, including allowing for persons to temporarily act as a chief executive in the event of incapacitation. *The League registered as neutral on this legislation and appreciates the authors working with us to limit the impacts to local units of government.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended by Senate Amendment 1 on a voice vote on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on

Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 61** on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.

- **[Act 43 \(AB 35\): Allowing Candidates for Certain Offices to Withdrawal Candidacy](#)** - Rep. Steffen (R-Howard) and Sen. Wanggaard (R-Racine) - This legislation allows candidates for federal and state office that are elected in the November general elections to withdrawal their candidacy. Deadlines to withdrawal are seven business days before the June 10<sup>th</sup> preceding the partisan primary and the fourth Tuesday in August preceding the general election, which align with the dates for the state to certify and report candidates for these offices to local clerks. Documentation requirements for withdrawal are included. This only impacts the offices listed and does not make changes to the processes for other offices, including local elected offices. *The League registered as **neutral** on this legislation and appreciates the authors introducing an amendment related to timing for clerks and printing ballots.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended by Assembly Amendment 1 on a voice vote on Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 19-14 vote on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 43** on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.
- **[Act 39 \(SB 159\): Requirements for Police Vehicle Lighting](#)** - Sen. Wanggaard (R-Racine) and Rep. Jacobson (R-Mosinee) - Prior law allowed marked police vehicles to be equipped with flashing, oscillating, or rotating blue and red lights, provided that the blue lights are mounted on the passenger side and the red lights are mounted on the driver side of the vehicle. This legislation specifies that marked police vehicles with an exterior light bar on the roof and lights mounted inside the vehicle match those requirements for blue lights on the passenger side and red lights on the driver side of the vehicle. If the roof and interior lights are installed as specified, a combination of blue and red lights may be mounted on the front, sides, or rear of a police vehicle. *The League registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed this legislation on a voice vote on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed this legislation on a voice vote on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 39** on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.
- **[Act 36 \(SB 183\): Non-Transport EMS Reimbursement, EMT Scope of Practice Report, and ERP Exemption](#)** - Sens. Marklein (R-Spring Green) and James (R-Thorp) and Reps. Kurtz (R-Wonewoc), Zimmerman (R-River Falls), and Summerfield (R-Bloomer) - First, beginning on January 1, 2027, this legislation increases the Medicaid reimbursement for non-transport emergency medical service (EMS) calls to the maximum allowable rate from \$69 to \$175. Second, this legislation requires an annual report to the legislature on the scope of practice of emergency medical technicians (EMT) and responders (EMR) and how changes may impact training. Third, this legislation exempts the growth of charges from existing levy limit exemptions for fire and EMS districts from the calculations for eligibility in the Expenditure Restraint Program (EPR). *The League registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended by Senate Amendment 1 on a voice vote on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 36** on Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.
- **[Act 35 \(SB 182\): EMS Education Access, Certification Cost Reimbursement, and Creating a Live 911 Pilot](#)** - Sens. Marklein (R-Spring Green) and James (R-Thorp) and Reps. Kurtz (R-Wonewoc), Novak (R-Dodgeville), and Summerfield (R-Bloomer) - First, this legislation creates a grant structure

for technical colleges to train individuals for initial certification or licensure as an EMT or EMR. Second, this legislation creates a reimbursement structure for employers or individuals to receive the costs of their education and materials to become an EMT or EMR. Third, this legislation creates a Live 911 Pilot Program to provide grants that enable real-time video communication between public safety answering points and those calling for emergency services. *The League registered in-favor of this legislation.*

- *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill as amended by Senate Amendment 1 on an 18-14 vote on Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a 90-6 vote on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 35** on Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

**NOTE:** For the programs to take effect, funding set aside in the 2025-2027 State Budget will need to be released by the Joint Committee on Finance. A total of \$10.6 million was allocated in the budget, including \$3.5 million for reimbursements for initial training costs, \$7.0 million for technical college courses, and \$100,000 for the Live 911 Pilot Program. The technical college funding was released on Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>.

- **Act 28 (AB 61): Penalties for Harm to Police and Fire Dogs** - Rep. Nedweski (R-Pleasant Prairie) and Sen. Wanggaard (R-Racine) - This legislation increases the criminal penalties associated with injuring or killing any animal used by a law enforcement department or fire department to perform official duties. Penalties for actions taken resulting in injury to the animal are raised from a Class I to a Class H Felony, and actions taken resulting in the death of the animal are raised from a Class H to a Class G Felony. *The League registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill on a voice vote on Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill on a voice vote on Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was signed into law by Governor Evers as **2025 Wisconsin Act 28** on Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **SB 285 / AB 279 (Completed in Act 15, the Biennial Budget): Talent Recruitment Grants** - Sen. Testin (R-Stevens Point) and Rep. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) - This legislation creates a Talent Recruitment Grant Program to incentivize households outside of Wisconsin to relocate to municipalities in this state. Local governments and certain nonprofits will be eligible under this legislation to apply to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation by submitting a plan identifying estimated costs and economic impacts of their efforts to get households to relocate to their municipality. The applicant must match costs by 20% and may not receive more than \$500,000 per year. Half of the award would be provided up front and half upon achieving 50% of its goal. *The League registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *2025-2027 State Budget:* \$5.0 million and all necessary programmatic language for Talent Recruitment Grant Program was included in the budget.

**NOTE:** In effect, the budget action makes the standalone legislation moot as the policy and funding became law in full as a part of the 2025-2027 State Budget (2025 Wisconsin Act 15).
- **SB 231 / AB 231 (Completed in Act 15, the Biennial Budget): Creating a State Film Office and Film Production Tax Credits** - Sens. Bradley (R-New Berlin) and Testin (R-Stevens Point) and Reps. Armstrong (R-Rice Lake), Callahan (R-Tomahawk), and Hurd (R-Withee) - This legislation looks to promote film production in Wisconsin through two different initiatives. First, it creates a State Film Office attached to the Department of Tourism. The Office would administer the second initiative, income and franchise tax credits for film production companies. The tax credits would provide: 1) up to 30% of the salary or wages paid to employees who are Wisconsin residents for the production of film, video, broadcast advertisement, or television production; and 2) up to 30% of production expenses and

amounts spent to purchase personal or real property. No more than \$10 million in tax credits may be claimed in any year. *The League registered in-favor of this legislation.*

- *2025-2027 State Budget:* Up to \$5.0 million per year in credits, \$160,200 over the biennium for the State Film Office, and all necessary programmatic language for Film Production Tax Credits and State Film Office was included in the budget.

**NOTE:** In effect, the budget action makes the standalone legislation moot as the policy and funding became law in full as a part of the 2025-2027 State Budget (2025 Wisconsin Act 15).

- **Vetoed ([AB 880](#)): Nuisance Actions Against Racing Facilities** - Rep. Mursau (R-Crivitz) and Sen. Tomczyk (R-Mosinee) - This legislation prohibits a person, but not including a local government, from taking public nuisance actions against a racing facility if they purchased or made improvements to property within five miles of the racing facility after the racing facility was in operation. Local governments would be prohibited from enacting ordinances to create private causes of public nuisances under these conditions. *The League is registered as neutral on this legislation and appreciates the work of the authors and stakeholders to address municipal concerns through an amendment.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was vetoed by the Governor on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **Vetoed ([AB 502](#)): Nonconforming Outdoor Advertising Signs** - Reps. Goeben (R-Hobart) and O'Connor (R-Fond du Lac) and Sen. Feyen (R-Fond du Lac) - Under current law, if a highway project will impact a nonconforming outdoor advertising sign, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) must notify the local government with the regulating ordinance. If the local government petitions WisDOT to condemn the sign, the municipality must pay for the condemnation costs. Under this legislation, a sign impacted by a state or local project with federal or state funds may be repositioned within a local government's borders in a manner approved by the local government. The entity requiring repositioning of the sign must pay the sign owner for the costs to reposition the sign. Current law on condemnation process still applies. *The League has registered against this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill on a voice vote on Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was vetoed by the Governor on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **Vetoed ([AB 326](#)): Grant Writing and Compliance Assistance** - Reps. Kurtz (R-Wonewoc) and Swearingen (R-Rhineland) and Sen. Marklein (R-Spring Green) - This legislation allows local governments with populations under 7,500 to receive grants of up to \$5,000 to obtain grant writing and compliance assistance services. The program would be available from 2027 to 2030 with two annual award cycles for grants related to public works, utilities, transportation, public safety, and cybersecurity. *The League has registered in-favor of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was vetoed by the Governor on Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**NOTE:** \$3.0 million in funding was set aside for this program in the 2025-2027 State Budget. With the veto, it is likely the funding will remain untouched and will carry over to the next budget.
- **Vetoed ([AB 248](#)): Vacancies in Appointive State Offices** - Reps. Allen (R-Waukesha) and Maxey (R-New Berlin) and Sens. Bradley (R-New Berlin) and Quinn (R-Birchwood) - Following a Wisconsin Supreme Court decision, the expiration of a term of an appointed official does not create a vacancy until a new appointment is confirmed for a fixed term, thus creating holdover appointments. This legislation

ends the practice of holdover appointments in state positions, creating the vacancy once the term expires rather than once a new appointee is confirmed. *The League has registered as **neutral** on this legislation and appreciates the authors working with us to remove impacts to local appointed offices.*

- *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill as amended on a voice vote on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill as amended on a 17-16 vote on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was vetoed by the Governor on Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

- **Vetoed ([SB 291](#)): Childcare Expenses in the Business Development Tax Credit** - Sen. Marklein (R-Spring Green) and Rep. Hurd (R-Withee) - 2023 Wisconsin Act 143, which the League supported, allows certain capital investments in childcare to be eligible for the Business Development Tax Credit. This legislation expands the tax credit to include an amount up to 15% of the business's costs to provide childcare services for employees, including establishing and operating a childcare program for employees, purchasing slots on behalf of employees, reimbursement to employees for childcare expenses, and other similar investments. *The League has registered **in-favor** of this legislation.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Senate passed the bill on a 19-14 vote on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, the full Assembly passed the bill on a 63-31 vote on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was vetoed by the Governor on Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.
- **Vetoed ([AB 450](#)): Delaying Implementation of the New Commercial Building Code** - Rep. Penterman (R-Hustisford) and Sen. Hutton (R-Brookfield) - New administrative rules by the Department of Safety and Professional Services implement the 2021 International Building Code (IBC) in Wisconsin. This rule replaces the 2015 IBC standards as Wisconsin's Commercial Building Code. This legislation delays the implementation of the 2021 IBC to only apply to plans submitted after April 1, 2026. *The League registered as **neutral** on this legislation and requested that certainty is provided to municipal officials responsible for plan reviews.*
  - *Final Status:* The full Assembly passed the bill on a voice vote on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, the full Senate passed the bill on a 20-13 vote on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, and the legislation was vetoed by the Governor on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

V I L L A G E O F  
**HOBART**  
 GREATNESS IS GROWING  
**MEMORANDUM**



**TO:** Village Board of Trustees  
**FROM:** Lisa Vanden Heuvel, Village Clerk  
**RE:** 2026-2027 Liquor & Cigarette License Applications  
**DATE:** May 19, 2026

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### BACKGROUND

All Alcohol Beverage & Cigarette, Tobacco, and Electronic Vaping Licenses expire June 30th of each year and the new licenses take effect July 1st. The following current license holders have submitted the required application paperwork:

Combination Class “B” fermented malt beverage & regular “Class B” Liquor License:

1. D2 of Hobart – 530 Larson Orchard Parkway, Hobart WI  
Agent: Howard Johnston – 3460 Peppergrass Dr, Green Bay WI
2. Fleet & Alice’s Gas Light Inn - 915 Edgar Drive, Hobart WI  
Agent: David P. Jordan - 915 Edgar Drive, Hobart, WI
3. Thornberry Creek at Oneida - 4470 N. Pine Tree Road, Hobart WI  
Agent: Brandon Bunker – 3182 Trenton Lane, Green Bay WI
4. Long Drive Inn – 897 Riverdale Drive, Hobart WI  
Agent: Meridith Mande – 2693 E. River Drive, Green Bay WI

Class “B” fermented malt beverage:

1. Scott’s Subs Hobart – 550 Centennial Centre Boulevard  
Agent: Heather Leonard – 565 Sunlite Drive, Hobart WI

Cigarette, Tobacco, Electronic Vaping Retail License:

1. Thornberry Creek at Oneida – 4470 N. Pine Tree Road, Hobart WI  
Agent: Joe Hanrahan – 3481 Baywatch Dr, Green Bay WI

Background checks are being completed by the Hobart / Lawrence Police Department. We are reviewing each application for any outstanding debt owed to the Village. We have not received any correspondence regarding any outstanding liquor/ beer distributor bills. Should there be any correspondence from a supplier or unpaid debt, we will withhold the license until the outstanding invoices are paid.

