

June 2022 Village News

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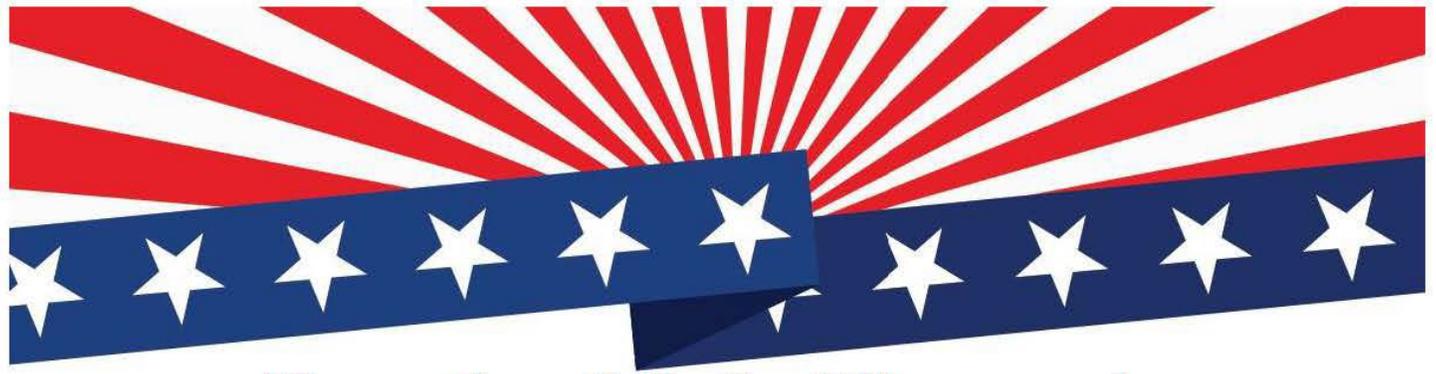
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This years' Summer Recreation Program is a 5-week program that runs Monday through Thursday. Children who live in Brooklyn (& Oregon School District*) are welcome to spend time in this program for a safe place to have fun, socialize and learn a little during the summer months. We are looking forward the 2022 session with the terrific kids of Brooklyn. Your children can look forward to a summer of new games and projects that will keep them involved and looking forward to the next day. Our focus has been to offer a quality summer school-age program. The Recreation Coordinators will prepare a variety of exciting activities that allow your child's mind and body to stay motivated while meeting friends and having fun! *Children from Oregon are welcome to join us, but we do not provide transportation to and from the program (the only transportation we provide is for field trips).

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July 2, 2022

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Brooklyn Village Board Meeting Minutes May 9, 2022

The May 9, 2022, Village Board meeting of the Village of Brooklyn was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall by President Mark Bruner. Trustees present were Dan Olson, Sean Brennum, Mike Brusberg, Jacob Bachim, Brandon Arndt and Janeen Podgorski. Also present were Derek and Amber Booth, James Intravaia, Tara Bast from Johnson Block (via Zoom), and Clerk-Treasurer Linda Kuhlman. Pledge of Allegiance. No public comments.

208 Railroad Street – Bruner asked how cleanup is going. Intravaia said he received a call today from the roofer. They want 50% down. It's \$4,800. He's trying to arrange payment. He started cleaning up a couple weeks ago, and now it's mostly done but in piles around the yard. It's close to being done. Bruner stated what has been told to him is the garbage started going down on Friday. Intravaia said he didn't want to disturb PW because he had a question and so he waited until during dumpster days. Bruner said the board gave him a hard deadline of May 9 and it's not been met. Bruner said he drove by today and it's not close to almost done. The deadline was today. Discussion on roofing deadline. Brusberg stated the first time this came up was back in August, but it had been in front of PZ before that. It's been nine months. He asked what do the neighbors think, can they open windows, enjoy their property. How much grace should we give to one when it inhibits neighbors. Bruner said the board has to take action on what is in the best interest of the village. They gave ample opportunity to get it done, gave a hard deadline of today, and it's not done. Intravaia asked to wait until whatever they're going to do with the roof, they do. They have two weeks on a 45-day deadline. Brusberg asked if he will meet the deadline to pay. Intravaia said he's talking with their finance company tomorrow. Brennum said the trash is still not picked up. **Bachim made a motion to order the inspection of inside and outside of the property.** Brusberg seconded. Brusberg stated this isn't easy, and it's not something the board enjoys doing. It's hard on them also and not something they're going to feel good about, but they have to represent the greater village. Intravaia asked to hold off to let the roofing company do it. Bachim said his recommendation is to hold off on the roofing company until the inspection. He'd hate to see him lose good money, depending on what the inspection will bring. Podgorski said to please understand the sense of urgency. Intravaia asked if they could wait until the next board meeting. Motion carried. Bruner said the building inspector will set up a time to come out and inspect the home.

