

## **VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Date: Wednesday, October 8, 2025 6:30 pm**

**Municipal Building, 250 Parkside Drive, Dorchester WI**

### **Minutes:**

1. Meeting was called to order by Trustee Carter at 6:30pm.
2. Present were Trustee Carter, Trustee Ballerstein and Trustee Schwoch. Also present was Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Reynolds.
3. Motion was made by Trustee Schwoch, seconded by Trustee Ballerstein to approve financial activity for September, 2025. Motion carried 3-0.
4. Motion was made by Trustee Ballerstein, seconded by Trustee Schwoch to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 6:49pm. Motion carried 3-0.

## **VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER BOARD MEETING**

**DATE: Wednesday, October 8, 2025 7:00 pm**

**Municipal Building, 250 Parkside Drive, Dorchester WI**

### **Minutes:**

1. Meeting was called to order by President Lageman at 7:00pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was said.
3. Present were President Lageman, Trustee Ballerstein, Trustee Carter, Trustee Klemetson, Trustee Schwoch and Trustee Goldschmidt. Also present were Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Reynolds, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Christie Erikson, Jennifer Lopez, Guillermo Lopez, Cynthia Johnson, ReAnna Oestreich, Rita Motte, Julie Bach, Jenny Hinker, Clark County Sheriff Kerry Kirn and Nathaniel Underwood – TP Printing.
4. Public Input. Jennifer Lopez expressed her concerns with the Village Board. Clark County Sheriff Kerry Kirn gave a police coverage update.
5. Motion was made by Trustee Schwoch, seconded by Trustee Carter to approve minutes of the September 3, 2025 Board Meeting. Motion carried 6-0.
6. Motion was made by Trustee Schwoch, seconded by Trustee Ballerstein to approve September, 2025 Audit Report, and receive October, 2025 Audit Report from Deputy Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried 6-0.
7. Water/Sewer monthly update – Water/Sewer manager Rick Golz stated well number 2 is cleaned out and running better.
8. Public Works monthly update – Public Works supervisor Clint Penny stated the plow and grader blades are good for this season, picking up five loads of salt for the winter, cleaning the trees and branches on the south end of River County between the road and railroad tracks and been working at the Memorial Hall.

9. Clerk's Office monthly update – Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Reynolds been working on the budget.
10. Library update – Librarian ReAnna Oestreich went over the 2026 Dorchester Library budget and would like the Village Board to consider budgeting \$55,000.00 instead \$44,500.00. Clark County intention is to fund Clark County's circulation at 85% reimbursement from 2024 and not fund any of Marathon County's circulation. Which will equal \$6530, and is a loss of \$18,888.00 from last year's \$25,419.00. ReAnna is encouraging the Village Board to go to Clark County library meeting November 11, 2025 at 7:00pm and express their concerns about the funding from Clark County.
11. Memorial Hall update – September rentals were \$1,325.00 and bowling income was \$1,708.50. Anticipated for October rentals is \$1470.00 and anticipated for November rentals is \$675.00. Strongbodies is Tuesday and Thursday, Bingo starts in November and the Dorchester Loins Pork Supper is November 6, 2025. Red Higgins and Bobby Steen are putting on a free community dance on October 18, 2025.
12. Zoning: Rodolfo Fuentes Mendez building permit for garage floor.
13. Deputy Clerk/Treasurer expressed her concern with the Village Board on previous Board meetings comments and financial activities/reports. Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Reynolds also clarified she had the password for Quickbooks and access to Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Christie Erikson password book since she started working here.
14. Review Budget. Discuss and update on draft 2026 budgets for General, Sewer Utility, and Water Utility Funds.
15. Motion was made by Trustee Goldschmidt, seconded by Trustee Schwoch to TABLE action on financing for 2026 street projects. Motion carried 6-0.
16. Motion was made by Trustee Schwoch, seconded by Trustee Klemetson to accept Trustee Klimpke's letter of resignation from Village Board. Motion carried 6-0.
17. Motion was made by Trustee Schwoch, seconded by Trustee Ballerstein to approve the Public Works, Village Building & Utilities recommendation to have a budget line item with \$2,000.00 per year for future expenses for Fire Station Three Building. Motion carried 5-0. Trustee Goldschmidt abstained.
18. Motion was made by Trustee Carter, seconded by Trustee Klemetson on the Public Works, Village Building & Utilities recommendation to purchase one small ice machine for upstairs bar at the Memorial Hall and to take the money out of the Memorial Hall account. Motion carried 6-0.
19. Motion was made by Trustee Schwoch, seconded by Trustee Goldschmidt to approve the Employee Committee recommendation to approve the Request for Proposal letter. Motion Carried 6-0.
20. Motion was made by Trustee Schwoch, seconded by Trustee Goldschmidt to approve the Employee Committee recommendation to send a Request for Proposal letter to Attorney Michael Shiffler, Attorney Dean Dietrich and Attorney Jessica Tlusty. Motion carried 6-0.
21. Motion was made by Trustee Schwoch, seconded Trustee Goldschmidt to approve quote from Staab Construction Corporation for \$27,900.00 and on November agenda to figure out what account to pay the bill. Motion carried 6-0.
22. Discussion and possible action on approving the following Operator's License applications for July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.
  - a. Motion was made by Trustee Klemetson, seconded by Trustee Ballerstein to approve Hayden Willner. Motion carried 6-0.

23. Motion was made by President Lageman, seconded by Trustee Ballerstein to change the date of next Board Meeting to October 15, 2025. Motion carried 6-0.
24. Motion was made by Trustee Klemetson, seconded by Ballerstein to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.

Jenny Reynolds, Clerk-Treasurer