

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

**Date/Time: Tuesday April 21<sup>st</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 6:04 pm. Dave Dillenburg, Vanya Koepke, Melissa Tanke, and Rich Heidel were present. Excused: Tammy Zittlow.
- 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: Dillenburg SECOND: Tanke. VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

**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 8<sup>th</sup> 2026 (Regular)**

ACTION: To approve item A. Payment of Invoices to include manual checks. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Dillenburg. VOICE VOTE 4-0.

ACTION: To approve item B. VILLAGE BOARD: Minutes of April 8<sup>th</sup> 2026 (Regular). MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Koepke. VOICE VOTE 3-0, Tanke recused.

**6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA** – None.

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

No one spoke.

**A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Petition to Lower Speed Limit on Cyrus Drive**

The petition is asking the Village to lower the speed limit on a portion of Cyrus Drive from 45 to 25 MPH. Staff would recommend that the petition be accepted and forwarded to the Public Works and Utilities Advisory Committee for further discussion and a recommendation.

ACTION: To accept the Petition to Lower Speed Limit on Cyrus Drive, place it on file, and to forward it to Public Works & Utilities Advisory Committee. MOTION: Tanke SECOND: Dillenburg. VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

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

## **A. INFORMATION**

1. March 31, 2026 Associated Bank Investment Portfolio
2. March 31, 2026 Stephenson National Bank Investment Portfolio
3. March 31, 2026 Bank Account Balances
4. Hobart-Lawrence Police Department 2025 Annual Report
5. Hobart-Lawrence Police Department 2026 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report

Administrator Kramer presented the above reports to the Village Board.

The audit report is here and was given to the Board.

Director Lancelle reviewed roads damaged by the rain.

Update on the Hobart State of Emergency.

Fire Commission will meet on April 27.

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

HALOPS(HALO)- met this morning. It was not determined which member will hold the meeting next month.

### **A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Proposed Pedestrian Trail on the Former Railroad Bed in Hobart**

At its March 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission passed the following recommendation to the Board: *“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.”*

ACTION: To formally extend an invitation to the Oneida Nation to meet in person at a location of the Nation’s choice with Village of Hobart representatives, Village President Rich Heidel; Village Administrator Aaron Kramer; and Village Counsel Frank Kowalkowski to discuss the proposed pedestrian trail on the former railroad bed in Hobart. This invitation should present 5 possible meeting dates. MOTION: Koepke SECOND: Tanke. VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

## **10. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Policy 2026-04 (USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) POLICY)**

The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures and guidelines for AI systems used by, or on behalf of, the Village, and enables the Village to use AI systems for the benefit of the community while safeguarding against potential harm. This is second reading of the proposed policy and has been slightly modified after review by the Village’s legal department.

ACTION: To approve Policy 2026-04 (USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) POLICY) as presented. MOTION: Dillenburg SECOND: Koepke. VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

### **B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION - Ordinance 2026-06 (AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE ARTICLE V (GOLF CARTS) OF CHAPTER 264 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF HOBART, BROWN COUNTY, WISCONSIN)**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to regulate the operation of golf carts on Village roadways to promote public safety while allowing limited recreational and residential transportation. A \$50 permit fee has been added to the ordinance since its first reading on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

ACTION: To suspend the rules of regular meeting order. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Dillenburg VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

Appearing before the Board:

Eva Vitale, 4288 Sawgrass Ct, addressing the golf course’s use of public roads with their carts.

Rusty Bishop, 915 Kings Point Ct, addressing safety concerns.

Mary Kay Bishop, 915 Kings Point Ct, addressing fees.

ACTION: To return to the rules of regular meeting order. MOTION: Dillenburg SECOND: Heidel VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

ACTION: To approve Ordinance 2026-06 (AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE ARTICLE V (GOLF CARTS) OF CHAPTER 264 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF HOBART, BROWN COUNTY, WISCONSIN) as presented. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Dillenburg. VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

## **11. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Awarding of the 2026 Packerland Drive Sanitary Sewer Extension project (Contract 2320-25-01)**

Staff is recommending that the project be awarded to Jossart Brothers (De Pere, WI) for \$484,560.00 with the funding to come from the Sanitary Sewer Fund (\$284,560.00) and Tax Increment District (TID) #2 (\$200,000.00).

ACTION: To award the 2026 Packerland Drive Sanitary Sewer Extension project (Contract 2320-25-01) to Jossart Brothers (De Pere, WI) for \$484,560.00 with the funding to come from the Sanitary Sewer Fund (\$284,560.00) and Tax Increment District (TID) #2 (\$200,000.00). MOTION: Dillenburg SECOND: Koepke. VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

### **B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Committee and Commission Appointments**

Each year the Village Board must appoint members to each of its committees and commissions based on their terms. The list of re-appointments from the Village Board President is included in the meeting packet. The new term begins on May 1, 2026.

ACTION: To approve the appointment of all committee and commission members as presented. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Dillenburg. VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

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

Sewer rate proposal will be on the next Village Board meeting agenda.  
Packerland Roundabout paperwork questions.

ACTION: To recess at 7:45 pm prior to going into closed session. MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Koepke. VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

**D. ADJOURN to CLOSED SESSION (8:02 PM):** ACTION: To go into closed session 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: 4-0.

**E. CONVENE into open session (9:02 PM) –** MOTION: Dillenburg SECOND: Koepke. ROLL CALL VOTE: 4-0.

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

**12. ADJOURN (9:03 PM)** – MOTION: Heidel SECOND: Dillenburg. VOICE VOTE: 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa A. Vanden Heuvel, Village Clerk