President's report – Bruner would like to wish all the moms in the village and those who perform the role of mom a happy Mother's Day. At the Business expo he met with Sherri Pollock at the Oregon Food Pantry, and his wife came up with an idea to take donations for the Food Pantry at the fireworks. He will get a list of top 10 needs. He met with Mark Mortenson from All Color and the entire staff at O&A, and between the two businesses we have collected \$5,000 in donations. So with the money on hand the fireworks are paid for and we can start collection for next year. He would still like to ask for donations, but this takes the burden off the board, and we can do fireworks without using taxpayer money. He thanked Brusberg for the phone calls. The board thanked him also. **Brennum made a motion to approve the minutes of April 25.** Olson seconded. Motion carried.

Trash Bandits special event rental – Derek Booth said he's hoping to bring back softball. His parents live off Kerch Street. He used to watch softball. He's trying to start a softball tournament in Brooklyn and hoping to do it every year. It's a charity event benefiting Alberts Dog Lounge out of Whitewater. They've talked about doing it in other places. He used to work with the rec program and play sports at the parks. It will be six teams, a one-day thing. Pride Nutrition will have a tent to sell protein shakes and tea-bombs, and another business with sell knick-knacks, and the dog rescue will be present. He's trying to build baskets for them and get other businesses to donate items for the adoption agency. Chewy has donated some things for the cause. They hope to continue the process and do more than a charity for dog rescue. The goal is to find different things to assist and bring business back to a smaller town. He will be in contact with smaller businesses also, and he's talking to Main Street Music to have a show afterwards to bring the teams there and have some business there. Amber Booth stated softball is a huge family thing, and with Derek being from Brooklyn, they wanted to bring their passion. They've been in conversations with Clerk Kuhlman and are talking about insurance. He has an agency that's contacting him in the next week. They're looking to try to reduce the cost or take care of it as part of the fundraiser. He reached out to PW today after they

were gone to talk to them about his plans. He's looking to do a breakaway fence at the smaller field. KB Septic Service will take care of the portapotties for him for the fundraiser. Bruner said to talk to PW and work out the logistics with them, and they will let you know what they can and can't do while following our policy. Derek Booth said they haven't done flyers yet until they get approval. They've done some tournaments and six teams seemed like a good number. If they use both fields, it won't be a problem doing it in one day. Brandon asked if they are starting at 6:30 a.m. Booth said that was setup time. The first game is 8 a.m. and they will run until 8 p.m. for cleaning up. **Brusberg made a motion to approve the Trash Bandits softball tournament with the caveat of providing insurance.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried.

Tara Bast, Johnson Block (audit) – Bast introduced herself as one of partners in the Madison office. They've been working with Brooklyn for many years. She's now the partner on the audit. She provided a copy of the full draft, communication letter and the financial summary. She went through the financial statement overview. Please let her know if there are any questions. The fund financial statements contain statements from the governmentwide funds and the water/sewer funds. The largest portion of the audit are the notes to financial statements, accounting policies and detailed note disclosures to support the financial statements. Other financial reports they assist with are the report Form C to the state which is used to calculate state aids, and that will be filed this week. The water fund has an annual report with the PSC, and that was filed at the end of April. The TIF annual reports are due July 1 and will be drafted shortly and reviewed by the Joint Review Boards by statute. There is nothing new in the communication letter. It's standard language they're required to issue on material weaknesses and internal control deficiencies. Most municipalities rely on them to assist in year-end adjustments. Other comments are in regards to internal controls. The size of the village is small, and there's just a communication of being aware there is a lack of segregation of duties given the size. It's very standard for smaller municipalities and nothing to be concerned about, but they need to report it. There's also a new governmental standard to be required regarding leases.

The report has a general fund balance sheet comparing 2020 and 2021. Village general fund has other assets of \$360,000, which includes an advance to TIF District #2 that is approximately \$352,000. The village had a general fund balance of \$891,433. That consists of three different categories -- nonspendable correlated to TIF advance, so as it starts to repay, that nonspendable will go down, assigned and unassigned increases. The assigned fund balance, which is detailed more on the next page, is the budget rollover or funds set aside for specific purposes. Per policy anything in excess of 30% is assigned for capital projects. There is still a healthy fund balance to add above the 30% and add to the capital assigned fund balance. Village's approved budget was zero balance, and it increased in fund balance of \$64,000. Other governmental funds are special revenue, cemetery, debt service, capital projects, which had a slight increase. This is where ARPA funds are recorded. They're included but not reflected in ending fund balance because it's considered a deferred advance. So as the village decides what to spend and obligate, they will recognize revenue and expenses. The TIF districts are also listed. TIF 1 increased in increment and had minimal expenses. TIF 2 had a positive change in fund balance. That deficit will be replenished with future increment dollars. Capital per village policy is \$105,700 for potential capital equipment items. Pages 3 and 4 look at water and sewer utility operations. Water utility reported income of \$63,000 almost and sewer of almost \$144,000. This is before expenses related to interest on long-term debt. Utility cash flow activity -- water had a decrease in cash for the year, and sewer reported a net increase in cash flow of \$90,000 for 2021 compared to only \$17,000 in 2020.