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### RECOMMENDATION

This memo is for information only. No action required.

## VILLAGE OF HOBART INVESTMENT AGENCY

Account Number:  
Statement Period:

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VILLAGE OF HOBART  
STACY BELL  
2990 SOUTH PINE TREE ROAD  
HOBART WI 54155

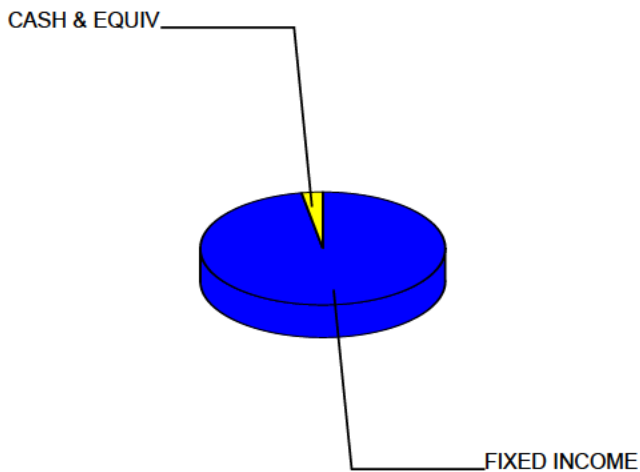
## Relationship Manager

Eric Wied 920-433-3275  
Eric.Wied@associatedbank.Com

## Investment Manager

Pat Fry 920-433-7703  
Pat.Fry@associatedbank.Com

## Portfolio Summary



## Value of Portfolio

Description	Market Value	% of Account
Cash & Equiv	59,155.23	2.9%
Fixed Income	1,966,053.15	97.1%
<b>Total Portfolio</b>	<b>\$ 2,025,208.38</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Accrued Income	15,499.25	
<b>Total Valuation</b>	<b>\$ 2,040,707.63</b>	

## Market Reconciliation

	Current Period	Year To Date
<b>Beginning Market Value</b>	<b>\$ 2,036,181.24</b>	<b>\$ 2,026,023.08</b>
Income		
Interest.....	12,663.50	29,610.51
Purchased Income.....	-121.70	-1,107.81
Disbursements		
Fees/Expenses.....	-604.24	-2,412.58
Non-Cash Activity.....	438.13	2,637.07
Realized Gains/(Losses).....	0.00	0.00
Change In Accrued Income.....	-6,167.14	-2,908.19
Unrealized Appreciation/(Depreciation).....	-1,682.16	-11,134.45
<b>Ending Market Value</b>	<b>\$ 2,040,707.63</b>	<b>\$ 2,040,707.63</b>

## VILLAGE OF HOBART INVESTMENT AGENCY

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## Portfolio Investments

Asset Description	Units	Market Value Cost	Est. Annual Income Accruals	Current Yield
<b>Cash and Equivalent</b>				
Principal Cash		-194,704.59 -194,704.59	0.00	0.00%
Income Cash		194,704.59 194,704.59	0.00	0.00%
Goldman Sachs Treasury Instruments Portfolio Fund 506	59,155.230	59,155.23 59,155.23	2,079.00 256.61	3.51%
<b>Total Cash and Equivalent</b>		<b>\$ 59,155.23</b> <b>\$ 59,155.23</b>	<b>2,079.00</b> <b>256.61</b>	<b>3.51%</b>
<b>Fixed Income</b>				
Abilene TX Isd Txbl 5.000 02/15/2029	50,000.000	51,314.00 51,831.00	2,500.00 527.77	4.87%
Apple Inc 3.000 11/13/2027 Callable 8/13/2027 @ 100	50,000.000	49,323.00 49,158.00	1,500.00 700.00	3.04%
Cleveland Cnty OK Isd 2 Moore Txbl 5.000 03/01/2028	50,000.000	50,927.00 50,569.00	2,500.00 416.66	4.91%
Cottage Grove Vlg WI Prom Nts Txbl A 5.000 04/01/2028	50,000.000	50,973.50 50,473.00	2,500.00 208.33	4.90%
Dane Cnty WI Txbl Prom Nts B 4.000 06/01/2029	50,000.000	49,923.00 50,324.50	2,000.00 833.33	4.01%
Depere WI Prom Nts Txbl Ser B 4.950 09/01/2026	50,000.000	50,181.50 50,000.00	2,475.00 412.50	4.93%
Exxon Mobil Corp 2.275 08/16/2026	50,000.000	49,754.50 49,391.50	1,137.00 236.97	2.29%
FHLB 4.250 10/22/2029 Callable 10/22/2026 @ 100	50,000.000	49,893.50 50,000.00	2,125.00 53.12	4.26%
FHLB 3.800 10/02/2028 Callable 10/02/2026 @ 100	50,000.000	49,761.00 50,020.00	1,900.00 153.05	3.82%
FHLB 3.790 03/30/2028 Callable 03/30/2027 @ 100	50,000.000	49,869.00 49,875.00	1,895.00 163.18	3.80%
FFCB 4.625 07/17/2026	50,000.000	50,084.50 50,011.00	2,312.00 668.05	4.62%

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## Portfolio Investments

Asset Description	Units	Market Value Cost	Est. Annual Income Accruals	Current Yield
FFCB 4.470 03/05/2030 Callable 03/05/2027 @ 100	50,000.000	49,804.00 50,000.00	2,235.00 347.66	4.49%
FFCB 4.520 05/14/2030 Callable 05/14/2026 @ 100	50,000.000	49,969.50 49,945.50	2,260.00 1,048.38	4.52%
FHLMC 0.8300 07/22/2026 Callable 10/22/2023 @ 100	50,000.000	49,675.50 49,022.00	415.00 114.12	0.84%
FHLMC 3.500 09/16/2027 Callable 09/16/2025 @ 100	50,000.000	49,808.00 49,781.50	1,750.00 218.74	3.51%
FHLMC 3.925 10/01/2027 Callable 04/01/2026 @ 100	50,000.000	49,924.50 50,000.00	1,962.00 163.54	3.93%
FNMA 4.200 09/18/2030 Callable 03/18/2026 @ 100	50,000.000	48,951.50 50,000.00	2,100.00 250.83	4.29%
FNMA 4.000 10/10/2028 Callable 04/10/2026 @ 100	50,000.000	49,903.00 49,988.00	2,000.00 116.66	4.01%
Johnson & Johnson 4.700 03/01/2030	50,000.000	51,075.50 51,194.50	2,350.00 391.66	4.60%
King Cnty WA Txbl 4.819 12/01/2029	45,000.000	46,201.50 45,638.55	2,168.00 903.56	4.69%
Madison WI Txbl Prom Nts Ser B 3.400 10/01/2026 Callable 10/01/2025 @ 100	50,000.000	49,920.50 49,676.50	1,700.00 141.66	3.41%
Oklahoma Cnty OK Isd Deer Creek Txbl 4.200 09/01/2027	50,000.000	50,153.50 50,183.00	2,100.00 1,399.99	4.19%
Olmsted Cnty MN Txbl Ref Ser A 1.050 02/01/2027	50,000.000	49,000.50 48,073.50	525.00 131.24	1.07%
Oregon St Txbl P 1.967 05/01/2026	50,000.000	50,000.00 49,426.50	983.00 491.74	1.97%
Salt Lake City UT Txbl A 3.172 06/15/2027 Callable 10/23/2025 @ 100	75,000.000	74,526.00 74,434.50	2,379.00 898.73	3.19%
US Treasury Notes 4.125 10/31/2027	75,000.000	75,274.50 74,675.83	3,093.00 8.40	4.11%
US Treasury Notes 4.125 06/15/2026	75,000.000	75,041.25 74,817.47	3,093.00 1,164.40	4.12%

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## Portfolio Investments

Asset Description	Units	Market Value Cost	Est. Annual Income Accruals	Current Yield
US Treasury Notes 4.375 08/15/2026	75,000.000	75,141.75 74,891.17	3,281.00 679.81	4.37%
US Treasury Notes 4.625 10/15/2026	75,000.000	75,330.00 74,879.24	3,468.00 151.63	4.60%
US Treasury Bonds 4.875 10/31/2028	75,000.000	76,716.75 75,599.85	3,656.00 9.93	4.77%
US Treasury Notes 4.000 03/31/2030	75,000.000	75,076.50 75,303.25	3,000.00 254.09	4.00%
US Treasury Notes 3.500 11/30/2030	75,000.000	73,424.25 74,434.57	2,625.00 1,096.15	3.58%
US Treasury Notes 3.875 03/31/2031	75,000.000	74,514.00 74,865.23	2,906.00 246.15	3.90%
West St Paul MN Txbl A 3.750 01/15/2029 Callable 02/13/2026 @ 100	45,000.000	44,616.15 44,874.45	1,687.00 440.62	3.78%
Wisconsin St Txbl Ref Ser 3 0.800 05/01/2026	50,000.000	50,000.00 49,038.50	400.00 199.99	0.80%
<b>Total Fixed Income</b>		<b>\$ 1,966,053.15</b> <b>\$ 1,962,396.61</b>	<b>74,980.00</b> <b>15,242.64</b>	<b>3.81%</b>
<b>Total Market Value</b>		<b>\$ 2,025,208.38</b> <b>\$ 2,021,551.84</b>	<b>77,059.00</b> <b>15,499.25</b>	<b>3.81%</b>
<b>Total Market Value Plus Accruals</b>		<b>\$ 2,040,707.63</b>		

## Income Activity

	Date	Income Cash	Principal Cash
<b>Interest Income</b>			
Cottage Grove Vlg WI Prom Nts Txbl A 5.000 04/01/2028 Int To 04/01/26 on 50,000	04/01/26	1,250.00	
FHLB 4.250 10/22/2029 Callable 10/22/2026 @ 100 Int To 04/22/26 on 50,000	04/22/26	1,062.50	
FHLB 3.800 10/02/2028 Callable 10/02/2026 @ 100 Int 10/02/25 To 04/02/26 on 50000	04/02/26	950.00	

## VILLAGE OF HOBART INVESTMENT AGENCY

Account Number:  
Statement Period:

04/01/26 - 04/30/26

Income Activity			
	Date	Income Cash	Principal Cash
FHLMC 3.925 10/01/2027 Callable 04/01/2026 @ 100 Int 10/01/25 To 04/01/26 on 50000	04/01/26	981.25	
FNMA 4.000 10/10/2028 Callable 04/10/2026 @ 100 Int 10/10/25 To 04/10/26 on 50000	04/10/26	1,000.00	
Goldman Sachs Treasury Instruments Portfolio Fund 506 Int To 03/31/26	04/01/26	247.86	
Madison WI Txbl Prom Nts Ser B 3.400 10/01/2026 Callable 10/01/2025 @ 100 Int To 04/01/26 on 50,000	04/01/26	850.00	
Tulsa Cnty OK Isd 3 Txbl Broken Arrow Board of Education 4.850 04/01/2026 Int To 04/01/26 on 50,000	04/01/26	1,212.50	
US Treasury Notes 4.125 10/31/2027 Int To 04/30/26 on 75,000	04/30/26	1,546.88	
US Treasury Notes 4.625 10/15/2026 Int To 04/15/26 on 75,000	04/15/26	1,734.38	
US Treasury Bonds 4.875 10/31/2028 Int To 04/30/26 on 75,000	04/30/26	1,828.13	
<b>Total Interest Income</b>		<b>\$ 12,663.50</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Purchased Income</b>			
FHLB 3.790 03/30/2028 Callable 03/30/2027 @ 100 Accrued Int To 04/02/26 Paid on Purchase of 50,000	04/02/26	-10.53	
US Treasury Notes 3.875 03/31/2031 Accrued Int To 04/14/26 Paid on Purchase of 75,000	04/14/26	-111.17	
<b>Total Purchased Income</b>		<b>\$ -121.70</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$ 12,541.80</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>

## VILLAGE OF HOBART INVESTMENT AGENCY

Account Number:  
Statement Period:

04/01/26 - 04/30/26

## Disbursement Activity

	Date	Income Cash	Principal Cash
<b>Fees/Expenses</b>			
Monthly Fee To 03/31/26	04/17/26		-604.24
<b>Total Fees/Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ -604.24</b>
<b>Total Disbursements</b>		<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ -604.24</b>

## Purchase Activity

	Date	Income Cash	Principal Cash
FHLB 3.790 03/30/2028 Callable 03/30/2027 @ 100 Purchased 50000 04/01/26 @ 99.75	04/02/26		-49,875.00
Goldman Sachs Treasury Purchases (5) 04/01/26 To 04/30/26	04/30/26		-61,713.50
US Treasury Notes 3.875 03/31/2031 Purchased 75000 04/13/26 @ 99.820312	04/14/26		-74,865.23
<b>Total Purchases</b>		<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ -186,453.73</b>

## Sale Activity

	Date	Proceeds	Realized Gain/Loss
Goldman Sachs Treasury Sales (3) 04/01/26 To 04/30/26	04/30/26	124,516.17	
Tulsa Cnty OK Isd 3 Txbl Broken Arrow Board of Education 4.850 04/01/2026 Recd Proceeds on Maturity of 50,000 Par Value	04/01/26	50,000.00	
<b>Total Sales</b>		<b>\$ 174,516.17</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>

## VILLAGE OF HOBART INVESTMENT AGENCY

Account Number:  
Statement Period:[REDACTED]  
04/01/26 - 04/30/26

## Non-Cash Activity

	Date	Cost
Cottage Grove Vlg WI Prom Nts Txbl A 5.000 04/01/2028 Amortization of Premium	04/01/26	-111.50
FNMA 4.000 10/10/2028 Callable 04/10/2026 @ 100 Accretion of Discount	04/10/26	3.00
Madison WI Txbl Prom Nts Ser B 3.400 10/01/2026 Callable 10/01/2025 @ 100 Accretion of Discount	04/01/26	315.50
Tulsa Cnty OK Isd 3 Txbl Broken Arrow Board of Education 4.850 04/01/2026 Accretion of Discount	04/01/26	122.00
US Treasury Notes 4.125 10/31/2027 Accretion of Discount	04/30/26	103.41
US Treasury Notes 4.625 10/15/2026 Accretion of Discount	04/15/26	117.84
US Treasury Bonds 4.875 10/31/2028 Amortization of Premium	04/30/26	-112.12
<b>Total Non-Cash Transactions</b>		<b>\$ 438.13</b>

V I L L A G E O F  
**HOBART**  
 GREATNESS IS GROWING  
**MEMORANDUM**



**TO:** Village Board  
**FROM:** Aaron Kramer, Village Administrator  
**RE:** 2025 Audit  
**DATE:** May 13<sup>th</sup> 2026

### BACKGROUND

The Village's auditors will present the 2025 audit at tonight's Board meeting. The intent of this memo is to highlight certain portions of the Village's financial position.

### 2025

The following are the 2025 financial results for all of the Village's major funds:

ACCOUNT	<u>MAJOR FUNDS</u>				
	2025 Revenue	2025 Expenses	2025 Net	1-1-25 Balance	1-1-26 Balance
<b>General (01)</b>	\$4,620,029.00	\$4,661,861.00	(\$41,832.00)	\$1,987,731.00	\$1,945,899.00
<b>Capital (04)</b>	2,140,962.00	2,054,099.00	86,863.00	234,421.00	321,284.00
<b>Debt Service (05)</b>	696,653.00	1,021,976.00	(325,323.00)	692,645.00	367,322.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,457,644.00</b>	<b>\$7,737,936.00</b>	<b>(\$280,292.00)</b>	<b>\$2,914,797.00</b>	<b>\$2,634,505.00</b>

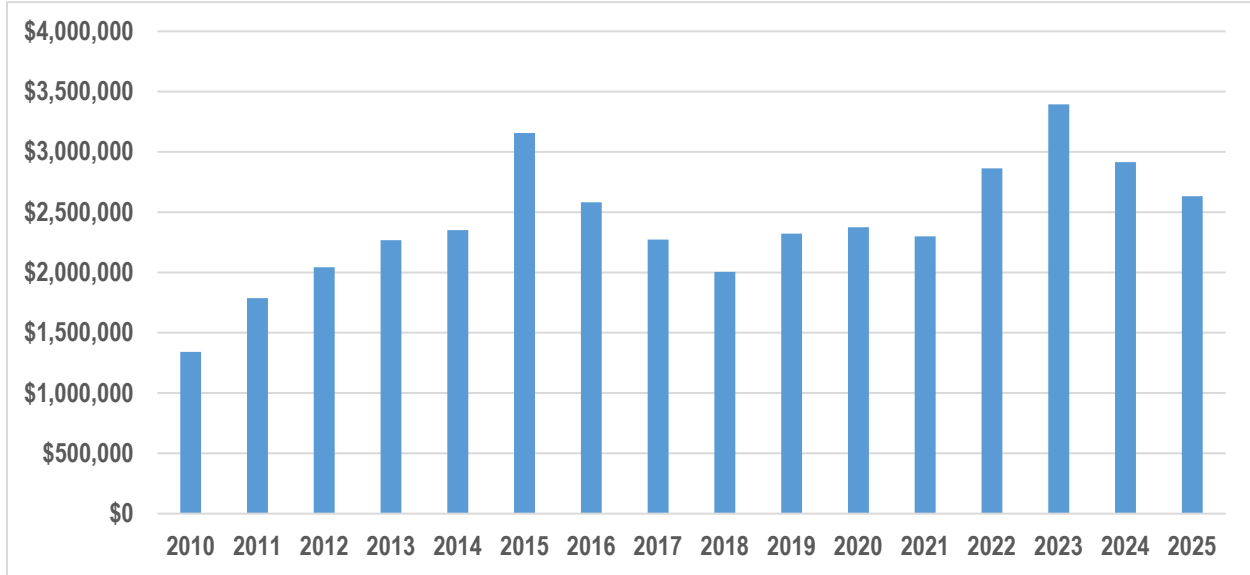
ACCOUNT	<u>TAX INCREMENT DISTRICTS</u>				
	2025 Revenue	2025 Expenses	2025 Net	1-1-25 Balance	1-1-26 Balance
<b>TID #1 (08)</b>	\$4,880,862.00	\$5,985,266.00	(\$1,104,404.00)	\$8,987,150.00	\$7,882,746.00
<b>TID #2 (09)</b>	2,288,100.00	6,966,266.00	(4,678,166.00)	6,991,701.00	2,313,535.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,168,962.00</b>	<b>\$12,951,532.00</b>	<b>(\$5,782,570.00)</b>	<b>\$15,978,851.00</b>	<b>\$10,196,281.00</b>

### ALL LEVY-SUPPORTED FUNDS (General Fund, Capital, Debt Service)

The combined reserve funds of all funds supported by the Property Tax Levy decreased to \$2,634,505 at the end of FY2025, a decline of \$280,922 over 2024. The decline was mainly due to the drawing down of the Debt Service Reserve to pay for the fire station debt. This was anticipated when the bond was issued, as a way to minimize the impact on the property tax levy.

The combined reserve funds of the two Tax Increment Districts was \$10,196,281 at the end of FY2025, a decline of \$5,782,570. This was due to the TIDs using bond proceeds from previous years which artificially increased the balance sheets of both funds prior to last year.

**ALL LEVY-SUPPORTED FUNDS CASH BALANCE AT END OF FISCAL YEAR**



ALL LEVY SUPPORTED FUNDS (2011-2025)				
YEAR	General	Debt Service	Capital	TOTAL
2025	\$1,945,899	\$367,322	\$321,284	\$2,634,505
2024	1,987,731	692,645	234,421	2,914,797
2023	\$1,915,274	673,555	\$803,159	3,391,988
2022	(B) 1,771,533	165,768	926,260 (C)	2,863,561
2021	(B) 1,635,846	165,661	498,409 (C)	2,299,916
2020	(A) 1,680,053	164,444	530,380 (C)	2,374,877
2019	(A) 1,660,330	161,701	499,712	2,321,743
2018	1,308,768	161,701	533,876	2,004,345
2017	1,308,767	176,916	787,154	2,272,837
2016	1,308,878	237,069	1,035,730	2,581,677
2015	1,158,446	406,658	1,591,109	3,156,213
2014	1,004,449	0	1,346,484	2,350,933
2013	1,306,235	0	961,186	2,267,422
2012	1,422,151	0	621,423	2,043,574
2011	1,120,668	0	666,203	1,786,871
2010	1,022,258	0	319,513	1,341,771

A - Includes \$4,682 restricted for GIS B - Includes \$10,442 for GIS C - \$150,000 in Fire Station reserve NOTE: Figures have rounded to the nearest dollar.

