

VILLAGE OF BONDUEL
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence, President Russ Gehm, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Gehm read the statement regarding the posting of the meeting.

PRESENT: Russ Gehm, Matt Pleshek, Brenda Staszak, Michelle Streetman, and Kay Zuleger.
Excused: Sean Falk and Andrew Court.

AGENDA: Motion by Staszak, second by Zuleger, to approve the agenda as presented and to deviate from the order as necessary. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES: Motion by Pleshek, second by Zuleger, to approve the minutes from the May 14, 2025, Village Board Meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CITIZENS AND OPEN FORUM. Jesse Rankin, Director of Municipal Operations; Keith Fischer, Police Chief; and Allison Schultz, Shawano County Library-Bonduel Branch.

COMMUNICATIONS: Allison Schultz thanked the Village Board and staff for the continued support and the building maintenance. Schultz provided a statistical report on the usage of the Bonduel Branch.

REPORTS:

Committee of the Whole. Minutes on file. There are a few items that have been moved to the Board for approval.

Police Department Report. Report on file.

Fire Department Report. Report on file.

EMS Report. Report on file.

Clerk/Treasurer Report. Report on file. The revaluation letter and explanation brochure are finished and will be sent out next week. The assessor will be starting the inspection for the 2026 revaluation next month. The Clerk's computer died this last week, a new computer was installed.

Municipal Operations Department Report. Report on file. The DMO will be presenting as part of the WDEC webinar on the Village’s successful use of the grant award. Rankin has also been asked to be part of a panel to speak at a WEDA event. The repairs to the fence at Cedar Park have been delayed, due to pricing and lead-time for supplies. The installation should take place in July.

Plan Commission. Minutes on file. There is one item that has been moved to the Board for approval.

Fire Commission. Minutes on file.

Board of Review. Minutes on file. The BOR was held on May 28, no property owners were present for the meeting to dispute assessments.

NEW BUSINESS:

K1. Discussion and possible action on Ordinance 2025-01 amending Sec. 28-15- ATV/UTV routes. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation is reviewing the ordinance with the amendments authorizing ATV/UTV usage on State Highway 117 within the Village limits. The designated route would be from South Street to North Street where the speed limit is 35 mph or less. Motion by Zuleger, second by Staszak, to introduce Ordinance 2025-01 amending Sec. 28-15 ATV/UTV routes as presented and to make any necessary changes from the WI DOT’s review. Roll call vote was taken. Pleshek-Aye, Staszak-Aye, Streetman-Aye, Zuleger-Aye, and Gehm-Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

K2. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2025-12 approving the 2024 CMAR- Compliance Maintenance Annual Report. The Committee of the Whole reviewed and recommended the approval of the 2024 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report. The Village has once again met all the requirements of the report for its wastewater collection system. Motion by Pleshek, second by Staszak, to introduce Resolution 2025-12, approving the Wisconsin DNR CMAR, Compliance Maintenance Annual Report for 2024. Roll call vote was taken. Pleshek-Aye, Staszak-Aye, Streetman-Aye, Zuleger-Aye, and Gehm-Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

K3. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2025-13 approving the bank account for the RDA Downtown Business Grant program. The Small Business Grant the RDA will be receiving for the downtown improvements, requires that the Village set up a separate bank account for transactions. Maroszek stated that either a checking or money market account could be set up and discussed the differences. Motion by Streetman, second by Staszak, to introduce Resolution 2025-13 approving a checking account be set up for the RDA’s WEDC Small Business

Development Grant and all related transactions. Roll call vote was taken. Pleshek-Aye, Staszak-Aye, Streetman-Aye, Zuleger-Aye, and Gehm-Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

K4. Discussion and possible action on signage application for 201 W Green Bay Street, Manik Motorz Service & Repair. The Plan Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the signage application for Manik Motors with verification on final dimension sizes. Rankin has not received the sign dimensions as of this meeting. Streetman raised concerns about the design and message of the sign, expressing that she finds it very disrespectful and believes it mocks mental health. The company's name includes the word 'manic,' which is associated with a psychological condition characterized by intense moods, hyperactivity, and delusions, commonly linked to mental health. Streetman sees the creepy grin on the sign as if it's mocking mental health problems. Motion by Pleshek, second by Staszak, to table the agenda item to the next meeting when the final sign dimensions are received. Motion carried unanimously.

K5. Discussion and possible action on approving the 2025-2026 Liquor License application renewals. The Committee of the Whole reviewed all the 2025-2026 liquor license applications. There were no issues with any of the license applications. Maroszek informed the Board that Amico's Pizza has sold, and the new owners will be applying for a Class B Beer license to be approved prior to opening. Motion by Staszak, second by Zuleger, to approve all the 2025-2026 liquor license as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

K6. Discussion and possible action on approving the 2025-2026 Operator's License. There were two operator's license denials. Both parties were sent a letter to appeal the decision, but neither responded nor attended this meeting. By consensus the Board agreed to dismiss the agenda item.

K7. Discussion and possible action to approve the liquor license for Celebrate Bonduel 4th of July Event. Celebrate Bonduel has applied for a Class B fermented beverage picnic license for the Bonduel 4th of July Event. The application and background checks have been completed. Motion by Pleshek, second by Zuleger, to approve the temporary picnic license for Celebrate Bonduel's 4th of July event. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

L1. Discussion and possible action on appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees. No candidates were brought forward for appointments. By consensus the Board agreed to move the agenda item to the next meeting.

M. Approval of Payments. Motion by Zuleger, second by Staszak to approve the monthly payments for June 2025 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

N. Treasurer’s Report. Maroszek noted that the audit journal entries were complete and that the 2024 tax distributions have been removed from the Treasurer’s report. Motion by Streetman, second by Zuleger, to approve the May 2025 Treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS. Upcoming monthly meetings were discussed.

L2. Closed Session. Motion by Staszak, second by Pleshek, to move to closed session for approximately five minutes to discuss the hiring of the School Resource Officer position. Inviting Clerk Maroszek, Chief Fischer, and Jesse Rankin to attend. [Pursuant to Wis. State Statutes, Chapter 19, General Duties of Public Officials, subchapter V, 19.85 exemptions (1)(c): Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.] Roll call vote was taken. Pleshek-Aye, Staszak-Aye, Streetman-Aye, Zuleger-Aye, and Gehm-Aye. Motion carried unanimously. Moved to closed session at 6:25 p.m.

Motion by Zuleger, second by Pleshek, to return to open session. Roll call vote was taken. Pleshek-Aye, Staszak-Aye, Streetman-Aye, Zuleger-Aye, and Gehm-Aye. Motion carried unanimously. Returned to open session at 6:37 p.m.

Motion by Staszak, second by Zuleger to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Maroszek, Clerk/Treasurer