

210 Commercial Street - PO Box 189 – Brooklyn, WI 53521

July 2026 Village News

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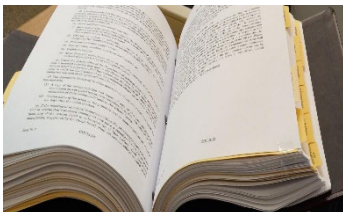
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2026 BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

Village Hall – 210 Commercial St.

Wednesday, August 26, 2026

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

If you plan to object to your property assessment, please obtain the **Objection Forms** from the Clerk's Office.

Completed objection forms **must be submitted to the Clerk's Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 24, 2026**, at least **48 hours** before the **Board of Review meeting**.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Year	Land	Imp/Bldgs	Total	PFC/MFL/PP4B
Year to year assessment value	Value of your land.	Value of the Building/s on your land.	The total assessed value of your property.	Not used often. For managed forest land and buildings on leased land only.
Year	Land	Imp/Bldgs	Total	
Previous Year	\$53,200	\$114,600	\$167,800	
Current Year	\$75,000	\$163,200	\$238,200	
Total assessment change			\$70,400	

Reason for change(s)

Note:

Land Change - 05 - Increase due to Revaluation

Improvement Change - 05 - Increase due to Revaluation

Preliminary General Level of Assessment: 100.00%

Reason for change(s)

There are many reasons your property's value may have changed, below are main reasons:

A) Increase/Decrease due to Revaluation:

Your value increased/decreased because of market conditions.

B) New Construction/Land use/Permit

If you recently added value to your property, as of January 1. If your land use or size changes.

C) Property Destroyed/Removed

Any removal of value such as a deck or destruction of property.

General Level of Assessment

100% means the assessed value of your property is equal to current market value, according to the WI Dept of Revenue.

Level of assessment can be higher or lower than 100%. If it has been a while since the last revaluation the level of assessment could be much higher or lower.





Brush Pickup 2nd Tuesday of each month

Please place the brush on the terrace, parallel to the curb, and in separate piles. Be sure to stay away from any electrical/telephone equipment. All cut ends need to be placed in the same direction.



Pellitteri Waste Systems



Do not place old microwaves or dehumidifiers in your trash, recycling, or dumpster.

Here are a few disposal options:

- Pellitteri Waste Systems residential customers can schedule curbside pickup for a fee. Email info@pellitteri.com for pricing, eligibility, and collection details. You can also find pricing on your community page on our website under "Bulky Items."
- Appliances and other metal items may be accepted by local metal recyclers, including All Metals Recycling and Alter Metal Recycling in Madison. Fees may apply, so call ahead before visiting.

These tips are for Pellitteri Waste Systems customers.

Green County CLEAN SWEEP

Program to dispose of Agricultural and
Household Hazardous Chemicals

2026 One Day Program!

Wednesday, August 19, 2026
11AM-5PM

Collection Site:
Monticello Recycling Center
406 North Main St.
Monticello, WI 53570

Guidelines:

- **Agricultural Products**—Farmers can dispose of up to 100 pounds for free.
- **Household Products**— Homeowners can dispose of up to 100 pounds for free.
- A testing fee may be charged for unknown chemicals if amounts are greater than 5 gallons or 50 pounds.
- Participants will need to sign in when bringing in products. No pre-registering is needed.
- All items should be properly identified.
- Proof of Green County residency is required.
- We reserve the right to reject any item that does not meet the intent of the program. Materials will only be accepted by authorized personnel on Wednesday, August 19, 2026.

Free Will donations will be accepted to help support the program

Examples of Items Accepted

- Home Products
- Insecticides
- Old Fertilizer
- Weed & Feed Products
- Mercury
- Oil Based, Marine, Tractor, Auto or Lead Paint
- Antifreeze
- Herbicides
- Fungicides
- Wood Preservatives
- Low Pressure Pesticide Gas Cylinders
- Cadmium & Lithium Batteries
- Small LP Gas Tanks
- Fluorescent Tubes
- Prescription drop off

Examples of Items Not Accepted

- Explosives—Firearms or Ammunition
- Radioactive Material
- High Pressure Compressed Gas Cylinders
- Freon 11 and 12
- Biological, Infectious or Medical Waste
- Latex Paint
- Vaping Devices



For additional information, call the Green County Land and Water Conservation Department at (608) 325-4195
Or Email todd.jenson@wi.nacdn.net



COMMUNITY POTLUCK

Thursday, July 23, 2026

at Noon

Brooklyn Methodist Church

Everyone - all ages are welcome.