**GENERAL FUND**

The General Fund posted a deficit of \$41,832 in FY2025. The new balance of our reserve accounts will be as follows:

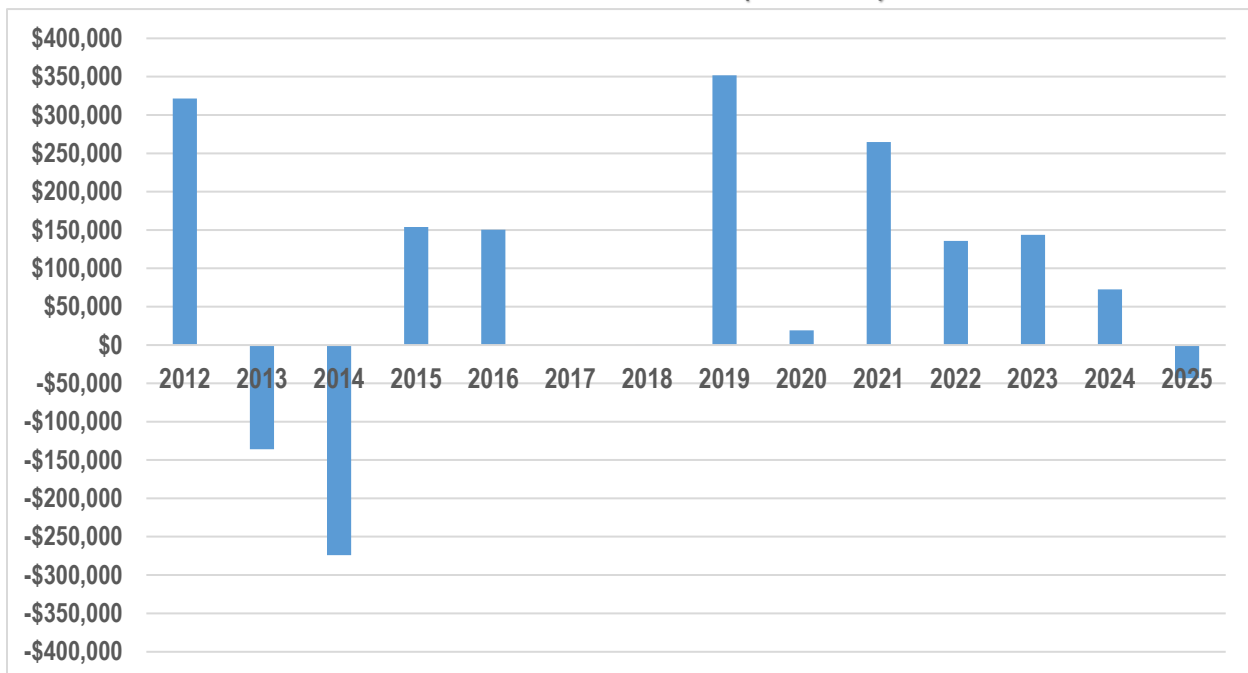
ACCOUNT	1-1-25 Balance	1-1-26 Balance	Change
<b>Unreserved Fund Balance</b>	\$1,983,972.00	\$1,938,923.00	(\$45,049.00)
<b>Restricted for GIS</b>	3,759.00	6,976.00	\$3,217.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$1,987,731.00	\$1,945,899.00	(\$41,832.00)

Under Policy 2023-01, "the Village shall maintain the following minimum General Unassigned Fund Reserve Balances ("the General Fund Balance"): 2025 - \$1,350,000." With the unreserved fund balance of \$1,983,973, this equates to \$633,973 over what is required under Policy 2025-03 to start FY2026. The policy set the undesignated reserve balance for the next three years as follows: 2026 - \$1,350,000; 2027 - \$1,400,000; 2028 - \$1,450,000

GENERAL FUND BUDGET RESULTS (2011-2025)							
YEAR	Revenues	Expenses	Net	YEAR	Revenues	Expenses	Net
* 2026	\$4,661,741.70	\$4,661,741.70	\$0.00	2018	\$3,651,358.46	\$3,651,357.93	\$0.53
2025	4,620,029.91	4,663,278.08	(43,248.17)	2017	3,529,549.62	3,529,659.82	(110.20)
2023	4,549,685.25	4,405,945.50	143,739.75	2016	3,185,802.45	3,035,370.34	150,432.11
2022	4,155,573.22	4,019,886.74	135,686.48	2015	3,022,749.00	2,868,752.58	153,996.42
2021	3,865,747.33	3,600,940.26	264,807.07	2014	2,808,297.13	3,082,337.49	(274,040.36)
2020	3,756,289.79	3,737,288.02	19,001.77	2013	2,926,131.36	3,062,047.43	(135,916.07)
2019	3,766,047.91	3,414,260.45	351,786.46	2012	2,822,351.40	2,500,868.24	321,483.16
2024	\$4,634,624.81	\$4,562,167.65	\$72,457.16	2011	2,638,631.77	2,540,506.85	98,124.92

\* - The 2026 Budget is the version adopted by the Village Board on November 18, 2025.

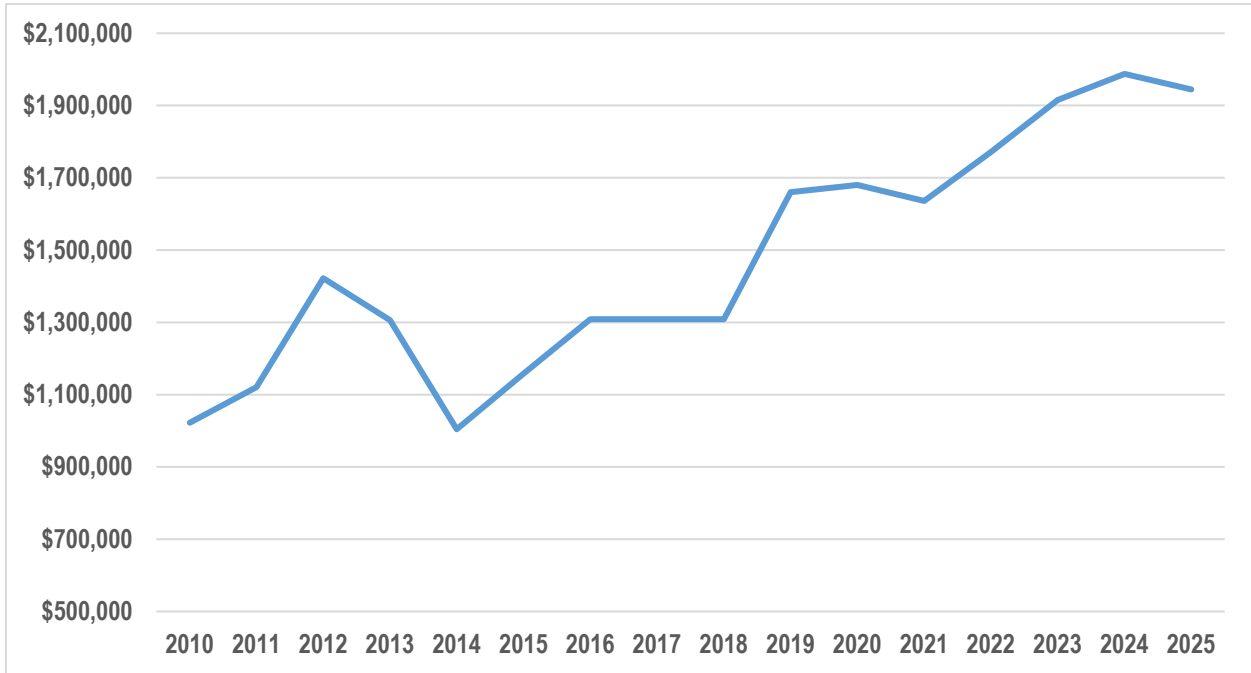
### BUDGET SURPLUS/DEFICIT (2011-2025)



CASH BALANCE (Reserve) AT END OF FISCAL YEAR – GENERAL FUND					
YEAR	Undesignated Reserve	Park Develop	Memorial Brick	Delinquent Tax	TOTAL RESERVE
2025	\$1,938,923	\$0	\$0	\$0	(E) \$1,945,899
2024	\$1,983,972	0	0	0	(D) 1,987,731
2023	1,917,444	0	0	0	(C) 1,915,274
2022	1,773,704	0	0	0	(C) 1,771,533
2021	1,625,404	0	0	0	(B) 1,635,846
2020	1,366,393	303,692	5,286	0	(A) 1,680,053
2019	1,364,552	290,492	5,286	0	(A) 1,660,330
2018	1,012,990	290,493	5,286	0	1,308,768
2017	1,061,928	241,507	5,333	0	1,308,767
2016	1,111,023	192,522	5,333	0	1,308,878
2015	1,015,691	137,422	5,333	0	1,158,446
2014	867,732	133,720	5,333	(2,336)	1,004,449
2013	1,176,864	96,232	5,393	27,747	1,306,235
2012	1,310,442	102,824	5,370	23,515	1,422,151
2011	822,227	48,365	5,864	244,212	1,120,668
2010	787,262	0	0	234,996	1,022,258

A - Includes \$4,682 restricted for GIS B - Includes \$10,442 for GIS C - Includes (\$2,172) for GIS D - Includes \$3,759 for GIS E - Includes \$6,976 for GIS NOTE: Figures have rounded to the nearest dollar.

**GENERAL FUND CASH BALANCE AT END OF FISCAL YEAR**

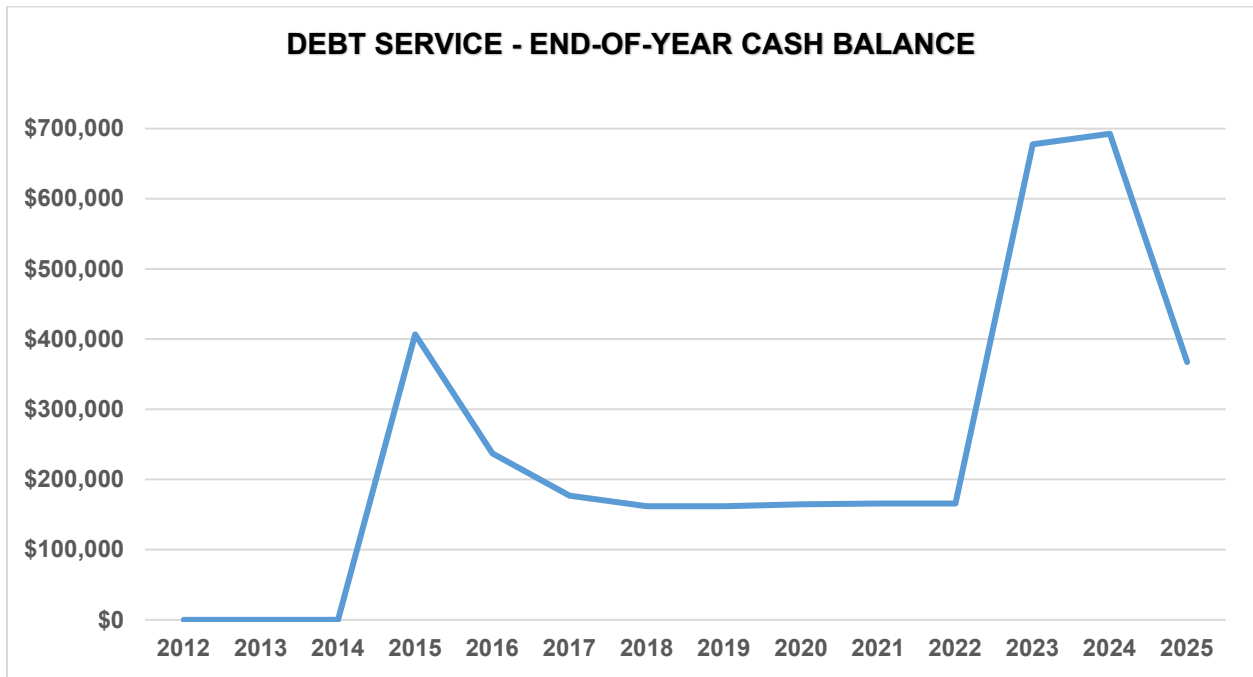


**DEBT SERVICE FUND**

The 2024 Debt Service Fund ended the year with a deficit of \$325,323, which decreased the Debt Service reserve account to \$367,322.

