

Village Board Meeting Minutes

Union Grove Municipal Center 925 15th Avenue Wednesday, May 28, 2025

1. Call to Order

Doug Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present and constituting a quorum: Doug Nelson, President, Robert Funk, Dan Maurice, Steve Nelson, and Cory Bartlett. Also present: Michael McKinney, Administrator, Janine Carls, Clerk, Nick Carriker, Public Works Manager, Aaron Alby, and Sherry Gruhn.

- **3. Consent Agenda** Any item listed on the consent agenda for approval may be removed at the request of any member of the Board. The request does not require a second, is not discussed, and is not voted upon.
 - a. May 12, 2025, joint Village Board/Plan Commission meeting minutes
 - b. Village invoices
 - c. Special Event Permit application submitted by William Guerin on behalf of GTG Entertainment d/b/a Cirque LuzDalia for Cirque LuzDalia Family Circus, to be held at the Racine County Fairgrounds, 19805 Durand Avenue (STH 11), on Tuesday, June 3, 2025

Motion (S. Nelson, Bartlett) to approve the Consent Agenda, Motion Carried (MC).

- 4. Business Discussion and possible action on the following:
 - a. Proposed widening of 58th Road at approach to South Colony Avenue (USH 45) *No discussion or action.*
 - b. Fireworks ordinances

Discussed potential changes to Yorkville's Fireworks ordinance and whether to have the Long-Range Planning Committee review the ordinance.

Motion (Funk, Bartlett) to send the Fireworks ordinance back to the Long-Range Planning Committee, MC.

c. Fire station construction debt service/borrowing amount

McKinney presented four borrowing scenarios and respective impacts to taxpayers. The scenarios show existing debt (Wastewater Treatment Plant) and future debt (construction of the Fire Station, purchase of land for Fire Station, and potential borrowing for drilling Well #2). Each scenario also broke down impacts based on keeping the land purchase and Fire Station construction as separate loans vs. combined. McKinney noted that it may make the most sense to combine everything together if the impact on taxpayers was not significant. S. Nelson noted that interest rates should be a key focus in decision making. McKinney noted that while the debt service will stay relatively the same, equalized value of the community is likely to increase at a faster rate, offsetting costs. No action was taken on this agenda item.

d. Resolution 2025-21 Authorizing Pruitt, Ekes & Geary, S.C. to act as a scrivener of a joint agreement with the Village of Union Grove for the funding and planned 2026 repaving of 67th Drive and removal of a former train trestle over 67th Drive

McKinney presented this agreement and confirmed that the costs would be 50/50 except for the culvert work which is under consideration (Union Grove planning to upgrade the culvert size).

Motion (S. Nelson, Funk) to adopt Resolution 2025-21 authorizing the attorney to act as a scrivener, MC.

e. Ordinance 2025-06 Amending Article XII of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Yorkville, County of Racine, State of Wisconsin, relating to public events

McKinney provided an overview of the changes including what constitutes an "public event," who is exempt, and application requirements and relative discussion followed.

Motion (S. Nelson, Bartlett) to adopt Ordinance 2025-06 amending Article XII of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances, MC.

f. Resolution 2025-22 Updating the fee schedule for fees established by Yorkville Village Board policy and various provisions of the Village of Yorkville Code of Ordinances

Carls outlined expenses related to processing an application. Discussed appropriate fees for single and annual event applications, respectively.

Motion (S. Nelson, Maurice) that we insert \$75.00 dollar fee for the daily public event permit and \$200.00 for the annual permit and adopt Resolution 2025-22 with those fees, MC.

5. Reports

- a. Engineer's Report report on activities and issues

 Eberle was not present. Funk reported on issues with culvert replacement on the 58th Road project.
- b. Yorkville Stormwater Utility District Report report on activities and issues | No report
- c. Roads/Public Works Committee Report report on activities and issues | No report
- d. Union Grove/Yorkville Fire Commission Report report on activities and issues | No report
- e. Long-Range Planning/Ordinance Committee Report report on activities and issues
 - Maurice reported the Committee had met on May 13th to discuss public and private event ordinances and would meet again on June 10th to continue discussion of private event ordinances.
- f. Village President's Report report on activities and issues
 - D. Nelson reported that Visit Racine County and Route 20 are working together to repair the access road between their businesses. Subway and Culvers are not participating in the project.
- g. Public Works Report report on activities and issues
 - Carriker stated he had received a complaint regarding lack of signage for the 58th Road project. He stated he observed Mid-City and SEH considering altering plans on a generator placement, and worked with them to ensure they placed the generator according to the plans.
- h. Clerk's Report report on activities and issues
 - Carls stated that there may be an appeal to the Sex Offender Residency Board. Carls is seeking recommendations for adding an alternate member to the Sex Offender Residency Board. Carls received a complaint about ATVs and dirt bikes on roads over the Memorial Day weekend she will be following up on.
- i. Administrator's Report report on activities and issues
 - McKinney noted June 9th agenda items including the following: Pollina conditional use, land use amendment, and rezone applications; Radeta conditional use and rezone applications, Kurt conditional use application, and Sifuentes pre-application conference. He also noted that that the Wisconsin Public Service Commission had approved the preferred route for the ATC Wester Feed Project.
- 6. Public Comments, Questions and Suggestions 5-minute limit per person

None

- 7. Business Discussion and possible action on the following:
 - a. Union Grove-Yorkville Fire Department intermunicipal agreement

McKinney stated that Elaine Ekes, A.T.T.Y., who is acting as a scrivener for Yorkville and Union Grove is working on updates to this agreement that will consider parcel(s) ownership, maximum spending amounts, handling change orders, apportioning sewer and water infrastructure costs, updating UGYFD bylaws, and developing a capital improvement and maintenance plan before occupancy is granted. No action taken, informational only.

- b. Any response, or lack of response thereof, to an Offer to Purchase and Amendment to Offer to Purchase, along with accompanying Addendum 1, presented by the Village of Yorkville for the acquisition of a portion of the property located at 2705 South Colony Avenue (USH 45) (Parcel ID # 194-03-21-20-021-000)
 - McKinney stated that Pollina and Pollina's attorney have relayed that Pollina has signed the Offer to Purchase, but he has not received a physical copy yet.
- c. **Closed Session:** The Village Board MAY entertain a motion to go into CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e), which allows for deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, to discuss options on how to proceed in regard to the following:
 - i. Union Grove-Yorkville Fire Department intermunicipal agreement
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The Village Board did not enter a closed session, no discussion.

d. The Village Board shall RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION reserving the right to take action on the matters discussed in CLOSED SESSION and to move to the remaining meeting agenda as posted

8. Adjournment

Motion (Funk, Maurice) to adjourn at 8:01 p.m., MC.

Respectfully submitted, Janine Carls, Village Clerk

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