Bring a dish to pass.

Table service and beverages are provided.

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SUMMER READING FUN AT THE GAZEBO!

Join the Bookmobile every Thursday in *Brooklyn!*

BOOKMOBILE

 **Thursdays | 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM**

Bring the kids for an evening filled with:

- 
Summer Reading Program Sign-Up
- 
Weekly Arts & Crafts Projects
- 
Fun Reading Challenges & Prizes
- 
Great Books for All Ages

 Readers can participate in the **Summer Reading Program** and earn exciting prizes while building a love of reading all summer long!

 Whether you're a book lover, a budding artist, or just looking for a fun family activity, there's something for everyone at the **Bookmobile**.

Stop by the Gazebo every Thursday and make reading part of your summer adventure!



The Village of Brooklyn would like to thank Jim Brown for the sculpture he created and donated to the village. It is situated outside Village Hall. According to Jim, he has always been able to visualize something as being something else. The pelican idea began 35 years ago, and he welded them together 19 years later after he retired. In 2025 he needed to finish it, and Bradd's Welding on Wheels helped him with a dream come true for a metal tradesman.

In the photo are Jim Brown on the left and Bradd Draheim on the right.

Senior Center Information

Check out the Oregon Senior Center Newsletter for more upcoming events.

Oregon Senior Center Newsletter – at

<https://www.vil.oregon.wi.us/219/Senior-Center>

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Green County Residence – ADRC of Southwestern WI Resources and Events

Green County ADRC - The Bridge or at

<https://adrcgreencounty.org/>

ADRC Green County – Local Phone # 608-328-9499 or Toll Free 888-284-2132

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 am to 430 pm

# A Deeper Dive into Dementia

## *Understanding Different Types and Behavioral Symptoms*

*A four-part educational series for family members, relatives, friends, neighbors, and community members.*



### Dementia 101 and Risk Reduction

**Thursday, July 23rd**  
**4:00 PM - 5:30 PM**

During this presentation, participants will gain a clearer understanding of what is considered “normal” aging versus “not normal” changes in the brain. We will also review the 10 warning signs of dementia, explore different types of dementia, and discuss risk factors along with strategies for risk reduction and prevention.



### How to Speak Dementia: Understanding Communication Changes

**Thursday, August 6th**  
**1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

Gain a better understanding of: how communication changes through the stages of the disease; approaches to improve understanding of what is being said; why greater patience is needed; and the importance of non-verbal communication & attentive listening.



### Behavioral Symptoms of Dementia and Positive Interventions

**Thursday, August 13th**  
**1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

Learn about common symptom expressions of dementia like repetition, wandering, sundowning and more. Explore the factors impacting the behaviors as well as gain tips and strategies for family members/caregivers.



### Emergency Care Planning for Dementia

**Thursday, August 20th**  
**1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

Helping care partners to understand and learn what one can do to create a safer, calmer, and healthier caregiving experience. Each attendee will receive a copy of the Family Emergency Care Plan booklet and directions on how to complete it as part of one's preparedness plan.

**Location:** Memorial Public Library  
1207 25th Street, Brodhead, WI 53520

*Attendance to all sessions  
is not required.*



If you have any questions or would like to attend any or all of the sessions in this series, please contact Bonnie Beam-Stratz at:  
**608-426-4295** or **bbeam@gchsd.org**



**GREEN  
COUNTY**  
WISCONSIN

# Home Internet Reimbursement Program

for Seniors and  
Individuals with Disabilities

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

Assisting qualified Green County  
residents with in-home internet costs  
**\$150 reimbursement for 3 months of  
paid home internet bills**

For application or questions, email  
[gcdc@greencountydevelopment.com](mailto:gcdc@greencountydevelopment.com)  
or call 608-328-9452

### Reimbursement Process:

first-come, first-serve. Can re-apply every three months as long as funds are available

1. Submit application to GCDC office
2. Application qualifications verified and confirmation from GCDC
3. Provide the last 3 months of paid internet bills for your home.
4. Reimbursement check will be mailed to your home address.