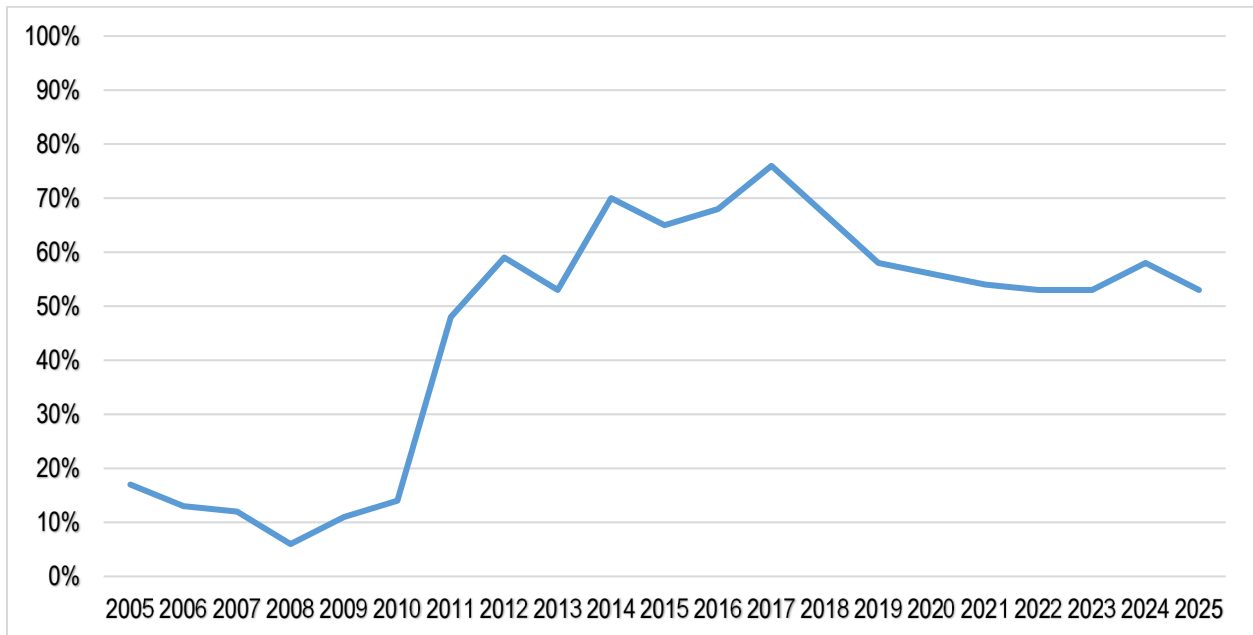
**CASH BALANCE (Reserve) AT END OF FISCAL YEAR – DEBT SERVICE**

YEAR	Cash Balance	YEAR	Cash Balance	YEAR	Cash Balance
2025	\$367,322	2019	\$161,701	2014	\$0
2024	692,646	2018	161,701	2013	0
2023	673,555	2017	176,916	2012	0
2022	165,768	2016	237,069	2011	0
2021	165,661	2015	406,658	2010	0
2020	164,444				



One measure of the Village's debt is the percentage of the legal debt margin being utilized. The Wisconsin Constitution limits the total general obligation indebtedness of a municipality to not exceed five (5) percent of the equalized value of taxable property within the municipality's jurisdiction. The Village's percent of the legal debt limit used is 53 percent in 2026, which is five (5) percent better than the previous budget year. The Village is scheduled to pay off \$15,138,241 in General Obligation debt over the next three years (2026 - \$4,845,760; 2027 - \$4,985,733; 2028 - \$5,306,748), which is improve our debt percentage ratio considerably prior to the Hobart Municipal Center project.

### VILLAGE DEBT PERCENTAGE OF LEGAL LIMIT (5 %)



VILLAGE DEBT TO LEGAL DEBT MARGIN HISTORY (2005-2025)					
YEAR	Equalized Value	Debt Limit (5%)	Net General Obligation Debt	Available Debt Capacity	Percent of legal debt limit used
2025	\$1,677,209,900	\$83,860,495	\$44,595,019	\$39,265,476	53%

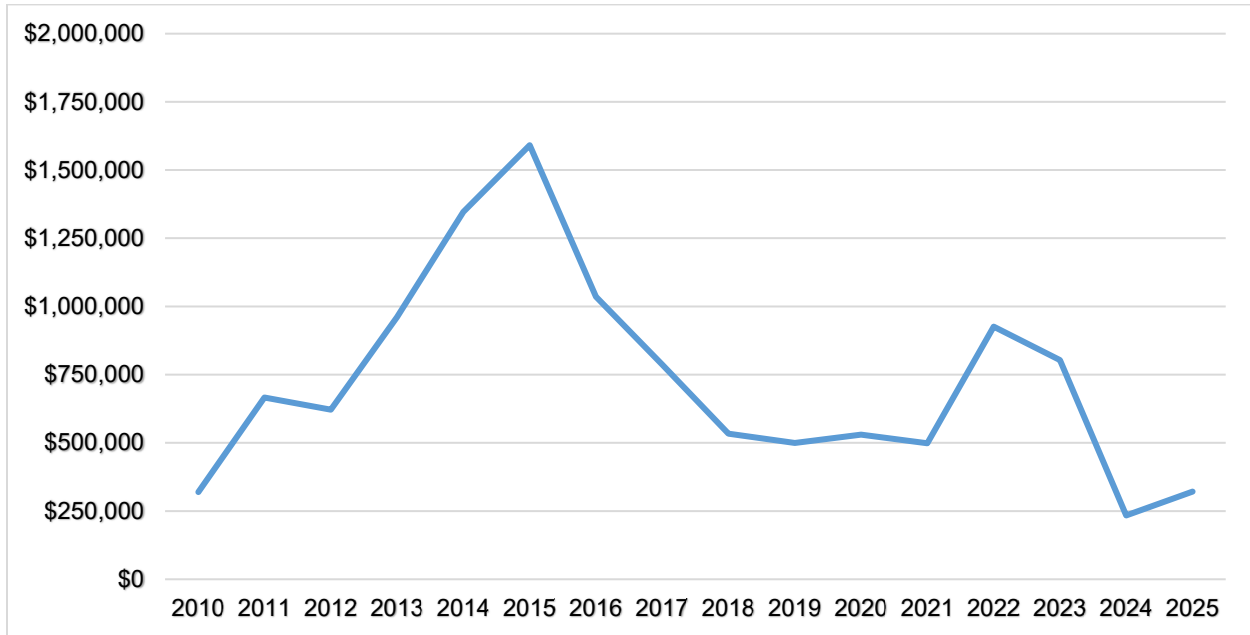
2024	\$1,675,587,900	\$83,779,395	\$48,393,922	\$35,385,473	58%
2023	\$1,514,933,400	\$75,746,670	\$39,876,980	\$35,869,690	53%
2022	\$1,293,863,100	\$64,693,155	\$34,101,516	\$30,591,639	53%
2021	\$1,137,391,600	\$56,869,580	\$30,717,530	\$26,152,050	54%
2020	\$1,056,501,600	\$52,825,080	\$29,520,124	\$23,304,956	56%
2019	\$971,510,200	\$48,575,510	\$28,217,572	\$20,357,938	58%
2018	\$895,943,900	\$44,797,195	\$30,113,636	\$14,683,559	67%
2017	\$816,331,800	\$40,816,590	\$30,936,904	\$9,789,686	76%
2016	\$771,684,600	\$38,584,230	\$26,390,938	\$12,193,292	68%
2015	\$751,542,900	\$37,577,145	\$24,404,476	\$13,172,669	65%
2014	\$708,327,100	\$35,416,355	\$24,858,326	\$10,558,029	70%
2013	\$671,653,400	\$33,582,670	\$17,959,305	\$15,623,365	53%
2012	\$641,048,400	\$32,052,420	\$19,069,391	\$12,983,029	59%
2011	\$628,620,700	\$31,431,035	\$14,973,507	\$16,457,528	48%
2010	\$615,521,000	\$30,776,050	\$4,247,569	\$26,528,481	14%
2009	\$629,680,100	\$31,484,005	\$3,435,870	\$28,048,135	11%
2008	\$631,037,600	\$31,551,880	\$1,929,760	\$29,622,120	6%
2007	\$609,943,300	\$30,497,165	\$3,540,174	\$26,956,991	12%
2006	\$622,786,100	\$31,139,305	\$4,012,393	\$27,126,912	13%
2005	\$587,198,100	\$29,359,905	\$4,902,417	\$24,457,488	17%

### **CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

The 2025 Capital Projects Fund ended the year with a surplus of \$86,863.

<b>CASH BALANCE (Reserve) AT END OF FISCAL YEAR – CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND</b>								
YEAR	Undesig. Reserve	Fire Equip	Pub Works Equip	Village Building	Reassess	Tech & Equip	HVAC	TOTAL RESERVE
2025	\$40,124	\$70,000	\$54,200	\$90,000	0	\$16,960	\$50,000	\$321,284
2024	(46,739)	70,000	54,200	90,000	0	16,960	50,000	234,421
2023	521,999	70,000	54,200	90,000	0	16,960	50,000	803,159
2022	495,099	70,000	54,200	90,000	0	16,960	50,000	* 926,260
2021	46,449	70,000	75,000	90,000	0	16,960	50,000	* 498,409
2020	78,420	70,000	75,000	90,000	0	16,960	50,000	* 530,380
2019	213,995	51,000	65,000	84,500	18,257	16,960	50,000	499,712
2018	248,159	51,000	65,000	84,500	18,257	16,960	50,000	533,876
2017	501,437	51,000	65,000	84,500	18,257	16,960	50,000	787,154
2016	800,305	36,000	50,000	69,500	16,111	14,814	49,000	1,035,730
2015	1,525,609	0	20,000	37,000	4,500	4,000	0	1,591,109
2014	1,226,984	70,000	15,000	29,500	3,000	2,000	0	1,346,484
2013	877,686	47,500	10,000	24,500	1,500	0	0	961,186
2012	621,423	0	0	0	0	0	0	621,423
2011	666,203	0	0	0	0	0	0	666,203
2010	319,513	0	0	0	0	0	0	319,513

\* - Includes \$150,000 in Fire Station reserve funds

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND CASH BALANCE AT END OF FISCAL YEAR****OTHER FUNDS**

ACCOUNT	1-1-25 Balance	1-1-26 Balance	Change
Water Utility (02)	\$557,214.00	\$420,541.00	(\$136,673.00)
Sewer Utility (03)	840,719.00	970,302.00	\$129,583.00
K9 Fund (06)	89,197.00	80,965.00	(\$8,232.00)
Storm Water Utility (07)	501,284.00	443,608.00	(\$57,676.00)
Parks and Recreation (10)	448,139.00	192,635.00	(\$255,504.00)
Fire Department Donations (12)	68,033.00	57,225.00	(\$10,808.00)
Police Department Donations (13)	65,318.00	88,556.00	\$23,238.00
* Garbage and Recycling	49,984.00	32,936.00	(\$17,048.00)