Pages 5 and 6 take a five-year look at the general fund and debt service expenditures. Largest are PW, safety, debt service or capital outlay. A large portion in public safety is fire and EMS. Pages 7 and 8 are general fund revenues. Page 9 is a look at the last five years of general obligation debt service versus capacity. Per statute the village can borrow up to 5% of equalized value. There is about 36% available in debt limit capacity. The last page is more informational. It looks at the tax roll as a whole and what is made up of the taxes. She is available for questions or to clarify anything. Kuhlman stated she saw mention of the new infrastructure being the Kerch Street project, and it should be Brooklyn Commons/Douglas Drive, and Kuhlman will send a breakdown of the developer paid street items. **Brusberg made a motion to approve the audit.** Brennum seconded. Motion carried. The board thanked Bast. (audit will be posted on the village website)

Resolution for no mow May – Bachim said PW has some concerns. If we push back fines and tickets one month for repeat offenders, it pushes everything back more and more. It puts them a month behind on being able to enforce the regulation. Brusberg said if PW has to cut it, it makes it harder. Not mowing could create more issues for people with allergies. Arndt asked if it's for the whole village or just for people who want to participate. Bruner said if the board approves the resolution and if people choose not to mow, it will not be subject to enforcement by PW. Brusberg said having a family member with allergies, he's not in favor. Bachim said we're already into May, and we will have a lot of complaints and people not knowing about it. He's not against pollinators, but there are other ways people can help pollinators if they choose. **Bachim made a motion to decline Resolution 2022-04.** Olson seconded. Motion carried.

Committee assignments – Bruner would like to get trustee positions finalized tonight. Any objection to the committees assigned. **Brennum made a motion to accept the committee assignments for 2022-2023.** Brusberg seconded. Motion carried. Bruner would appreciate if anyone has someone to serve on committees, to let us know. A lot of the committees meet once or twice a year. Brennum suggested putting on Facebook page. Bruner said Zoning Board of Appeals and Board of Review need more people.

Olson, Brennum, Brusberg and Podgorski looked at bills. **Brusberg made a motion to approve the bills as presented.** Arndt seconded. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report – Financial statements. Month of April had \$195,314.97 in deposits, which includes \$40,816.58 in lottery credits from the state. We had \$585,461.74 in withdrawals, which includes \$400,099.65 in debt service. That is May Clean Water Fund loans. There is a balance in all accounts of \$2,007,520.21. Other financial reports were handed out. Recycling annual report was filed, which is what our grant is based on. The expenditure restraint report has been filed. Government 101 training, Podgorski is interested in taking. Arndt will bring the CD to the next meeting. Podgorski is also taking a couple of zoning webinars. Bruner asked who has been through FEMA training. Kuhlman said Podgorski needs to. Olson and Brusberg aren't sure if they've taken it yet. Kuhlman said it needs to be done if we have to apply for FEMA money. The CMAR report is ready to be updated this month. The PSC annual report has been filed. First Food Truck Night is May 17. Arndt said we have five trucks. Open Book is May 24 from 4 to 6 p.m. to talk to assessor about assessments. Letters went out last week to anyone whose assessment has changed. They will also take phone appointments. The assessments will be on their website also. Board of Review meeting is June 15 from 6 to 8 p.m., but we have to have an initial meeting on June 1 to adjourn to June 15 to meet statutory requirements. Two members have taken the training this year and Olson as well. Kuhlman is a trainer, so she has taken the training. Clerk's office will be closed Wednesday from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for Dane County Clerk's meeting. May 19 and 20 clerk's office will also be closed for the LWMMI conference in Wisconsin Dells. The network computer in the clerk's office stopped working today. Computer Know How is checking for the problem. They said a chip was smoking. They transferred our files to a loaner computer until we can get it fixed. Public Works employee received notification that Dane County is dismissing the ticket for the accident from December. Olson stated Dumpster Days is going well. We filled about 2 dumpsters so far, and metal dumpster is almost full. Had about 50 people on Saturday, about 30 on Friday and about 25 on Sunday. No one from other towns arrived. It runs through May 15. Kuhlman said Oregon Senior Center will be holding a meeting to discuss how funding sources are used. Board members are welcome.

Food Truck Ordinance – Arndt said he updated the copy from the last meeting. He changed date to be effective June 1, paragraph added about do not complete if approved by the village rec committee or board and locations of north/south Douglas Drive adjacent to commercial properties by Dollar General or Mini Mart, Railroad Street, and Prosperity Place. It's pop up and the village won't advertise. January 1 to December 31 for annual permit, and only 4 annual passes and daily permits up to five per vendor in a 12-month period. \$300 fee annual and \$35 for daily permit. For food truck night it's \$50 but we're advertising and they're selling over 100 orders per night for each. The rest is information for the clerk. Board also discussed in ordinance no parking outside of a business, only selling towards sidewalk and not to street, not in front of fire hydrant, no music, operations between 11 a.m.

and 9 p.m. If it's a special event, it would be approved at the board level. Bruner asked how it covers an ice cream truck. Arndt said it should be under exemptions under transient. Bruner would like that back in. Arndt said Honey Hills Farm is exempt, being ag. Anchor would be exempt because it's selling from their business, and nonprofits like Rotary Club can sell but need to get a license. Podgorski asked if we want proof of insurance. Board would like to add in an applicant checklist and add the streets in ordinances. Discussion on locations and how many allowed at a time. Bruner would like to put in file to revisit next March and see if we need to make any changes and review how ordinance is working. Bruner said the biggest concern is giving them cart blanche to come as many nights as they want. He doesn't want to hurt businesses. He thinks it should be reviewed in beginning of December.

