Village of Iola, Public Works & Property Committee Meeting

June 2, 2025, held at 9:00 AM in the Clerk's Office at Village Hall, 180 S. Main Street, Iola, WI 54945

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM by Chair S. Peterson. The open meeting statement was read by S. Peterson.

Roll Call: Committee members present: Sharyl Peterson, David Harper; Glenn Tetzlaff and Ed Bonikowske

Absent: Jim Rasmussen

Others present: Laura Krogwold Clerk/Treasurer

No Public Comment

The general fund is currently in the negative after the repair bill was paid for the repair work done to well 3. In the next five-to-seven-year span there will be a large expense of water tower painting and Village wide water meter replacement. The clerks will contact the Public Service Commission and see how much money the Water Department is allowed to save for these projects and explore a possible rate increase.

There have been multiple requests for Village water on Sunset Drive, Birch Drive, and Golf Drive. The Clerk's office will send out surveys to the residents living on these streets, to see if there would be interest. D. Harper made a motion to send a letter to the residents on this street, explaining the process of hooking up to Village water and the rough cost per lot for hooking up to Village water. Motion seconded by S. Peterson. Motion passed. Results should be in before the next committee meeting.

Glenn informed the committee that there was a short in the electrical wiring and that is why Streetlights have not been working. He suggested that we start saving money for new light poles and underground conduit.

D. Harper made a motion to accept the relining bid from VisuSewer for up to \$92,650 but decrease the number of linear feet lined to cap the cost as low as \$80,000 depending on Sewer Utility cash flow at the time of the project. Motion seconded by S. Peterson. Motion passed.

Other business was brought before the committee. There have been sidewalk requests from residents to increase the sidewalks to Sentry, both sides of Division Street and John Street, and from Veterans Park to the Mill and possibly to the motel. Sidewalks are installed at the property owner's expense. The clerk's office will follow up on communications with the citizens requesting sidewalks.

Glenn was wondering if in the future buckthorn could be ground down and the Fire Department do a controlled burn to reduce the buckthorn.

No closed session.

Next meeting will be August 11, 2025, at 9:00 AM.

G. Tetzlaff made a motion to adjourn, and D. Harper seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.

Minutes by Laura J. Krogwold, Clerk/Treasurer