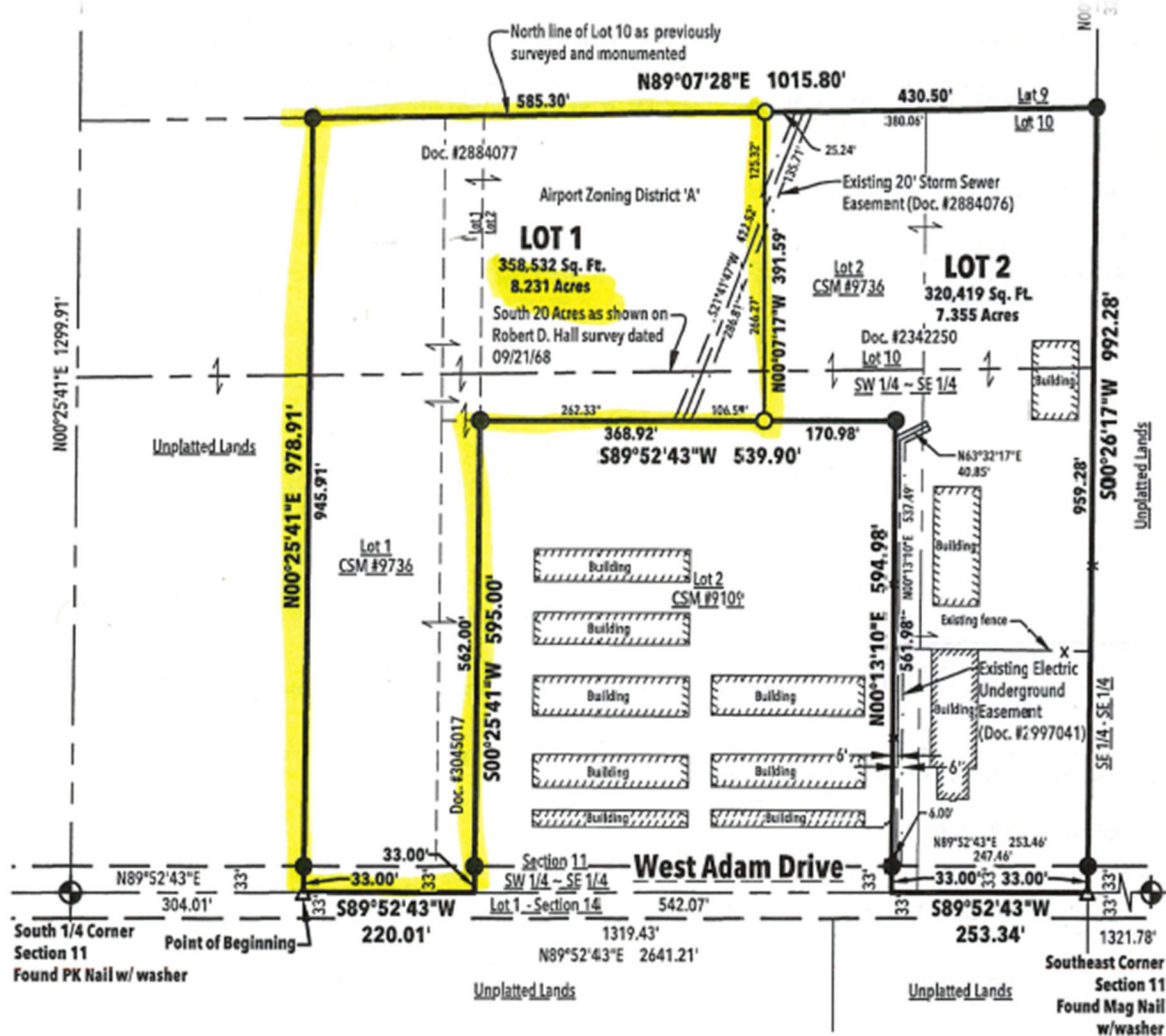
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VILLAGE OF  
**HOBART**  
 GREATNESS IS GROWING  
**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Village Board  
**FROM:** Aaron Kramer, Village Administrator  
**RE:** Additional Purchase of the DeNoble Sewer and Water Construction Property (774 West Adam Drive)  
**DATE:** May 19<sup>th</sup> 2026

**BACKGROUND**

The Village reached an agreement with JDSW LLC, the owner of the property at 774 West Adam Drive (commonly referred to as DeNoble Sewer and Water Construction), to purchase 7.355 acres of the existing business (Lot 2 of the map below) for \$6,225,000.00. Under the terms of the agreement, the Village would pay JDSW LLC \$25,000.00 upon execution of the Agreement, \$100,000.00 in both 2026 and 2027, and then the remaining balance (\$6,000,000.00) before July 2, 2028. That agreement was unanimously approved by the Village Board at a special meeting on Wednesday October 1<sup>st</sup>, resulting in what is now referred to as the Hobart Municipal Center (HMC) project.



Earlier this year, the Village was approached by JDSW LLC regarding the Village's interest in purchasing the remaining 8.231 acres of the business property (Lot 1 of the prior map highlighted in yellow). Discussions were held over the past several weeks on the terms of the additional purchase, which are as follows:

ADDITION TO ORIGINAL DEAL

Lot 1 on certified Survey Map - Remaining 8.231 acres of Joe DeNoble Sewer & Water Const. Inc property, including the construction of one (1) 30-foot driveway from the back to the front (from roadway of West Adam Drive to the back gate) - TOTAL OF ADDITION: \$530,000.00

In addition, the Village would pay the entirety of the purchase price in 2028 (\$6,730,000.00) under the terms of proposed new agreement.

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**FINANCING MODEL**

For the purpose of modeling the new purchase price and construction costs of the HMC, working in conjunction with Baird, the following assumptions are being made:

SIZE OF BORROWING

The overall debt issuance will be \$11,230,000.00 consisting of \$6,730,000.00 for the purchase and \$4,500,000.00 for the design and construction of the HMC.

DEBT SERVICE TARGETS

- Under the proposal, the debt service levy payments for the Village would increase from approximately \$1.05 million (2027) to \$1.35 million (2028). If we did the project and borrowing today, this would result in a \$0.22 increase in the mill rate, or \$22 per \$100,000 of valuation. For example, a property valued at \$500,000 would pay \$110 more in municipal taxes due to the HMC project, assuming all other Village budget items remain constant, which is unlikely. There will be an increase in the mill rate due to the project, but the actual impact will not be known until late 2027 at the earliest.
- The estimated mill rate impact is conservative as Baird assumed a 2.00% annual growth rate (Equalized Value TID-OUT) from now through 2028. The Village will be undergoing a market reassessment over the next year, which will have an undetermined impact on the Village's equalized value.
- This model assumes a conservative interest rate of 4.50%, which if we were in the market today, would likely be closer to 4% - 4.25% based on most economic projections.
- The debt would be structured with having a "Bid Premium" in 2029. What this means is that when the coupon rate is larger than the yield, the buyers of the bonds will give you up-front money to make you whole. This needs to then be applied to your first interest payments on the debt issued, so we are targeting generating a bid premium to offset some of the debt in 2029 and avoid a spike in the debt service levy.
- Depending on rates and timing of the construction project, we may be able to split the total HMC borrowing into two (2) issues, to keep each borrowing as "Bank Qualified". If we issue less than \$10 million in a calendar year, we may receive a better interest rate since you would be considered a "Small Issuer". We will continue to monitor this circumstance as we get closer to the HMC project's actual commencement.
- The Village will still have considerable General Obligation (GO) borrowing capacity after this borrowing takes place. As of December 31, 2025, we currently have \$39.3 million of capacity remaining under state law (47 percent of the state legal limit of \$83.9 million). The Village is scheduled to pay off \$15,138,241 in General Obligation debt from now through the impact of the HMC project is felt (2026 - \$4,845,760; 2027 - \$4,985,733; 2028 - \$5,306,748), which is improve our debt percentage ratio.
- In addition, the Debt Service Fund had a cash balance of \$367,322 at the end of FY2025, which will provide us with some additional flexibility when the HMC debt issuance actually takes place in early 2028.

The Baird model can be found on the following page.



**VILLAGE OF HOBART**  
**HYPOTHETICAL MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMPLEX BUILDING FINANCING PLAN**

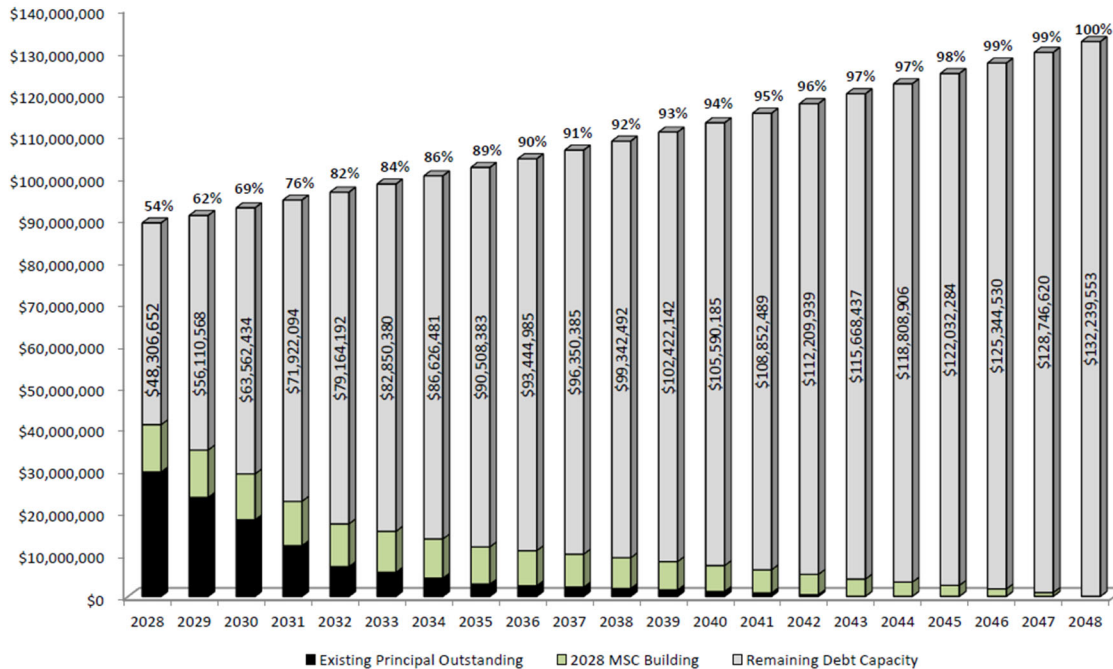
LEVY YEAR	YEAR DUE	EXISTING DEBT SERVICE (Levy Supported)	LEVY SUPPORTED \$11,230,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTES Dated: April 1, 2028 (First Interest March 1, 2029)				COMBINED DEBT SERVICE (Levy Supported)	COMBINED MILL RATE (A)	YEAR DUE
			PRINCIPAL (3/1)	INTEREST (3/1 & 9/1) TIC = 4.50%	LESS: HYPOTHETICAL BID PREMIUM	NET TOTAL			
2027	2028	\$1,046,056				\$1,046,056	\$0.85	2028	
2028	2029	\$1,042,694		\$828,830	(\$521,706)	\$307,123	\$1,349,817	\$1.07	2029
2029	2030	\$423,345	\$345,000	\$575,569		\$920,569	\$1,343,914	\$1.05	2030
2030	2031	\$423,747	\$365,000	\$556,044		\$921,044	\$1,344,790	\$1.03	2031
2031	2032	\$423,748	\$390,000	\$535,281		\$925,281	\$1,349,029	\$1.01	2032
2032	2033	\$423,343	\$410,000	\$513,281		\$923,281	\$1,346,624	\$0.99	2033
2033	2034	\$422,545	\$435,000	\$490,044		\$925,044	\$1,347,589	\$0.97	2034
2034	2035	\$426,247	\$460,000	\$465,431		\$925,431	\$1,351,678	\$0.95	2035
2035	2036	\$405,400	\$485,000	\$439,444		\$924,444	\$1,329,844	\$0.92	2036
2036	2037	\$403,200	\$510,000	\$412,081		\$922,081	\$1,325,281	\$0.90	2037
2037	2038	\$405,500	\$540,000	\$383,206		\$923,206	\$1,328,706	\$0.88	2038
2038	2039	\$407,200	\$570,000	\$352,681		\$922,681	\$1,329,881	\$0.87	2039
2039	2040	\$408,300	\$600,000	\$320,506		\$920,506	\$1,328,806	\$0.85	2040
2040	2041	\$408,800	\$635,000	\$286,544		\$921,544	\$1,330,344	\$0.83	2041
2041	2042	\$408,700	\$670,000	\$250,656		\$920,656	\$1,329,356	\$0.82	2042
2042	2043	\$408,000	\$710,000	\$212,706		\$922,706	\$1,330,706	\$0.80	2043
2043	2044		\$745,000	\$175,953		\$920,953	\$920,953	\$0.54	2044
2044	2045		\$780,000	\$140,688		\$920,688	\$920,688	\$0.53	2045
2045	2046		\$820,000	\$103,688		\$923,688	\$923,688	\$0.52	2046
2046	2047		\$860,000	\$64,300		\$924,300	\$924,300	\$0.51	2047
2047	2048		\$900,000	\$21,938		\$921,938	\$921,938	\$0.50	2048
		\$7,886,825	\$11,230,000	\$7,128,870	(\$521,706)	\$17,837,164	\$25,723,989		

(A) Mill rate is calculated using the 2025 Equalized Valuation (TID-OUT) of \$1,186,407,700 with annual growth of 2.00% thereafter beginning in 2026.