Fireworks – Brennum asked if we want to hold off on posting and put something on the poster about donating to the Food Pantry. Bruner doesn't want to wait, we can post that later. Brusberg asked when he's having another volunteer meeting. Bruner will put one together Thursday of next week. He will talk to PW about getting reflective vests for the volunteers. When flyer is finalized, we can post the flyer.

Business Complex expansion – Kuhlman said we haven't heard yet on the grant. It could take two to three months to get an answer. Strand is moving forward, though. They sent an RFP for geotechnical services for approval. They have a task order amendment for their portion. We set up meetings with O&A and All Color to finalize some information. She would like to go into meetings with a tentative price per acre, so she would like Ehlers to do some calculations for an 80% grant, 50% grant or options for no grant. So the board can talk about it at the next board meeting in closed session. Brusberg asked for a scenario of 10% change. Bruner questioned the 8-inch water lines listed on the documents. He thought we were looking at a 10-inch main. Kuhlman can talk to Strand. She questioned if the 8 inch is the laterals. Olson thought the same thing. Discussion on the size of water main.

Brusberg made a motion to approve RFP letter for business complex expansion. Brennum seconded. Motion carried. **Brennum made a motion to hire Ehlers to do the calculations in the business complex for 80, 50 and 10%.** Arndt seconded. Motion carried. **Brusberg made a motion to approve the Strand task order amendment.** Brennum seconded. Motion carried.

Brennum made a motion at 8:05 p.m. to go into closed session. Olson seconded. Ayes - Podgorski, Bachim, Olson, Bruner, Brusberg, Brennum and Arndt. Noes – none. **Brennum made a motion at 8:33 p.m. to come out of closed session.** Podgorski seconded. Ayes - Podgorski, Bachim, Olson, Bruner, Brusberg, Brennum and Arndt. Noes – none. **Brennum made a motion to approve the motion made in closed session.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried.

Brennum made a motion at 8:34 p.m. to adjourn. Bachim seconded. Motion carried.

Linda Kuhlman, WCMC, CMTW

Brooklyn Village Board Meeting Minutes May 23, 2022

The May 23, 2022, Village Board meeting of the Village of Brooklyn was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall by President Mark Bruner. Trustees present were Dan Olson, Sean Brennum, Mike Brusberg, Brandon Arndt and Janeen Podgorski. Jacob Bachim was absent. No Zoom participants. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Linda Kuhlman. Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments – Kuhlman read a statement from Glenn Smeaton received by email – “To Brooklyn officials, I would like to thank the operators of your wastewater treatment plant. I am a retired water and wastewater

operator trainer. I have worked all over Wisconsin and toured all sizes of wastewater treatment plants. I was very impressed by the professionalism of your treatment plant operators. Your plant was clean and well run and your operators were rightfully proud of their facility. Often, operators get much unwanted attention when things go wrong and are ignored when things are going well. To that end, I would like to thank your operators for things going well! “ Bruner also acknowledged the great job the employees do.

President’s report – Bruner wished all board, staff and residents a happy and safe Memorial Day. If you’re going anywhere, watch out for other drivers and deer.

Brennum made a motion to approve the minutes of May 9, 2022. Brusberg seconded. Motion carried.

Bruner stated we have a sign mounted outside the building now and a resolution to change the village posting locations. Kuhlman stated the reason we’re making the change is because the Post Office now closes at 3:00 p.m., which makes it hard to get agendas posted, and the statutes changed in 2015 that we are allowed one public posting place and the website. We will post outside the Village Hall on the new board and the website, but we will continue to post notices at the community building as well. **Brennum made a motion to accept Resolution 2022-05 for Legal Posting Sites.** Arndt seconded. Motion carried.

Olson, Brusberg and Podgorski reviewed the bills. **Olson made a motion to approve bills as presented.** Brusberg seconded. Motion carried.

Public Works Committee – Bruner stated they reviewed the CMAR and the Village has straight As. The plant and staff are working wonderfully. **Bruner made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-04 adopting the CMAR report.** Brennum seconded. Motion carried.

Olson stated Spilde talked with the state highway department, and we can’t put lighted crosswalks on Highway 92 due to there not being enough traffic flow. We need 1250 vehicles, and we’re not hitting that so they won’t accept flashing crosswalks. They discussed using the TID money for putting one in the downtown district, but we can’t put it by the community building on N. Rutland due to the hill and intersection. The only place is on Douglas and that’s out of TID 1. The committee discussed speed boards. We’re looking at about \$9,000-12,000 for solar. Grumke will look at grants for permanent speed boards, but at this point we won’t look at budgeting for them. The committee decision was to table the crosswalks and postpone the speed boards. Brusberg asked if it’s worth doing more of the flags at crosswalks. Podgorski said she keeps seeing them in trees and bushes and everywhere else. Bruner would like to see crosswalk signs in the road but would have to figure out who would put them up and take them down.