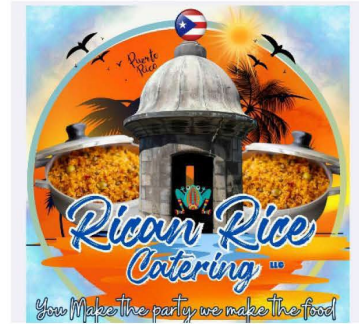


# BROOKLYN FOOD TRUCK NIGHT

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 5 – 8 pm

LEGION PARK (by shelter)

Optimist Club will be hosting BINGO



TRAVELIN'  
**TOM'S**  
COFFEE TRUCK



COOL SWEET TREATS

# BROOKLYN NIGHT OUT

TUESDAY,  
**AUGUST 18**

★ **STARTING AT 5 PM** ★

LEGION  
PARK

- DANE & GREEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
- BROOKLYN FIRE & EMS
- PUBLIC WORKS
- BINGO BY OPTIMIST CLUB
- AREA ORGANIZATIONS

*Food*  
**TRUCKS!**



**MEET ★ CONNECT ★ LEARN ★ HAVE FUN!**

➤ *Building a stronger Brooklyn together* <=



# 2026 Brooklyn Community's Annual Fall Vendor-Craft Fair

**September 5th**

**10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Brooklyn Elementary School Cafeteria & Gym  
204 Division Street; Brooklyn, WI 53521**

**Local Vendors-Crafters-Bakers**

**Food Truck & Baked Goods available**

**Everyone Welcome!**

**Contact Sonya @  
608-209-2275 for Details**

# DANCE

## SESSION SIGN UP

Fall dance session will be on Wednesday, starting September 30<sup>th</sup> and ending December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026—10 Classes, 1 Class as an informal performance (No class November 25<sup>th</sup>). Listed below are the classes that will be offered this Fall. Please select which class your child(ren) will participate in.

**Pre-Ballet**  
**(Wednesday)**  
5:00-5:30 (ages 3-5)  
30 Mins

**\$50**

**Ballet**  
**(Wednesday)**  
5:40-6:10 (age 6+)  
30 Mins

**\$50**

### Parent/ Guardian Information:

Parent / Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### First Child's Name

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Health Concerns we should know about:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Second Child's Name

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Health concerns we should know about:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to Brooklyn Recreations**

## WAIVER AND RELEASE STATEMENT

(All participants must read and sign) I have read the accompanying event information and understand the policies of the event. I know that I should not enter unless I am medically able. I assume all risks associated with my child(ren)'s participation in this event, including but not limited to, falls, contact with other participants, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Knowing these facts, I, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, or anyone else who might claim on my behalf, covenant not to use and WAIVE, RELEASE and DISCHARGE Brooklyn Recreation, Dance Instructor, Village of Brooklyn, worker or volunteers, their representatives, successors and assigns for ANY AND ALL claims of liability, whether foreseen or unforeseen, for death, personal injury or property damage arising out of, or in the course of my participation in this event. I further grant full permission to the above-mentioned sponsors, organizers, and or agents.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Brooklyn RecreationArea Only)  
Payment Method Date Paid  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## CLASS DESCRIPTIONS & NOTES

### **Pre-Ballet – 5:00-5:30 (Wednesday) (ages 3 - 5) 30 min**

• Children ages 3-4 will be introduced to basic ballet technique. Classes emphasize rhythm, classroom etiquette, listening, and freestyle dance with prompts. Making dance fun is essential to a happy community dance program!