**VILLAGE OF HOBART**  
**HYPOTHETICAL G.O. DEBT CAPACITY AS OF 12/31**

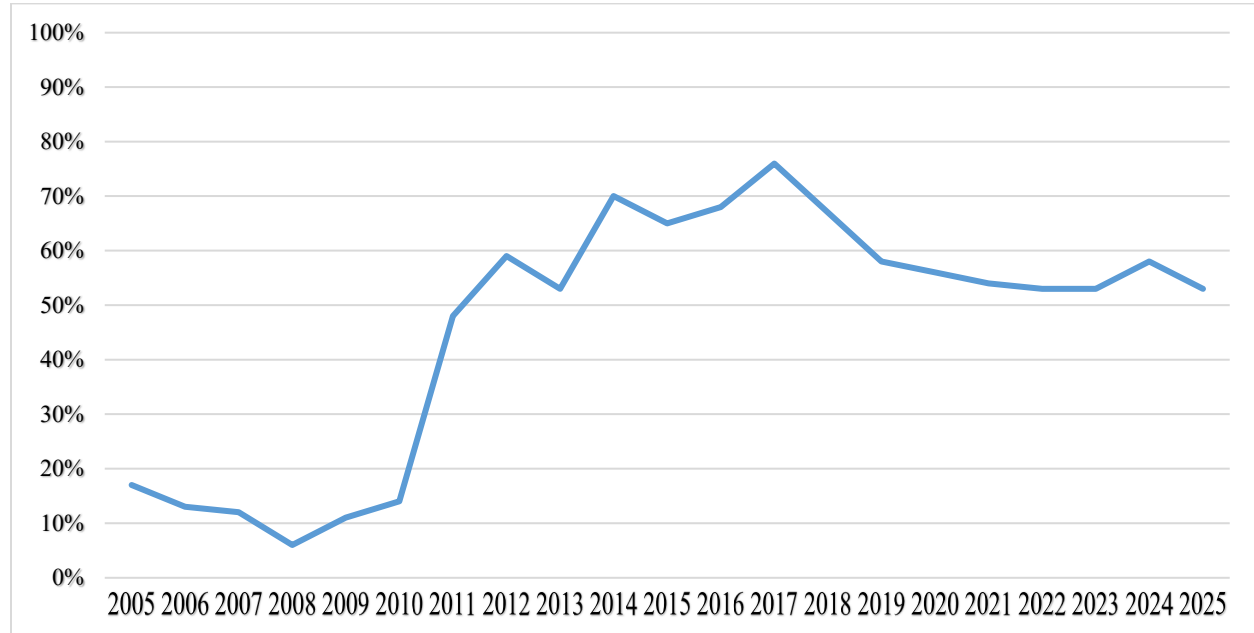
PERCENT OF CAPACITY REMAINING



Note: Future capacity is calculated using the 2025 Equalized Valuation (TID-IN) of \$1,677,209,900 with annual growth of 2.00% thereafter.

## VILLAGE DEBT PERCENTAGE OF LEGAL LIMIT (5%) (2005-2025)

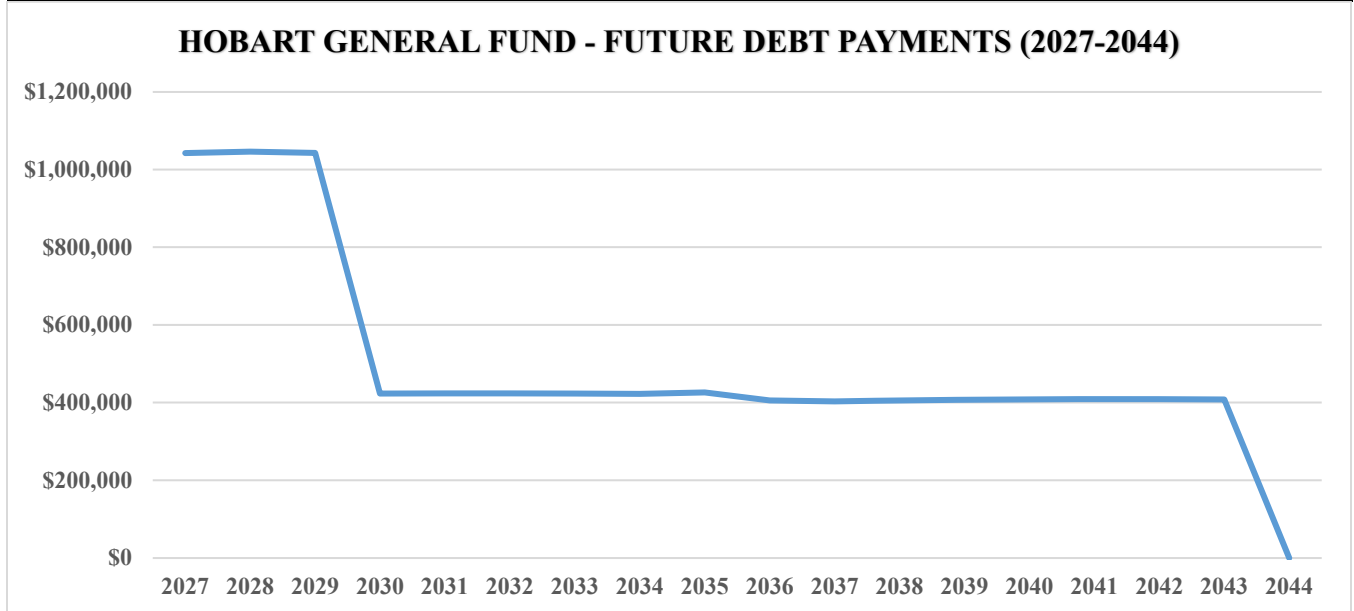
The Wisconsin Constitution limits the total general obligation indebtedness of a municipality to not exceed five (5) percent of the equalized value of taxable property within the municipality's jurisdiction. The Village's percent of the legal debt limit used is 53 percent in 2026, which is five (5) percent better than the previous budget year.



### VILLAGE DEBT TO LEGAL DEBT MARGIN HISTORY (2005-2026)

YEAR	Equalized Value	Debt Limit (5%)	Net General Obligation Debt	Available Debt Capacity	Percent of legal debt limit used
2025	\$1,677,209,900	\$83,860,495	\$44,595,019	\$39,265,476	53%
2024	\$1,675,587,900	\$83,779,395	\$48,393,922	\$35,385,473	58%
2023	\$1,514,933,400	\$75,746,670	\$39,876,980	\$35,869,690	53%
2022	\$1,293,863,100	\$64,693,155	\$34,101,516	\$30,591,639	53%
2021	\$1,137,391,600	\$56,869,580	\$30,717,530	\$26,152,050	54%
2020	\$1,056,501,600	\$52,825,080	\$29,520,124	\$23,304,956	56%
2019	\$971,510,200	\$48,575,510	\$28,217,572	\$20,357,938	58%
2018	\$895,943,900	\$44,797,195	\$30,113,636	\$14,683,559	67%
2017	\$816,331,800	\$40,816,590	\$30,936,904	\$9,789,686	76%
2016	\$771,684,600	\$38,584,230	\$26,390,938	\$12,193,292	68%
2015	\$751,542,900	\$37,577,145	\$24,404,476	\$13,172,669	65%
2014	\$708,327,100	\$35,416,355	\$24,858,326	\$10,558,029	70%
2013	\$671,653,400	\$33,582,670	\$17,959,305	\$15,623,365	53%
2012	\$641,048,400	\$32,052,420	\$19,069,391	\$12,983,029	59%
2011	\$628,620,700	\$31,431,035	\$14,973,507	\$16,457,528	48%
2010	\$615,521,000	\$30,776,050	\$4,247,569	\$26,528,481	14%
2009	\$629,680,100	\$31,484,005	\$3,435,870	\$28,048,135	11%
2008	\$631,037,600	\$31,551,880	\$1,929,760	\$29,622,120	6%
2007	\$609,943,300	\$30,497,165	\$3,540,174	\$26,956,991	12%
2006	\$622,786,100	\$31,139,305	\$4,012,393	\$27,126,912	13%
2005	\$587,198,100	\$29,359,905	\$4,902,417	\$24,457,488	17%

FUTURE LEVY SUPPORTED DEBT PAYMENTS SCHEDULE (2027-2036)					
YEAR	Total	Principal	YEAR	Total	Principal
2027	1,042,461.66	792,720.00	2032	423,748.06	271,135.00
2028	1,046,056.48	823,340.00	2033	423,343.12	281,915.00
2029	1,042,693.64	848,990.00	2034	422,545.06	292,740.00
2030	423,345.47	249,670.00	2035	426,246.87	308,605.00
2031	423,746.66	260,385.00	2036	405,400.00	300,000.00



**PROPOSED MOTION**

Unless there is additional information requested, the recommended motion is as follows:

\* To approve the purchase of Lot 1 on the certified Survey Map provided at tonight’s meeting, which is the remaining 8.231 acres of the Joe DeNoble Sewer & Water Const. Inc property, from JDSW LLC for \$530,000.00, with the purchase to include one (1) 30-foot driveway from the back to the front of the property, from West Adam Drive to the back gate of the purchased property, at the discretion of the Village, and furthermore to direct the Village Attorney to draft an amended agreement to the previously agreed upon 2025 agreement between the Village and JDSW LLC to reflect the changes in this motion.

# ***HOBART/LAWRENCE***

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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*Michael Renkas*  
 Chief



TO: Village of Hobart Board  
 FROM: Michael Renkas, Chief of Police  
 DATE: May 13, 2026  
 RE: Patrol Overhire Request and Restoration of Night Power Shift

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this memorandum is to request authorization for an overhire position within the Patrol Division to restore a dedicated night power shift and improve operational staffing stability during identified peak call-for-service hours.

This recommendation is based on staffing analysis, operational workload review, and observed deficiencies in the Department's current ability to absorb routine staffing losses caused by vacation usage, training, comp time, sick leave, and staffing vacancies. While not a complete long-term staffing solution, the proposed overhire represents a practical and immediate step to improve staffing resiliency, reduce operational exposure, and restore lost patrol capacity.