Bruner said they discussed making it no parking from the driveway at 201 S First Street to the entrance to Legion Park due to the fact the parked vehicles inhibit emergency vehicles getting into the park. We will postpone action because the letter didn’t go out until mid-week last week and the residents didn’t have enough notice. **Olson made a motion to postpone action on no parking in front of 201 S. First Street until the June meeting.** Arndt seconded. Motion carried.

Public Works Report – Well 2 project materials are here. We need to complete the roof. Sewer monthly BOD effluent was in violation. The limit is 15 milligrams per liter and we had 15.6. They’re working with chemicals to get it straightened out. The plant is up and down and changing constantly. They had to come off biologicals and go to chemicals for a while. They cleaned problem sewer lines. They are working with DNR on changing the new limit put in the permit for phosphorus. The DNR put in .225 mg/l, but that doesn’t take into account the water quality trade, which takes our limit to .8 mg/l. The paperwork has been submitted to DNR. Green County is working on a hazard mitigation plan. We’re using the data from the Dane County plan to complete the Green County plan. Street tree work is in progress. The weather slowed it down. The shelter at Water Tower Park is up and they need to put in the cement slab. New sand at parks is being completed. Oregon Youth Wrestling cleaned the parks and railroad tracks. The Brooklyn student council planted flowers. The landscaping at Village Hall is completed. A new

sign board has been installed at Village Hall. They are working with PD on traffic counts by putting the speed board up at different areas. 2022 street sealcoating will be the week of May 16. They were postponed on Friday due to rain, but they did it today.

Clerk's report – The Facebook sync part of the new village website still isn't working well. We turned off the feature, and we will be refunded a portion of the cost. Clerk and Deputy Clerk went to Dane County Clerk's meeting. The meeting was all about elections. We were able to look at and have hands-on with the new Badger Book, electronic poll books. Dane County Clerk's Office is putting together a guide for the sheriff's and police departments about election laws. We went to the League of Wisconsin Municipal Mutual Insurance conference. They handed out their annual report. They are getting new members and have a healthy balance. We are getting a dividend back again this year, and they will be doing a safety grant again this year, which will be a 100% grant. They will announce the amounts sometime in June. The windows will be washed at Village Hall this month, and the building and drive thru lanes will also be pressure washed. Oregon Youth Center sent an update of their programs. The Food Pantry is looking for a place to distribute the summer lunch program in Brooklyn. They asked if they could use the park or community building. They're looking for groups to get involved. It will be probably Monday and Wednesday during the noon hour.

Fireworks – Bruner stated they had another meeting last week and only three attended. He reached out to an organization to do cleanup the day after. He got a box of decorations donated by Dollar General, and they have another one. He's looking for volunteers to help with parking. He has someone to man the restricted area. They need someone greeting people as they come in. He's reaching out to the Food Pantry, and they might do collections while admitting people into the park. Brusberg asked if there is a cost to the service to pick up the next day or is it volunteer. Bruner stated volunteer. Brusberg asked if he's had a conversation with Barber to get resources from Fire/EMS. Bruner said he will. They're aware of the event. Olson asked if they will come down the day of and inspect. There is an article in the Oregon Observer online.

Brennum made a motion to postpone the food truck ordinance until next month. Olson seconded. Motion carried.

Planning & Zoning Commission – Bruner said at their last meeting they discussed the results of the survey. Podgorski will bring a more detailed report to the next meeting. Some of the items residents asked for were more restaurants and a gas station open. Nothing was a real surprise. They will have more details at the next board meeting. Podgorski said there were comments on the parks. It was a good mix of positive and negative. She will take a look at it. 64 people did the survey. Podgorski asked how often we do a survey. Bruner said when we update the comprehensive plan.

Fire/EMS update – Brusberg reported they had 18 calls for ambulance for April: 4 in Oregon, 4 in Town of Rutland, 3 in Village of Brooklyn, 2 in Town of Brooklyn and 2 in Town of Oregon and 1 in Union and 1 mutual aid. They're happy with the average unit notified while in route is about 3 minutes and 6 minutes to arrival on scene. What is concerning, and they will dig into more, is out of service hours. It was a bad month, and they're frustrated with out of service in March and disappointed in April. They had 158 hours total. They had a whole weekend not in service. With the weather improving and COVID restrictions coming down, people are traveling. They have the same people picking up shifts. They will keep working on it. Ideal is 50 hours a month. Olson asked if they set up weekends with different groups. In the past when it was someone's weekend to work, they had to find coverage if they were not able to run. Brusberg didn't know for sure. We're not the only municipality struggling. Other ones in the area are having the same problem, so we're making runs out of area because of it. Fire and EMS had 21 calls in April: 3 in the Village, 4 in Town of Rutland, 3 in Town of Brooklyn, 2 in Town of Oregon, 3 in Town of Union and 6 mutual aid. The drug take-back went really well, and the rescue kids classes are going well. They've done multiple controlled burns and scheduled medical and fire training. Truck repairs is a big issue. The website is live. Please check it out. No problem with the financials. They looked at multiple options for medical director. UW has two