### **Ballet - 5:40-6:10 (Wednesday) (ages 6+) 30 min**

• Children ages 6 and up will learn proper ballet technique and body placement. Classes emphasize rhythm, classroom etiquette, and positive body image. Ballet builds a proper base for all other dance forms by teaching students how to move individual body parts while maintaining a graceful posture.

**Informal Performance theme is “\_\_\_\_\_TBD\_\_\_\_\_”**

### **Parent Viewing Days (IN Class)**

- First Class
- No Class November 25th
- December 9th (informal performance)

### **Classes will be held in the Brooklyn Community Building basement**

- 102 N Rutland Ave, Brooklyn

### **Check & registration forms may be mailed or dropped off at the Village of Brooklyn**

- PO Box 189, 210 Commercial St, Brooklyn

Make checks payable to – **Brooklyn Recreation**

Classes may be delayed or canceled if there is not enough students to fill the classes. The next ballet session will be in Spring 2027



**Riley Cowan**

**2026/2027 Brooklyn Dairy Queen**

I am Riley Cowan the 2026/2027 Brooklyn Dairy Queen, and am the daughter of Patrick and Nicole Cowan. I lived in Brooklyn for my childhood and went to Brooklyn elementary before residing in Oregon where I will be starting my senior year at Oregon High School.

I am very involved in school specifically with clubs such as, FFA, OHS Wellness club, Spanish club, Senior PRIDE Crew, NHS, I am also president of K.E.Y.S. (Keeping everyone you know safe) club, and now Brooklyn Dairy Queen. Outside of school I play hockey for Badger City u19s and teach younger kids to skate at the Oregon Ice Area. I enjoy sewing, working out, riding horses, and challenging myself in school by taking honors and AP classes.

The Green County Dairy Queen Program is a leadership and ambassador program that promotes agriculture and the dairy industry in Green County, Wisconsin. Each queen represents her community at local events, educates the public about dairy farming, and develops skills in public speaking, leadership, and community service in order to become advocates for Wisconsin agriculture. I am super excited to be your 2026/2027 Brooklyn Dairy Queen so I can continue to be involved in the community and make it a better place for everyone. I plan to attend

as many events as I can because I believe that showing up and supporting the community ultimately will make a positive difference.

# Village Board Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2026

On June 8, 2026, President Mike Brusberg called the Village Board meeting of the Village of Brooklyn to order at 6:30 p.m. Trustees present were Frank Seitler, Christian Allen, Jacob Bachim, Todd Klahn, and David Berland. Trustee Mike Gehrmann was absent. Also present were Joseph Pechauer and Clerk-Treasurer Linda Kuhlman. No public comments

**President's report** – Brusberg stated we closed last week Monday on the business park lands. Hotel Street sidewalk, there's no update other than he tried to contact Jason Marshall but hasn't heard back.

**Bachim made a motion to approve minutes of May 11.** Seitler seconded. Motion carried. Berland and Klahn abstained. **Klahn made a motion to approve minutes of May 19.** Berland seconded. Motion carried.

Kuhlman stated alcohol license applications are here for review. Laura Bambrough needs to provide driver's license before she can be approved. **Klahn made a motion to approve consent agenda with the exception of operator license for Laura Bambrough.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried.

**Schmudlach extra-territorial zoning** -- Pechauer is the realtor. Kuhlman stated it's the same property as we approved at the last meeting. Pechauer said they were at the Town of Rutland meeting on May 22 and got conditional approval, as long as it's approved through Dane County. Bachim asked why so many agencies are involved in joining land. Pechauer said it's separating one parcel to two, but it's getting everybody's approval and that takes time. They're trying to separate the bracket and cutting 14 acres to two 7-acre parcels. Bachim and Berland see no issues. **Allen made a motion to approve.** Berland seconded. Motion carried. Pechauer thanked the board. Kuhlman will send to the county tomorrow.

**Anchor Club II Party in the Alley** – Berland asked if there were any issues from any Hotel Street people. Seitler said there were some that never made it past the police department. Kuhlman hasn't received complaints in the clerk's office. **Klahn made a motion to approve the application for special event permit and extending the liquor license to the back lot for one day.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried. Seitler opposed. **Klahn made a motion to approve the amplification permit for Anchor Club.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried.

