



VILLAGE OF THIENSVILLE
Board of Trustees & Committee of the
Whole
MINUTES

DATE: Monday, February 9, 2026

LOCATION: 250 Elm Street, Thiensville, WI

TIME: 6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Rosing called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

President

John Rosing

Administrator

Colleen Landisch-Hansen

Staff

Director of Community Services/Public Works Andy LaFond

Police Chief Curt Kleppin

Deputy Village Clerk/Administrative Coordinator Ben Honeck

Board of Trustees

Jennifer Abraham

Angelina Apostolos

Kristina Eckert (Excused)

Nick Ernster

David Lange

Richard Longabaugh

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

A. Open to any resident or taxpayer on items not subject to a public hearing: Please be advised per §19.84(2), information will be received from the public. Village policy limits a three (3) minute time period per person, with time extension by the presiding official's discretion or a vote of 2/3 of the Board or Committee; be further advised that there may be limited discussion on the information received, however, no action will be taken under public comments. Written comments on agenda items are encouraged to be sent and addressed to the intended body by noon on the day of the meeting. Comments received timely will be forwarded to all members of the body. If you wish to speak, you must pre-register by emailing the Village Clerk at clandisch@thiensville.gov by 4:00 PM on the day of the meeting or by signing in immediately prior to the meeting.

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon request of any Trustee, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda for special consideration.

MOTION to Approve by Trustee Lange **SECONDED** by Trustee Abraham. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Board of Trustees

1. January 19, 2026 (att)

VI. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Police Department

1. January, 2026 (att)

B. Public Works Department

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

VIII. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Historic Preservation Commission

1. December 12, 2025 (att)

B. Southern Ozaukee Fire & EMS Department

1. November 12, 2025 (att)

C. Capital Expenditures

1. December, 2025 - Preliminary (att)
2. January, 2026 - Preliminary (att)

BUSINESS AGENDA

IX. FINANCIAL REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A. Accounts Payable

1. January 17, 2026 through February 6, 2026 (att)
2. Authorization for the Village Administrator to Release Usual and Customary Bills

Administrator Landisch-Hansen noted that large ticket items included February tax settlements, and a payment towards HGS for the Pigeon Creek project.

Due to the earlier meeting date, the full Accounts Payable Report is not available, and the release of usual and customary bills is requested to ensure the Village remains timely with required bills and payments.

MOTION to Approve Release of Usual and Customary Bills by the Village Administrator & Accounts Payable from January 17, 2026 through February 6, 2026 by Trustee Lange

SECONDED by Trustee Longabaugh. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

B. Financial Report

1. December, 2025 - Preliminary (att)

2. January, 2026 - Not Available

Administrator Landisch-Hansen noted that the January report will not be available until after the audit is complete. The audit will take place the week of February 16.

X. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. None

XI. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A. Administrator's Report (att)

Administrator Landisch-Hansen summarized the Administrator's Report.

B. Building Inspection Report

1. January, 2026 (att)

XII. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Review and Action Regarding Resolution 2026-02 A Resolution Providing for the Sale of Not to Exceed \$1,605,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2026A (att)

Kayla Thorpe, of Ehler's, summarized the details of the resolution and bonding process.

Ms. Thorpe noted that the bond is specifically for road programs, carry a 20-year term, and repaid through Village property taxes. Ms. Thorpe explained that the proposed schedule includes awarding the bond on March 16, with receipt of funds on April 9. If interest rates change between now and the bond sale, Ehler's will meet with Village staff to determine whether to pause the process until rates better align with the desired outcome.

President Rosing clarified that the estimated impact to residents would be \$260 per \$100,000 of home value over the 20-year period. Ms. Thorpe confirmed the estimate

Ms. Thorpe also noted that the Village is at 14% of its debt capacity and that this bond will raise that amount to 18%.

Trustee Longabaugh inquired how the Village's 14% debt capacity compares to other municipalities. Ms. Thorpe replied that 14% is very low and that Ehler's would typically not be concerned unless debt capacity approached 75%.

Administrator Landisch-Hansen explained that the Village's goal is to remain below 20% debt capacity.

President Rosing asked whether additional borrowing would affect the \$260 per \$100,000 of home value. Ms. Thorpe stated that the current bonding schedule was designed to maintain that estimate. Additional borrowing outside of the schedule could impact the estimate.

President Rosing thanked Ms. Thorpe for the presentation.

MOTION to Approve Resolution 2026-02 A Resolution Providing for the Sale of Not to Exceed \$1,605,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2026A by Trustee Apostolos **SECONDED** by Trustee Ernster. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

B. Review and Action Regarding a Street Closing Application for The Village Table on September 15, 2026 from 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM (att)

Traci Cain and Rob Kos from Downtown Thiensville noted that this application is for the same Village Table event as 2025.

Director LaFond stated that this application does not relate to the private event that had been discussed in January. The application for that event was withdrawn.

Ms. Cain noted that a dedicated plan is in place in the event of unfavorable weather, which would eliminate the need for a road closure.

President Rosing complimented 2025's Village Table event.

MOTION to Approve a Street Closing Application for The Village Table on September 15, 2026 from 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM by Trustee Apostolos **SECONDED** by Trustee Abraham. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

C. Review and Action Regarding Street Closing Application for Eats & Beats on Main on July 11, 2026 from 7:30 AM to 10:00 PM (att)

Traci Cain and Rob Kos from Downtown Thiensville outlined the details of the proposed event.