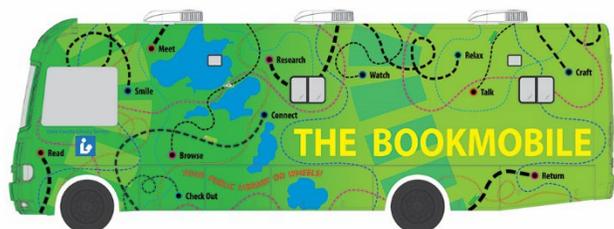
tiers, one bimonthly training and one quarterly training. MEP is quarterly. MEP was most expensive, and bimonthly training with UW was next. UW is more tailored towards what we're looking for, and their availability with a doctor on call was 24-7-365. MEP was 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. They elected to go with UW tier one, which is the bimonthly training for \$5,775. In the past the medical director was provided free, but the budget can handle this. The next meeting is July 13. They will start talking budget in July. Kuhlman added that our deputy was present for the Drug Take Back Day, and they didn't know that the deputy was supposed to provide the boxes. He ended up taking all the items to Dane County and checking them in to the evidence department. Deputy Grumke will talk to the Fire/EMS Department in the fall about running the program through Dane County Sheriff's Department. We did get reimbursement for the deputy's time through Oregon Cares' grant. Brusberg added that revenue coming from runs, collections on EMS, are at nearly \$29,000, and full year budget is \$60,000. Arndt said they have a new collection system.

Brennum made a motion at 7:10 p.m. to convene into closed session pursuant to WI Stats 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties or the investing of public funds and conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session (Business Complex and General Village). Arndt seconded. AYES – Arndt, Brusberg, Olson, Bruner, Podgorski, Brennum. NOES – none. Motion carried.

Brennum made a motion at 8:03 p.m. to reconvene to open session. Podgorski seconded. AYES – Arndt, Brusberg, Olson, Bruner, Brennum, Podgorski. NOES – none. Motion carried.

Brennum made a motion at 8:03 p.m. to adjourn. Podgorski seconded. Motion carried.

Linda Kuhlman, WCMC, CMTW
Clerk-Treasurer



Visit the Bookmobile and sign up for Summer Reading Program!

The Bookmobile visits Brooklyn **EVERY Thursday from 6pm – 7:30pm** at the gazebo. The Bookmobile offers a variety of newly released books, magazines, DVDs, music and audiobooks for children, teens and adults. Can't find it on the Bookmobile? Place a hold and get it within a week.

Register for a library card on the Bookmobile with an ID and proof of address. Already have a library card? You can check out anything on the Bookmobile!

We accept returns from any library, and Bookmobile items can be returned to any Dane County library.

The Bookmobile is for EVERYONE - come check us out!

June 2022 News from Your Senior Center

By Rachel Brickner

The second half of June and the first half of July include some fun opportunities for everyone. Check out some of these offerings and bring along a friend or two (or maybe a grandchild?) to join the fun.

The Center's annual "Show Off Your Dog" dog show will be held on Friday, June 24 at 10:00 (Rain date is Friday, July 1 at 10:00). This is a no-stress fun event in which dog owners can bring their canines and introduce them to the audience. Everyone gets a prize from the show's judge, dog trainer Dan Antolec from Happy Buddha Dog Training. The prizes include such categories as "Best Dressed" and "Happiest Tail". If you would like to share your dog, please call Anne at 608-835-5801 by June 21 to register. If you don't have a dog, come to watch the fun!

On Wednesday, June 22 at 1:00, people will have a chance to build their own bee hotels. All supplies for this project are included in this free program, thanks to a grant that the Oregon Public Library secured. A bee hotel provides a habitat for bees in your yard. Many varieties of bees are vital pollinators and deserve our support.

The Academy-Award winning remake of the classic movie West Side Story will be shown at the Center on Wednesday, June 29, at 1:00. Movies at the Center are shown free of charge and do not require a reservation.

A very family-friendly event is scheduled for the evening of Thursday, July 7. The Senior Center will be hosting an Ice Cream Social from 5:00 to 7:00. That event will include steel kettle drum music performed by Bahama Bob. In addition to build your own sundaes, there will be barbeque and hot dogs available for purchase. The event offers a nice opportunity to get together with friends and family and enjoy a reasonably priced meal while listening to the summery sounds of the Islands.

Beginning the Tuesday evening after that, the Sounds of Summer Concert series begins at Waterman-Triangle Park. This series of concerts is held on July 12, 19 and 26, as well as August 9, 16 and 23. The music begins at 7:00, but dinner is available beforehand, with a different vendor offering a meal each week.

The free concerts kick off with music from Quest. Ziggy's will have food available beginning at 6:00. (In case of rain the event is cancelled.) If the weather cooperates and the concert is held, there will be free ice cream afterwards to celebrate Oregon's "Tin Man" water tower. Please come join in the fun!

If you have any questions about anything happening at the Senior Center, please call us at 608-835-5801.