**Broker for business park** – Brusberg talked a little bit about this being a relevant next step. We have two parcels remaining. One is about 2 acres and the other is directly south of O&A, who has the right of first refusal, and there's a right of second refusal. He thinks in lieu of us fielding calls, we can take advantage of the park being marketed and work with a broker as a liaison. We haven't had anyone contact recently. The board discussed all three proposals from Acres, McMahon, and Anderson. Berland would recommend Acres Realty, as it reads most fairly balanced for both sides. Kuhlman stated Acres is familiar with the property since they were the ones who helped originally. Brusberg would like to know how well connected they are with potential buyers. Bachim has an issue with line 141. He usually used line 139. Berland recommended that if the agent represents buyer and seller, the commission is a flat 3%, maybe 4%. Does he have a partner in the firm? Brusberg said Acres did a good job before. The board will postpone to next meeting after getting additional answers.

**Resolution 2026-04 Transportation** –Kuhlman explained the League asked municipalities to approve resolutions and send to legislators to ask them to increase transportation aids to municipalities. **Klahn made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-04 Transportation Resolution.** Seitler seconded. Motion carried.

**Brusberg made a motion to approve bills as presented.** Klahn seconded. Motion carried.

**Clerk's report** – Financials for month of May - \$371,651.89 in deposits, which included \$266,689.35 loan proceeds coming from the final Fischer pay application for the Business Park completion. We came in a little lower for costs for the project than anticipated. We had withdrawals of \$438,662.20, and ended May with a total of \$2,403,386.12 in all accounts. Kuhlman will be talking to Ehlers next week about the investment accounts. Public wifi project has had its issues but is now worked out and moving forward. We had a resident ask about ordinances for ebikes. We don't have one, but looking at state statutes, they are treated like bicycles and there are certain rules. They can't be driven on sidewalks, is one. Discussion about ebikes and the need for an ordinance. Board asked her to check other communities and take it to the ordinance committee. We received a letter from T-Mobile, which is also Sprint and now US Cellular. They will be removing the antennas on the Legion Park tower as of the end of June. We have the same companies on the water tower. She sent a notification that according to their contract, they pay for one month after termination and clear out their ground equipment. Allen asked if Verizon is working on the tower yet. Kuhlman hasn't heard but recently sent a notification that they need to finish the restoration work in the park. We had a hard time getting food trucks this year, and we had to cancel last month because we only had one. Next week we have three – Jolly Frog, Curd Girls and a wood-fired pizza truck. The trucks from last year, some were busy, Sista's opened a brick and mortar store, another retired. Starting in July the Optimist Club will be doing Bingo as well during food truck nights. Assessment letters will be going out in the next week or two. Open Book is July 13 and 14, and Board of Review is the end of August. Brusberg asked if anyone has called with concerns because we've been posting on social media, and Kuhlman stated no. We got an email that Northern Metal is starting the process for their new builder. Public Works Committee meeting next Monday at 6 p.m. The League of Wisconsin Municipalities hired a new director. Kuhlman received a call from Representative Pocan's office, and they would like to use our office for an open house day to meet with his staff. That's set for July 14. Official Payments, one of our credit card companies, will be charging a fee starting January 1 of about \$465 per month. We have cancelled that service and will put out notice to residents that we have discontinued that service. We are looking for a replacement for that. We still have AllPaid that can be used for credit cards. The companies we're looking at can integrate with our Workhorse program and residents can log in and see their account information. Joe Reilly passed another sewer test. We need to set up an ordinance and finance committee meetings.

**Finance Committee** – They talked about the Board of Commissioner of Public Lands loans for the Hotel Street project. There are funds left, so do we want to prepay and how much do we hold back for the sidewalk. Brusberg thinks we should prepay some. Bachim said \$20,000 would be the high end to hold. Discussion on how much to hold back. **Brusberg made a motion to prepay \$80,000 to Board of Commissioner of Public Lands.** Klahn seconded. Motion carried.

