

VILLAGE OF BONDUEL
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Russ Gehm called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Gehm read the statement regarding the posting of the meeting.

PRESENT: Sean Falk, Russ Gehm, Brad Luepke, Lissy Kastning, Jesse Rankin, and Caitlin Richter
Absent: Lisa Hughes

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

MINUTES: Motion by Richter, second by Falk, to approve the minutes from the July 8, 2025, RDA Meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CITIZENS AND OPEN FORUM: Kristen Fish-Peterson and James Cleaveland via Microsoft Teams,

NEW BUSINESS

G1. Discussion and possible action on a project committee for wayfinding signs

At the end of July, Rankin attended a WEDC Connect Communities training in Madison, where one of the topics discussed was the concept of a project committee. He explained that such a committee does not require formal board action or a monthly commitment, and it dissolves once its specific project is completed. Rankin suggested forming a project committee to develop wayfinding signage for the Village of Bonduel. This initiative would provide an opportunity to replace outdated, mismatched signs and align with the branding revamp currently underway by Village staff. Luepke expressed possible interest but asked for time to gather additional participants. By consensus, the board agreed to revisit the matter at its next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

H1. Discussion on potential RDA Members

The RDA discussed the open board position, noting that a business owner would be an ideal candidate. The board will continue seeking potential members and, by consensus, moved this item to the next meeting.

H2. Discussion and possible action on park greenspace naming.

Rankin reported that the Bonduel letters have been installed and lit in the Village Hall Green Space. Torborg's quote for the corner pavilion exceeded the budget; friends of Ben Pleshko are preparing a plan and quote for a corner shelter. The RDA discussed naming the greenspace and

will hold a Facebook contest to allow residents to submit suggestions. By consensus, the item was tabled to the next meeting.

H3. Discussion and possible action on next steps for downtown district and properties.

Fish-Peterson reported no recent contact with business owners but will continue outreach efforts. Rankin suggested hosting a joint RDA/Plan Commission meeting offsite, possibly at Harlow's Supper Club, to engage business and property owners on the redevelopment plan. Rankin will work on the specific details this week. By consensus, the RDA tabled the item to the next meeting.

Committee Member Comments and Agenda Items to be considered for future meeting:

Motion by Luepke, second by Richter to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Falk, Deputy Clerk