Click on link below to read the

[July 2022 Senior Center Newsletter](#)

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## Oregon Area Food Pantry

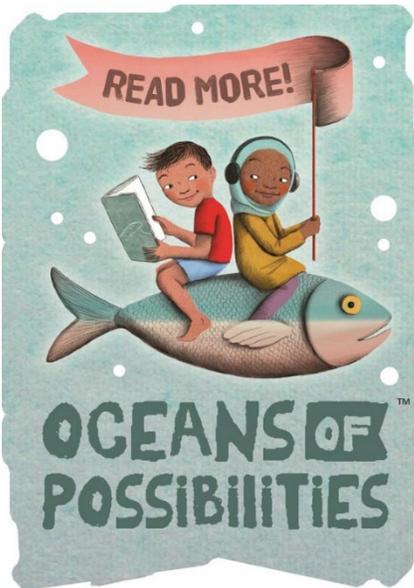
### **The Pantry Press Distribution Dates & Times**

June 21 (Tues) 9a-11a

June 28 (Tues) 9a-11a

June 30 (Thurs) 9a-11a

For needs beyond food or for emergency food needs, call the United Way help line at 211.



# 2022 Summer Library Program!

Oregon Library has a summer reading program for all ages, from birth to the oldest adult!

**Starting Monday, June 6th**, you can sign up via Beanstack, our online tracking app and website.

The program will run through Saturday, August 20.



The Clerk's office  
&  
Public Works Dept.  
will be CLOSED on  
Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>.



## Lawn Mowing Reminder

### Village Ordinance 24.57 - Regulations of lawns

(a)(1) Public nuisance declared. The village board finds that lawns which exceed six inches in length on lots or parcels of land within the village adversely affect the public health and safety of the public in that such lawns tend to emit pollen and other discomforting plant particles, constitute a potential fire hazard and constitute a safety hazard in that debris can be hidden in the grass, interferes with public convenience and adversely affects property values of other land within the village. Therefore, except with prior application and issuance of a natural lawn permit from the village, lawns shall be maintained to a height not to exceed six inches in length. Any lawn on a parcel of land which exceeds six inches in length in the absence of a natural lawn permit is hereby declared to be a public nuisance.  
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BE SURE TO JOIN US  
FOR FOOD TRUCK TUESDAY:

3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH  
MAY - SEPTEMBER

5:00PM-8:00PM

BROOKLYN  
LEGION PARK

LIVE MUSIC



Brooklyn Recreation Committee  
is part of The Village of Brooklyn  
PO Box 189, 210 Commercial Street,  
Brooklyn, WI 53521

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Oregon Area Food Pantry Presents

# Summer Lunch Program

Grab and Go lunches for all residents of the Oregon School District under 18 or currently attending OSD, regardless of need.

\*\*\*GF and nut free options available

**June 13 - August 17**

**Mondays and Wednesdays**

**12 pm - 1pm**

**Three OSD locations**

**\*\*\*\*No lunch July 4\*\*\*\***

Brooklyn Community  
Building

Greenfield Park  
Shelter, Fitchburg

Goodland Park Shelter





UW-MADISON EXTENSION

# APPLY TO THE YOUTH GOVERNANCE PROGRAM



## Why YGP?

Learn about how local government functions by serving as members of Dane County Board of Supervisor committees

&

Bring youth voice to local government decisions!

## How to Apply?



We are now accepting applications for 2022-2023! Deadline to apply is June 30th. Contact [balza.gabriella@countyofdane.com](mailto:balza.gabriella@countyofdane.com)



# Dane County Youth Governance Program

## September 2022 – May 2023

### Purpose and Goal

The Dane County Youth Governance Program (YGP) offers greater opportunities for youth leadership development and youth empowerment in Dane County through direct participation in county government decision-making; provides real-life learning opportunities for youth in the functioning of local government; and brings a direct youth voice to community issues and concerns while fostering the development of confident, capable and independent leaders for the next generation. Each year, up to 12-18 youth are selected for YGP.

### Program Structure

Each youth representative is appointed to a Dane County Board committee for a one year term from **September through May**, and is matched with a supervisor-mentor on their committee. YGP mentors closely assist youth in learning about and contributing to the governance process. YGP youth have the same opportunities for committee participation and involvement as elected county supervisors, except that they have a non-binding advisory vote. Youth representatives may be appointed to the following committees\*†:

#### **Environment, Agriculture, & Natural Resources (EANR)**

2nd & 4th Thursdays, 5:00 or 5:30pm, at Fen Oak<sup>o</sup>

#### **Food Council**

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 6:00pm, at Fen Oak<sup>o</sup>

#### **Health & Human Needs (HHN)**

2nd & 4th Thursdays, 5:30pm, at CCB<sup>o</sup>

#### **Park Commission**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 5:30pm, at Fen Oak<sup>o</sup>

#### **Personnel & Finance (P&F)**

2nd & 4th Mondays, 5:30pm, at CCB<sup>o</sup>

#### **Public Protection & Judiciary (PP&J)**

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 5:15pm, at CCB<sup>o</sup>

#### **Public Works & Transportation (PWT)**

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 5:30pm, at AEC<sup>o</sup>

#### **UW-Extension Committee**

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays, 8:15am, at Fen Oak<sup>o</sup>

#### **Zoning & Land Regulation (ZLR)**

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30pm, at CCB<sup>o</sup>

#### **Dane County Library Board**

1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays, Noon via Zoom

*\*Meeting dates may change. †Mileage reimbursement is available.*

In addition to committee meetings, youth representatives will attend bimonthly YGP education meetings, which provide a space to connect with other youth representatives; deepen learning; and grow youth leadership, civic engagement, and other important professional skills.