**Water system study** – Brusberg said their suggestion is to go forward and have a water system study. It's \$40,000 from the water fund balance. Discussion on study. Kuhlman explained that it is not a rate study, but it will review the complete water system, its condition, what might be needed for future growth, and can be used for our impact fee ordinance. **Klahn made a motion to do the water study for up to \$40,000.** Allen seconded. Motion carried.

Brusberg brought up other items that need to be discussed by finance, capital items that need priority ranking. We have dated water-sewer piping, sidewalks, three physical assets, and that all requires capital. Finance will try to priority rank all the items. Other items listed on the agenda will be discussed by the finance committee also. He would like the board members to think about the top three items that the board should consider. His are water-sewer pipes, physical assets, and sidewalks. Allen asked if there is a survey that the committee could put out on what residents would like to see. Brusberg thinks it's worth considering. Seidler asked about a snail mail priority list to village residents with top 10 the board is thinking about.

**Fire/EMS District Commission** – Allen sat in at the last meeting. The RFP with Oregon-Fitchburg, not much was talked about. The front entry posts, it was decided to go with masonry, wrap them and it will support the roof.

That’s not an issue. They will do it so it doesn’t sit on the sidewalk and is sitting on the ground. Talked about the tender for a long time, what they want to get, how much. A grant has been applied for, but they’ve not heard back. How much do we pay out of pocket. Our percentage for the Village is about 32%. The old one would sell for \$10,000-20,000. The grant could be the whole thing, but what are the rules. They talked about single-axle trailer, and they want to sell it for a dual axle for \$4,000-5,000 to support that. Just a discussion, no motion. They talked about the SAP provider. Kuhlman stated she will be talking to the UBS representative tomorrow. They are meeting next week. Brusberg said he has a conflict and asked if anyone can go in his place. Seitler volunteered. Brusberg stated if there are any handouts, bring back and give to clerk to give to the board. Brusberg thanked the board members for their assistance with meetings.

**Klahn made a motion at 7:47 p.m. to adjourn.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried.

Linda Kuhlman, WCMC, CMTW  
Clerk-Treasurer

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Village Board Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2026

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Public Comments - Gehrmann was at public works and got a tour of the treatment plant, and as a facility manager of a pharmaceutical company he was beyond impressed with how its run. We have four public works people in this town and the quality of what they’re doing is amazing. Shout out to public works building and the way its run is exceptional. Allen agrees, a lot of great equipment and using of software.

President’s report – Brusberg stated he spoke with Brad from O&A to walk through right of second refusal on the parcel. It was a really good discussion. Brusberg is going to do a tour of their building. He also spoke with Jason Marshall last week, but he had not talked with Ronek. He asked him to do that in the next two weeks, and Brusberg, Allen and Spilde will talk to him after that. Brusberg will reach out next week.

Allen made a motion to approve minutes from June 8. Klahn seconded. Motion carried. Gehrmann abstained.

Broker – Acres Ltd – Kevin Visel said his plan is to put a sign out on the property and develop a flyer to be shared with anyone who has interest. If we have anything to put in flyer, let him know; otherwise, he’ll put it together. If sold under right of first or second refusal, he would still get commission. Seitler suggested changing language about parcels being under rights of refusal. Klahn agreed. Kuhlman asked about confirming the price per acre. Allen said the other parcels are listed at \$163,350, \$3.75 for 1-5 acres and 6-10 is \$3.50. Let’s make it \$164,000. Brusberg asked what he’s seeing for pricing in other areas. Visel said around Madison it’s \$7 and higher, sometimes above \$10 a square foot. Around here it’s a little more complicated. Stoughton had some land a little higher than \$4/square foot. He thinks around \$4 is good in this area. The contract is good for a year. **Brusberg made a motion to move forward with hiring Kevin Visel for sale of remainder of business park parcels with amendments as discussed.** Klahn seconded. Motion carried.

