

VILLAGE of READSTOWN

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Thursday January 8, 2026- Regular Meeting

Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm.
2. Proof of proper notice posted at Farmers State Bank, Post Office, and the Community Board.
3. Roll call: Present: Gander, Nash, Swenson, Howell, Clark, Payne, Larson-Coder. Also present were Charlie R. Strait, Charlie E. Strait, James Weber, Annette Thompson, Monica Matos, Cindy Lindvig, and Scott Wilson.
4. Public Input (3 minutes or less): A resident addressed the board and submitted written materials. No discussion occurred.
5. Howell made a motion to approve EMS 2026 budget, Payne seconded, roll call taken, all in favor, motion carried.
6. Clark made a motion to approve library 2026 budget, Larson-Coder seconded, roll call taken, all in favor, motion carried.
7. Clark made a motion to approve 2026 Fire Department elected Chief-Charlie R. Strait and Assistant Chief-Daniel Tank. Howell seconded the motion, roll call taken, Gander abstained, all in favor, motion carried.
8. Swenson made a motion to approve EMS Bylaw revisions, Nash seconded, roll call taken, all in favor, motion carried.
9. Howell made a motion to approve 2026 Gundersen Health System Agreement Renewal, Payne seconded, roll call taken, all in favor, motion carried.
10. Howell made a motion to approve election officials/chief inspector for 2026-2028, Larson-Coder seconded, all in favor, motion carried.
11. Nash made a motion to approve CSM by Delta 3-Prairie St., Payne seconded, all in favor, motion carried.
12. Nash made a motion to approve contracting with General Engineering Company (GEC) for a building inspector, Payne seconded, roll call taken, all in favor, motion carried.
13. Clark made a motion to approve Mary Beth Fancher's operator license for Kickapoo KWK stop, Swenson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.
14. REPORTS
 - a. EMS: 101 patient contact runs for 2025.
 - b. FIRE DEPT: 53 calls for 2025.
 - c. LIBRARY: in 2025, there were 7 adult events held in which 170 adults attended. There were 2 kids events held in which 12 kids attended. The community garden project remains active.
 - d. PUBLIC WORKS: Had a heater in the basin room serviced.
 - e. CLERKS: Property tax collections are going well.
15. Howell made a motion to approve payment of December bills, Payne seconded, roll call taken, all in favor, motion carried.
16. Howell made a motion to approve December meeting minutes, Swenson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.
17. Clark made a motion to approve next board meeting for 2/12/2026 at 5 PM., Swenson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

18. Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 1985(1)(c) for personnel matters. Payne seconded, roll call taken, all in favor, motion carried.
19. Howell made a motion to reconvene to open session, Payne seconded, roll call taken, all in favor, motion carried.
20. No action was taken on matters in closed session.
21. Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:59 PM, Larson-Coder seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Chelsey Hoffman
Clerk/Treasurer