### Program Expectations

- Strive to attend all regularly-scheduled committee meetings (~11-15 per term). Must attend at least 75% of regularly-scheduled committee meetings (at least 3 out of every 4 meetings).
- If a meeting will be missed, notify mentor, committee chair, & YGP facilitator. No more than 3 absences without notice.
- Stay up to date on committee business and read necessary material in advance in order to stay engaged in committee meetings
- Strive to attend at least 4 YGP education meetings
- Total time commitment is about **6-8 hours per month**.

<sup>o</sup>*Committee meeting locations: CCB (City-County Building): 210 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Madison, 53703; Fen Oak (Lyman Anderson Center): 5201 Fen Oak Dr, Madison, 53718; AEC (Alliant Energy Center): 1919 Alliant Energy Center Way, Madison, 53713*

- At the end of the one-year term, each youth representative will give a brief presentation to county board supervisors about their YGP experience. Youth may also apply to serve in a 2<sup>nd</sup> term.

### Selection Process

The YGP application includes short-answer questions about applicants' objectives for participating in YGP, and a written recommendation from an adult involved with the youth (teacher, guidance counselor, parent/caregiver/guardian, etc). Applications and reference forms are due **in the summer of 2022.**

### YGP Applicant requirements:

- Dane County residents currently in grades 9-11 (*who will be in grades 10-12 in fall of 2021*)
- **Ability to commit 6-8 hours per month for YGP responsibilities, including attending 2-3 weeknight meetings each month. Regular attendance is essential.**
  - **Most meetings start between 5:15 and 6:00pm, and last approximately 1½ hrs.**
  - **Due to the time frame, involvement in sports or multiple extracurricular *may* conflict with ability to commit to YGP** – if concerned, but interested in YGP, please contact Gabby (below) to discuss.
- Strong interest in community engagement
- High level of maturity
- Good communication & self-expression skills (or willing to develop)
- Responsible, dependable, & self-motivated
- Positive attitude
- Interest in developing skills in leadership, professionalism, and working with adults
- Transportation to/from committee meetings in Madison (bus passes are available)

YGP seeks to recruit a cohort that reflects Dane County's diversity in every form including geography, race, ethnicity, gender identity, ability status, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, religion, and all other identities. All Dane County youth are encouraged to apply.

\*YGP applicants are **strongly encouraged** to attend a committee meeting before they decide whether to apply to YGP. **Please go to [bit.ly/YGPCmte](https://bit.ly/YGPCmte) for more details about attending committee meetings** (or contact Gabby, below). All posted committee meetings are open to the public to attend and observe. Another **strongly encouraged** option is to watch a county board meeting online; all are available to watch at [bit.ly/CBmtgs](https://bit.ly/CBmtgs).

After Extension Dane County staff conduct an initial applicant screening, Dane County UW Extension Committee supervisors collaborate to conduct brief interviews with screened applicants, and vote to approve up to 12-18 YGP applicant finalists. Youth members are notified of their acceptance, and undergo program orientation, with committee appointments.

Visit <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/youthgovernanceprogram/> for more YGP details, including the YGP Handbook and FAQs at <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/youthgovernanceprogram/about-ygp/>.

Thank you for your interest in the Dane County Youth Governance Program!

For more information, please contact: Gabby Balza, Associate Youth Development Educator, Extension Dane County, (608) 224-3709, [Balza.Gabriella@countyofdane.com](mailto:Balza.Gabriella@countyofdane.com)

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Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. To make a request, please call 608-224-3712 as early as possible prior to the program or activity so that proper arrangements can be made. Requests are kept confidential.

# July

**2022**

| Sunday | Monday                                                                                | Tuesday                                           | Wednesday                                                                      | Thursday                            | Friday | Saturday                          |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
|        |                                                                                       | *\$5/Tires – pick up sticker(s) at clerk’s office | Summer Rec<br>Mon-Thurs. 1-4p                                                  |                                     | 1      | 2<br>Fireworks Dusk – Legion Park |
| 3      | 4<br>Clerk’s Office & Public Works Dept Closed<br><b>Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July</b> | 5<br>*Tires, Oil & Battery Pick up                | 6                                                                              | 7<br><b>Garbage &amp; Recycling</b> | 8      | 9                                 |
| 10     | 11<br><b>Village Board Mtg 630p</b>                                                   | 12<br>Brush Pick up                               | 13<br><b>Garbage</b>                                                           | 14<br>Recreation Mtg 530p           | 15     | 16                                |
| 17     | 18<br><b>Public Works Mtg</b>                                                         | 19                                                | 20<br><b>Garbage &amp; Recycling Planning &amp; Zoning Commission Mtg 630p</b> | 21                                  | 22     | 23                                |
| 24     | 25<br><b>Finance/PW Mtg 530p<br/>Village Board Mtg 630p</b>                           | 26                                                | 27<br><b>Garbage</b>                                                           | 28                                  | 29     | 30                                |
| 31     |                                                                                       |                                                   |                                                                                |                                     |        |                                   |