Capital projects – Brusberg asked for top 3-5 items from board members. Gehrmann asked about backup power for the village hall building, do we need it? Klahn said we have a generator, but it can't hook up to this building. It can hook up to community building, sewer plant and pumps. Seitler asked if we should look at that, but he doesn't think this building should be without power. Klahn is an equipment guy and would like to trade the loader and keep it upgraded. It's heavily used for snowplowing, and we can take advantage of municipal discounts. All board members agreed. Allen said one of the ones most needed is the water lines, can they start doing an allocation for that and put money in annually. The statistics were not good. 49% of the pipes are over 70 years old. Klahn said we haven't done it before because sewer rates are high. Discussion on other sewer/street work. Klahn said sidewalks would fit in there as well. Berland said there's a lot we have to do. Brusberg said we don't have a lot of funds, either. Klahn would like to redo the kitchen in the community center, but we don't get enough on our return, unless we get a donation. Brusberg said we need to start with how to increase revenue to make it more sustainable. Seitler said he is working on that. Brusberg said if we get donations and increase the top line, what does it allow us to do to make it more sustaining. Allen, there's a fourth one where it's not necessarily the case that the building should be self-sufficient, but also calling it a community building makes it a community thing, and it doesn't need to be a money-marker but make it an asset for people to utilize. Gehrmann would like to fix things so it can be used for more local community use, if people would use it with a new kitchen and village members use it for different things. Kuhlman mentioned we'll be on a call Monday morning about Highway 104 future work. Brusberg also for the community building, people trade appliances out frequently from homes, so there's a possible optionality there, depending on how we advertise the rebranding of the community building, but that's a later date thing to think about. Berland said we're carrying a large liability on the community building, but the reality is it's always going to produce a loss, and is the community building worth having at the cost we pay for it. He's not suggesting we do anything right now, but should we invest so much in it. Finance committee meeting will be soon to discuss these issues.

Historical Society – Kuhlman said the Historical Society would like to paint the front door, the interior and put in new carpet. Berland suggested they share paint type and color and will they do the upkeep if it's needed and maintain it. Klahn is fine with them painting if we're going to let them upgrade it. Brusberg suggested we watch 12-month electric and water use that we might encounter. **Klahn made a motion to allow the historical society to do the upgrades they asked for.** Gehrmann seconded. Motion carried.

Strand Task Order for the wastewater treatment plant upgrade design costs of \$370,000 – **Brusberg made a motion to approve the task order #2601.** Gehrmann seconded. Kuhlman said the funds will be included in the ultimate loan for the project. Motion carried.

Gehrmann and Brusberg reviewed and didn't see issues with the bills. **Gehrmann made a motion to approve the bills as presented.** Klahn seconded. Motion carried.

Public Works/Utilities/EM - Allen reported they put a bid out to many contractors for the fence by Legion Park, and they received two bids. **Allen said public works committee recommends the lower one, which is under \$7,000, for the fence, with the owner adjacent to put in a gate at his expense.** Klahn seconded the motion. Allen said they're not replacing, just extending. Klahn said it's an old farm fence on the majority of the area, and the brush had overwhelmed it. It's been cleaned out and the ball diamond is in front of his place. **Motion carried.** Allen said the dry hydrant on Lincoln Street was pulled out. Klahn said it used to keep full when we had all the flooding and huge issues, but they've been keeping it lower by pumping. Our needs have changed since it was put in. Klahn talked about the loader. It's more difficult to change brands of loader. It would be nice to get more bids, but with the number of attachments we have for the loader, there are just enough differences in hookups that makes it difficult to get the other ones. We have a Case loader, and there's nothing wrong with the Case, but it would be nice to get more bids, but it's hard with the attachments. Allen had a report on Dumpster Days which was slightly higher this year. Klahn said they removed a building out front of public works, and so it was a little higher. If we take that out, it would be about the same as other years. Klahn heard good things, so

he thanked Berland for doing it. Klahn said the last six months to a year, we've been testing the temperature of the affluent coming into the river, and it's been too high, but there's a new directive that we can test the incoming temp and the past temp of the creek and if it's not changing from input to output, that we're going to fall within and won't have to worry about cooling down the affluent. That's what the new work study is. Berland said we figured that was going to be the case. Gehrman added even if it doesn't pass, no one knows what the fix will be. Klahn said Spilde does a good job, and so DNR throws all this stuff at us. Kuhlman stated we have replaced 490 out of 613 meters in the village, so about 80% of meters can be read in the clerk's office by the tower. Brusberg thanked Hollis and public works for getting basketball hoops replaced in the community building and Smithfield Park. Allen thanked Brusberg for donating the money.

