

**VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER
BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, March 11, 2026 ~ 6:00 PM
MINUTES**

President Slotten called the meeting to order.

Trustees present: Ninmann, Robbins, Gould, Neuman, Dykstra and Birr,

Village representatives: Marie Abegglen and Craig Abegglen (C-T), Julius Weisensel (DPW), Ron Spurbeck (PD) and Ben Upward (GEC).

Guests: Joy Moore, Paul Sahy, Doug Waterworth and Todd Toman.

Approve Agenda – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Gould and seconded by Trustee Robbins to approve the agenda. All Members – aye - motion carried.

ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Lienke Road Future Improvements – There was discussion at the COW meeting that Lienke Road could be a priority for our Capital Improvement plans. The Board would need to decide if they should do the whole project or just a section of the road for right now. The Developer's agreement with Ben Schmitz would play into the decision.

Capital Improvement Plan Ideas – There has been interest in developing the Waterworth property. Keeping up with road maintenance is always considered. Upgrades to the offices has been talked about for several years.

PUBLIC INPUT

PUBLIC WORKS

Crackfill Proposal from Fahrner \$8,000 - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Neuman to approve the crackfilling proposal from Fahrner. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Chipseal Proposal from Fahrner \$45,723.00 total – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Gould to approve the chipseal proposal from Fahrner. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Shouldering in the Industrial Park – Proposal from Tri-County Paving - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Gould and seconded by Trustee Robbins to approve the shouldering proposal from Tri-County for \$23,936. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Monthly Report – Hay Day Diesel is working on the dump truck, and it should be done by Friday. They have received the UTV. Julius has ordered a back rack for equipment and to protect the back window. The school zone lights are up. Badger Labs is now picking up our samples rather than having to take them to Schumann's and pay UPS charges. Schumann orders the boxes for our samples to be shipped in. They have close to a pallet of boxes left. They have asked that we pay for them as they have no other use for them. They will bill us.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Report – It was another busy month for the PD. The monthly report was reviewed.

Body Camera Grant – They are going to be able to “test” body cameras. They have a couple of proposals, and they are looking into obtaining a grant for a 50/50 match. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Gould and seconded by Trustee Birr to approve the purchase of body cameras if a grant is awarded.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Columbus Rate Study Review – We have 60 days to review the rate study. They are proposing that the rate that we pay now, \$2.00/1000 gallons will increase to \$3.13/1000 gallons. It was also noted that we have not been paying according to the last rate increase of \$2.59/1000 gallons. They are requesting @ \$117,000 of unpaid charges. They have not been billing us at the new rate. They did not increase the charges on their invoices.

MINUTES, BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT

Minutes from March 11, 2026 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Gould to approve the Minutes from 03/11/26. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Bills for payment – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Dykstra to approve the bills for payment. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Financial Report from February 2026 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Neuman to approve the Financial report from February. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Clear Due To/From Sewer Utility to Water Utility \$25,300.62 - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to clear the due to/from Water and Sewer of \$25,300.62.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Reminders: Election Day is April 7th
Clean-up Day is June 6th

ADJOURNMENT - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to adjourn. All Members – aye – motion carried. Meeting adjourned @ 8:00 PM.