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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES - Monday, August 24, 2026 - 6:00 PM
Meeting Held at: North Freedom Community Center - 105 N Maple St, North Freedom, WI 53951

Members Present: President Rick Hehenberger, Vice President Dawn Carignan, Hayden Breunig, Nicki Breunig, Mike Carignan, Mary Luckhardt-Klemm, and Rose Vertein all present in person.

Guests Present: Lincoln & Everlee Breunig present in person.

President Hehenberger called meeting to order 6:03 PM.

1. Approval of Any Outstanding Meeting Minutes: Members reviewed and approved Minutes.
2. Possible Donation to Village of North Freedom: Group would like to give donation to Village but group is still "growing". Discussion on what to give. Motion N.Breunig/Luckhardt-Klemm to give Village a $500.00 donation for only the park wheel restoration project. Motion carried 7-0. After the motion, light discussion on other projects Group could help contribute to - 220 outlets on black light poles.
3. Remaining 2026 Event Finalizations
    a. Veteran's Day Celebration/250th Celebration: Sunday, November 8, 2026 - 1:00 PM. Luckhardt-Klemm working on getting honor guard lined up. Carol Baumgarten getting the "Freedom Singers" group together. Is there someone to do a reading? Speech - maybe Village President? Fairest of the Fair? Involve Elementary School for a writing contest - "My Hero"? Auxiliary - maybe Baraboo groups? D.Carignan to reach out NF Principal. N.Breunig will reach out to 4-H group and High School Choir. Luckhardt-Klemm scheduling a Vodak/Veteran's Park clean-up day. Will let Village Office know and get it on the LED sign and posted. Maybe if nice, can do outside? Flags? Doing a food sign-up. Coming soon.
    b. Winter Celebration: Saturday, November 28, 2026 - 6:00 PM. Discussed parade options. Would start at Village Park and end at 4-way intersection. Come back into Community Center and do hot drinks and treats. Maybe look into a Santa. Candy Canes. Apples. Peanuts. Decorate a tree. Discussing in more detail.

4. Freedom Days 2027 Planning: D.Carignan reached out to many carnival outfits in WI. Still waiting on a reply from any of them. Darrell Weiland did say that there would be a convention in January where they all meet. Maybe go there to find some interested people. Talked about ball tournaments. N.Breunig will reach out to BABA to see if they are still interested in using the field. Should know by October. Maybe other adult leagues would be interested - cited the Rock Springs groups. N.Breunig thinks that there should be a sponsor revision. Maybe change how many go on the poster? Change layout of poster? Will be discussed more. Advertising is a big thing. Possibilities of radio ads?
5. Other Items: Distributed annual raffle tickets to D.Carignan, M.Carignan, Hehenberger, Luckhardt-Klemm. Extras are in Village Office.
   Next Meeting Date(s): Monday, September 21, 2026 - 6:00 PM
6. Adjourn - Meeting adjourned by President Hehenberger 8/24/26 - approx. 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicki Breunig, Board Assistant