Clerk's report – Food truck night in June was a cold and windy night. We had three trucks lined up, but Jolly Frog cancelled due to a gas connection problem, and the other truck had a problem with their door falling off. We had the pizza truck that sold 65 pizzas by 7 p.m., and the ice cream truck, and we had over 100 people there. Next month we have Jolly Frog, Curd Girls, and a beverage truck. We received a letter from IRS that most of our employment taxes were late by a week, but in reviewing, the IRS had our payroll date off by a week. We've called them, and the rep found the error but she couldn't change it on her system. We sent a letter confirming what she found. V. Olson is looking at the new ADA compliance rules for website and Facebook. Berland can help. The Red Cross asked if they can use the building for a blood drive on July 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kuhlman attended a Green County Development Corporation meeting, and we will be meeting with Olivia Otte in the next few weeks. GCDC will be raising rates next year. Otte is going to meet with O&A to get hiring stats. They do a lot of work for Green County. Assessment letters should be sent out by the end of the week to everyone, due to the reassessment. We've been trying to get information out to everyone. Green County will be affected over the next three years because of the new jail. Representative Pocan's office is coming here on July 14. July 13 meeting of the board will be at 7 p.m. due to the PZ meeting. Northern Metal is coming in with building plans, and a builder on Second Street wants to talk about building. Week of July 6 has an ordinance meeting and finance meeting and recreation meeting.

Fire/EMS District – Brusberg said they met last Wednesday. The McMann study, they are willing to come and do interviews of all elected officials. It's optional to go to the next meeting on July 15. UTV Trailer, the association is willing to replace the existing trailer. They're mostly worried about tires aging and weight capacity. The association will pay for it, and the funds from the sale of existing trailer will go back to the association. The board was supportive of that. Employee manual, they made a few adjustments and passed it. They used the Village template for that. Tender, there's really no major update. We applied for a grant from Senator Baldwin's office, but it didn't gain support. They are still waiting to hear back. Barber was asked to get further clarity from Oregon on where to get used apparatus. They will probably talk about it at the joint meeting in the fall. There's concern on what if we have a problem with the tender. They decided as a board to move to UBS from Lincoln Financial. We are only one of three in the state still using Lincoln, and there were service concerns. There's a lot of other districts that use UBS, and they're local with a Madison office, rather than work with someone out of Nebraska. We have a good medical director, and he put in for a pediatric training grant with the STARS team for our members. It's a good training for our group. He cares deeply about the department.

Allen made a motion at 7:32 p.m. to adjourn. Klahn seconded. Motion carried.

Linda Kuhlman, WCMC, CMTW
Clerk-Treasurer

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Exercise Classes are held at the Brooklyn Community Building	**\$ 10/Tire Contact Clerk's Office 608-455-4201	1st Wed. of every Month, Dane County Emergency Management Outdoor Siren Test				1
2	3	4 Tires**, Oil & Battery Pick-up Election equipment public test	5 Garbage	6 Bookmobile Gazebo 6-730 p	7	8
9	10 Village Board Meeting 630 p	11 Brush Pick up PRIMARY ELECTION DAY	12 Garbage & Recycling	13 Bookmobile Gazebo 6-730 p	14	15
16	17	18 Brooklyn Night Out Food Truck Night - Legion Park 5-8 p.m. Clerk's Office Closed	19 Garbage Clerk's Office Closed	20 Bookmobile Gazebo 6-730 p Clerk's Office Closed	21 Clerk's Office Closed	22
23	24 Village Board Meeting 630 p	25	26 Garbage & Recycling 2026 Board of Review 6-8p	27 Bookmobile Gazebo 6-7:30p Community Potluck Noon @Methodist Church	28	29
30	31					