### **Background**

The Department previously utilized a dedicated power shift in 2016; however, in 2023 the position was reassigned to support a more consistent supervisory schedule structure that better addressed span of control, organizational oversight, and daily operational management needs. Specifically, supervisory staffing was transitioned into a noon-to-midnight deployment model that aligned more consistently with patrol operations and the Department's increasing demand for supervisory presence during high-activity periods.

While this adjustment improved supervisory consistency and organizational efficiency, the operational need for a power shift never disappeared.

The Department has continued attempting to accomplish two separate objectives simultaneously within the same staffing framework:

1. Maintain consistent supervisory deployment and span of control; and
2. Provide additional patrol staffing during high call-volume periods.

Operational analysis now demonstrates that the current structure cannot sustainably accomplish both objectives without creating recurring staffing deficiencies elsewhere in the schedule.

### **Operational Findings**

Department staffing analysis identified that the highest demand periods for calls for service and proactive activity consistently occur between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m.

This finding directly influenced the current supervisory deployment schedule of noon to midnight. However, despite aligning supervisors during these higher workload hours, the Department continues to experience significant staffing vulnerabilities when routine staffing losses occur.

Under the current model, if an officer utilizes vacation, comp time, sick leave, training leave, or if a vacancy exists, there is frequently no operational buffer available to absorb the loss. In many cases, this reduces patrol staffing to a single officer for extended periods of time.

While these staffing deficiencies exist throughout the schedule, daytime operations possess limited auxiliary support through:

- School Resource Officers,
- the Investigator,
- the Assistant Chief,
- and the Chief of Police.

No equivalent operational buffer exists during evening and overnight hours.

As a result, staffing shortages on nights create a significantly greater operational risk and substantially reduce the Department's ability to effectively respond to calls for service, maintain proactive patrol activity, and safely manage critical incidents.

### **Purpose of the Proposed Overhire**

The proposed overhire position would be utilized to restore a dedicated night power shift designed specifically to stabilize patrol operations during peak demand hours and absorb routine staffing deficiencies.

The proposed deployment concept would:

- Improve overlap during high call-volume periods;
- Reduce single-officer deployment situations;
- Increase operational flexibility;
- Improve response resiliency during leave usage and vacancies;
- Reduce reliance on overtime and forced schedule adjustments;
- Restore lost patrol capacity; and
- Improve overall staffing survivability during periods of operational stress.

Importantly, this recommendation is not presented as a complete long-term staffing solution. Rather, it represents a deliberate and measured first step toward restoring operational stability while the Department continues evaluating future staffing needs through ongoing analysis.

### **Current Staffing Conditions**

Current staffing conditions demonstrate a consistent gap between available personnel and operational demand. The Department has historically relied upon:

- overtime,
- supervisor flexing,
- shift adjustments,
- and schedule modifications

to maintain minimum staffing levels.

While these efforts have temporarily preserved operations, they are increasingly unsustainable and place substantial strain on existing personnel.

The Department’s staffing analysis further demonstrated that the loss of even one officer frequently creates significant operational exposure that cannot realistically be corrected without overtime or reduced coverage expectations.

The proposed overhire would provide immediate operational flexibility while allowing the Department to responsibly manage staffing levels moving forward.

**Financing the Overhire — 2026**

Although the overhire request was not included in the approved 2026 budget, the Department has identified measurable one-time savings that create sufficient flexibility to support the addition of an officer later in calendar year 2026 without exceeding the approved personnel budget.

These savings fall into the following categories:

**Personnel-Related Savings**

Following a personnel departure in February 2026, and accounting for recruitment, onboarding, and entry-level compensation, the Department projects approximately \$35,319 in personnel and fringe benefit savings.

These savings are attributable to:

- the extended vacancy period,
- delayed operational deployment,
- and lower entry-level compensation compared to the prior employee.

**Operational & IT Savings**

Additional operational reductions identified for 2026 include:

- non-renewal of select software services,
- cellular provider transition savings,
- and other IT-related efficiencies.

Total projected operational savings are approximately \$15,997.68

**Additional Offset Opportunities**

Additional operational flexibility may also exist through reductions in part-time staffing expenditures, with an estimated additional savings of \$9,000 in 2026.

**Total Estimated 2026 Available Offset**

Category	Estimated Savings
Personnel Vacancy Savings	\$35,319
Operational / IT Savings	\$15,997.68
Potential Part-Time Reduction	\$9,000
Total Potential Offset	\$60,316.68

**Estimated 2026 Overhire Cost**

Using a conservative estimate based on a lateral officer hire beginning in August 2026, the estimated 2026 Salary & Benefit Cost is approximately \$44,636.

Even using conservative assumptions, the Department would retain a reasonable financial cushion within the approved budget to absorb variable expenses and unforeseen operational costs.

The Department is also willing and capable of utilizing donation funds for select equipment-related expenses associated with the position.

**Long-Term Fiscal Impact — 2027**

While the overhire would initially be supported through one-time 2026 savings, the long-term fiscal impact entering the 2027 budget cycle remains relatively modest and sustainable when viewed in context of offsetting savings and revenue adjustments.

**Structural Personnel Savings**

The replacement of the recent departure with an entry-level officer instead of a top-step employee produces an estimated \$20,000 annual structural savings. This effectively lowers the Department’s ongoing baseline personnel expenditures moving forward.

**Lawrence Revenue Increase**

Under the current joint cost-sharing agreement, the Town of Lawrence’s projected contribution to the Department is expected to increase by \$39,695 in 2027. This directly offsets a substantial portion of the overhire expense.

**Continuing Operational Efficiencies**

Recurring operational savings identified moving into 2027 include:

- cellular service reductions,
- reduced CJIS compliance expenditures,
- and software related cost reductions.

Estimated continuing operational savings are approximately ~\$28,277 annually.

**Estimated Net 2027 Impact**

Category	Amount
Full Estimated Overhire Cost	~\$106,000
Structural Salary Savings	(~\$20,000)
Lawrence Revenue Increase	(~\$39,695)
Continuing Operational Savings	(~\$28,277)
Estimated Net Impact	~\$18,000 (without continued part-time savings)

**Conclusion**

The Department’s staffing analysis demonstrates that current operational demands continue exceeding available patrol staffing capacity, particularly during evening and overnight periods where no meaningful staffing buffer exists.

The proposed overhire and restoration of a dedicated night power shift represent a practical, immediate, and fiscally responsible step toward stabilizing patrol operations and restoring lost staffing resiliency. While this recommendation is not presented as a complete solution to long-term staffing challenges, it directly addresses current operational realities and improves the Department's ability to:

- absorb staffing shortages,
- maintain safer staffing levels,
- reduce reliance on overtime,
- improve deployment flexibility,
- and better align patrol staffing with demonstrated workload demand.

Importantly, the proposal is financially achievable within existing 2026 budget conditions and remains sustainable moving into future budget cycles with relatively limited ongoing fiscal impact to the Village of Hobart.

The Department will continue monitoring staffing conditions, workload demands, and operational effectiveness and will provide future recommendations as conditions evolve.

Sincerely,

Michael Renkas  
Chief of Police

VILLAGE OF  
**HOBART**  
GREATNESS IS GROWING  
**MEMORANDUM**



**TO:** Village Board  
**FROM:** Aaron Kramer, Village Administrator  
**RE:** Request for Bailiff for Municipal Court  
**DATE:** May 19<sup>th</sup> 2026

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**BACKGROUND**

Judge Gregg Schreiber has formally requested the Village of Hobart and the Town of Lawrence approve and hire a bailiff for the Hobart-Lawrence Municipal Court. His letter of request, per state statute, is included with this memo. In discussions with the police chief, we believe the budgetary impact will be minimal, and there will be a benefit to the Hobart-Lawrence Police Department, who have been providing security for the court, thereby reducing the available manpower in the field (see attached memo).

**BUDGETARY IMPACT**

4-6 hours per month @ \$25 per hour → \$100-150 per month

Please note the Lawrence Town Board must approve the creation of the position before we proceed to fill it.

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**PROPOSED MOTION**

To approve the creation of the bailiff position in the Hobart-Lawrence Municipal Court, and direct staff to proceed with filling said position, with approval of the Municipal Judge.

**HOBART/LAWRENCE**  
**MUNICIPAL COURT****Honorable Gregg Schreiber**  
Municipal Judge

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May 8, 2026

Re: Request for Security Presence During Municipal Court Sessions

Dear Administrators & Board Members,

I am writing to formally request that the Village of Hobart and Town of Lawrence provide a dedicated armed law enforcement officer or armed security personnel during all scheduled Municipal Court sessions pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute §755.17(2).

Municipal Court proceedings regularly involve emotionally charged matters, including ordinance violations, contested hearings, trials, sentencing-related matters, and interactions with defendants and members of the public who may be upset, confrontational, or unpredictable. As the Court continues to serve the public, maintaining a safe and secure environment for all participants is essential.

Wisconsin Statute §755.17(2) provides that:

“The governing body of the city, village, or town shall provide a courtroom for a municipal court, which shall be in an adequate facility... The court room shall be designed and furnished to create and promote the proper atmosphere of dignity, safety, and decorum for the operation of the court. **Upon request of the municipal judge, the governing body shall provide an armed guard or officer for court sessions.**”

Given the nature of court proceedings and the increasing concern for safety within public buildings and court environments nationwide, I believe that the presence of an armed officer or guard during court sessions constitutes a reasonably necessary service for the proper functioning of the Court.

This request is made not only as a proactive safety measure, but also in recognition of the responsibility to ensure a secure environment for all individuals attending court proceedings. I respectfully ask that the Board/Administration implement a policy or staffing arrangement to provide an armed officer or guard during every Municipal Court session moving forward in accordance with Wisconsin State Statute §755.17(2).

Sincerely,

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Gregg Schreiber, Municipal Judge

# **HOBART/LAWRENCE**

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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*Michael Renkas*  
Chief



May 12, 2016

Dear Administrators and Board Members,

The recommendation to establish a dedicated bailiff position for the Hobart/Lawrence Municipal Court is both operationally necessary and fiscally responsible given the current staffing realities facing the Police Department. Judge Gregg Schrieber and I jointly support this request based on the increasing difficulty of consistently providing court coverage through existing patrol staffing levels.

At present, the Police Department provides bailiff services when staffing and operational demands allow. However, there have been occasions when no officer was available to fulfill those duties due to call volume, minimum staffing considerations, training obligations, or other operational needs. Since being hired, I have personally stepped into the bailiff role and so has our investigator. While this demonstrates our commitment to supporting the Court, it is not a sustainable long-term solution.

When a patrol officer is assigned to bailiff responsibilities, that officer is removed from patrol operations for several hours at a time. This creates a direct impact on service delivery by reducing available proactive patrol presence within Hobart and Lawrence, limiting our flexibility to respond to emergent calls for service, and increasing the likelihood of delayed response times. In an environment where staffing resources are already limited, the continued reliance on sworn patrol personnel to fulfill court security functions further compounds existing operational challenges.

A dedicated bailiff position would provide consistency and reliability for Municipal Court operations while simultaneously allowing sworn officers to remain focused on their primary public safety responsibilities. This approach would improve operational efficiency, enhance courtroom security, and better align staffing resources with their intended public safety functions.

This request is not about expanding services unnecessarily; it is about addressing a current operational gap in a manner that supports both the Court and the Police Department while preserving the level of service our communities have come to expect.

Sincerely,

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Michael Renkas  
Chief of Police