The event would coincide with the Suburban Harley event to increase attendance and to gauge interest and viability in a potential street market event and to emphasize and promote Main Street businesses.

Downtown Thiensville's Main Street portion and associated road closure would occur on Saturday only, be marketed and operated by Downtown Thiensville, and include any additional costs to the Village associated with a street closure. Downtown Thiensville would be responsible for notifying affected businesses and will work with Village staff and Village Police to finalize a safety plan for the event.

Trustee Abraham questioned where motorcycles and other vehicles would be parked for the event. Ms. Cain explained that parking will not change from the current setup for the Harley event and that the road closure will not be used for parking.

Trustee Ernster asked about the extent of the road closure. Ms. Cain explained that the specific closure points would still need to be finalized with Village staff to ensure safety.

Director LaFond noted that concrete barriers and use of snowplows would improve enforcement of the closure. Director LaFond recommended that the motion for approval be contingent upon a finalized safety plan, an accurate cost estimate, and a funding plan.

Trustee Longabaugh expressed concern regarding the impact to businesses in the area of the event. Ms. Cain explained that it was difficult to determine the impact before a closure plan is finalized. Downtown Thiensville would finalize the plan only with the approval of affected businesses. Mr. Kos recommended that any motion include approval contingent on the approval of the affected businesses.

Director LaFond requested the Board's guidance on what would constitute business approval, if 100% approval was needed or just a majority. The Board deferred to Village staff's judgment. Trustee Lange believed that 100% approval was not required.

Trustee Lange expressed support for the event.

Trustee Apostolos inquired if the event would be family-friendly. Ms. Cain replied that the event

would be marketed as family-friendly, particularly during the daytime hours.

President Rosing thanked the representatives for the presentation and the owners of Suburban Motors for their cooperation.

MOTION to Approve a Street Closing Application for Eats & Beats on Main on July 11, 2026 from 7:30 AM to 10:00 PM Contingent Upon a Thiensville Police Department Approved Safety Plan, a Village Approved Funding Plan, and Notification and Approval of the Majority of Affected Businesses by Trustee Lange **SECONDED** by Trustee Longabaugh. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

D. Review and Action Regarding Resolution 2026-03 Authorizing the Submission of a Community Development Investment Grant (CDI) to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) for the Meridian Thiensville LLC Mixed Use Development (att)

Administrator Landisch-Hansen explained the purpose of the CDI grant, and that Resolution 2026-04 is a memorandum of understanding outlining responsibilities for the tracking and reporting for the grant between the Village and Meridian Thiensville LLC.

Trustee Abraham asked about the amount of the grant. Administrator Landisch-Hansen answered that the grant required a 3 to 1 match, resulting in \$1,000,000 of eligible expenditures to receive up to \$250,000.

Trustee Longabaugh inquired whether the grant was for the entire development or only the commercial space. Administrator Landisch-Hansen stated that the presence of the commercial space made the project eligible for the grant, but the funds would apply to the entire project.

Trustee Abraham asked whether the funds are granted to the Village or directly to Meridian. Administrator Landisch-Hansen explained that the Village acts as a pass-through; funds would be granted to Meridian although, the Village could require certain stipulations to be met before releasing the funds.

Trustee Apostolos inquired about staff time required for the grant process. Administrator Landisch-Hansen stated that the impact would be minimal, as the full amount is expected to be taken in a single draw.

Trustee Longabaugh asked whether this grant was one-time only. Administrator Landisch-Hansen confirmed it applies only to this project.

MOTION to Approve Resolution 2026-03 Authorizing the Submission of a Community Development Investment Grant (CDI) to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) for the Meridian Thiensville LLC Mixed Use Development by Trustee Lange **SECONDED** by Trustee Apostolos. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

E. Review and Action Regarding Resolution 2026-04 Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Village of Thiensville and the Meridian Thiensville LLC (att)

MOTION to Approve Resolution 2026-04 Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Village of Thiensville and the Meridian Thiensville LLC by Trustee Longabaugh

SECONDED by Trustee Ernster. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

F. Review and Action Regarding Proclamation Commemorating Arbor Day (att)

Director LaFond explained that to maintain Tree City status, the Village is required to issue a proclamation recognizing Arbor Day.

Trustee Abraham asked whether treatment for the Emerald Ash Borer would ever be completed. Director LaFond shared that treatment would continue, but the focus over time would shift to replacing the affected trees. The treatment allows the Village to replace trees over time rather than mass removal.

Trustee Apostolos inquired about the purpose of Tree City designation. Director LaFond explained that it promotes a positive image for the Village and noted it would be difficult to stop, as the Village has held the status for a long period of time.

MOTION to Approve a Proclamation Commemorating Arbor Day by Trustee Abraham

SECONDED by Trustee Apostolos. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

XIV. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

XV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XVI. ANY OTHER MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS BY THE TRUSTEES AS MAY BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD, OR CARRIED OVER FROM THE PREVIOUS VILLAGE BOARD MEETING.

A. Acceptance/Report Of Gifts Received

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to Adjourn at 6:59 PM by Trustee Apostolos **SECONDED** by Trustee Lange. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Submitted by,

Ben Honeck
Deputy clerk

Signed by,

Colleen Landisch-Hansen
Village Administrator/Clerk