

**VILLAGE OF ST. CLOUD BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**JANUARY 6, 2026- 7:00 P.M.**

FOLLOWING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE ST. CLOUD VILLAGE BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT ERIC HEIMERMANN AT 7:00 P.M. ALL BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT.

FOLLOWING THE READING OF THE DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES, ERIC CALLED FOR A MOTION TO HAVE THE MINUTES APPROVED. CHUCK PIERQUET MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS READ; THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MELISSA BINK. ALL MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED.

**UTILITY:**

TONY STEFFEN FROM MCO REPORTED THAT THE METER CHANGE OUTS REQUIRED BY THE DNR HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BY DAVE AND JEFF. A NEW PUMP WAS PURCHASED FOR THE RARE EARTH CHEMICALS AT THE WASTEWATER PLANT AND WAS INSTALLED BY HAWKINS EARLIER IN THE WEEK. RESIDENTIAL CROSS CONNECTIONS ALONG WITH ADDITIONAL METER CHANGE OUTS WILL BE COMPLETED THIS YEAR.

SABEL MECHANICAL WILL BE DOING THE LIFT STATION CLEANING THIS WEEK.

DAVE COMMENTED THAT THE MONTHLY GENERATOR TESTING IS FINISHED AND EZRA PRATT FROM MUNICIPAL WELL AND PUMP WILL BE AT THE FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING TO EXPLAIN THE WELL #2 REBUILD PROCESS AND POSSIBLE COSTS INVOLVED. JEFF HELLMER COMMENTED THAT A NEW CONTROL BOX HEATER WILL BE INSTALLED AT THE LIFT STATION, AND THE GAS HEATER AT WELL #2 IS BEING REPAIRED.

**VILLAGE:**

ERIC READ A GENERAL ENGINEERING AGREEMENT FROM MCMAHON WITH THEIR CURRENT GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AND FEE SCHEDULE. ERIC CALLED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT. DAVE SCHRY MOTIONED TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY TOM OETJEN.

ERIC GAVE A GENERAL SUMMARY ON A RECENT ZOOM PRESENTATION BY DEMPSEY LAW OFFICE ON MUNICIPAL COMMUNICATION OUTSIDE OF REGULAR MEETINGS AND TRANSPARENCY. A MINIMUM OF 2 HOURS NOTICE CAN BE GIVEN FOR ANY MEETING CALLED FOR IMMEDIATE DECISIONS. TRUSTEES CAN BE DELEGATED TO MAKE A DECISION, IF NECESSAR, IN AN EMERGENCY IF NEED BE.

OLD RECORDS RETENTION / DISPOSAL WAS ALSO A TOPIC IN REGARD TO OPEN RECORDS REQUESTS.

THE SNOW REMOVAL PROCESSES AND PRIORITIZING WAS DISCUSSED AND AREAS NEEDING SNOW REMOVAL THAT THE SNOWPLOW CANNOT / WILL NOT ACCESS.

A "HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT" WITH THE FOND DU LAC COUNTY SHERIFFS' DEPARTMENT WAS REVIEWED IN REGARD TO TEMPORARILY PARKING A SHERIFF'S VEHICLE IN THE VILLAGE PARKING LOT. ERIC CALLED FOR A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGREEMENT. ADAM PUETZ MOTIONED TO ACCEPT AND MELISSA BINK SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOR.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

FINANCE: THE NEW 2026 BUDGET COPIES WERE DISTRIBUTED TO THE BOARD MEMBERS AND ARE AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS UPON REQUEST.  
WITH 34% OF REAL ESTATE TAXES COLLECTED, JANUARY SETTLEMENT PAYMENTS WERE MADE TO FOND DU LAC COUNTY, NEW HOLSTEIN SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND MORAINÉ PARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: JARED BERENZ REPORTED GUTTER WORK IS NEEDED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE FIREHOUSE. HE WILL CONTACT SOMEONE TO REPAIR.

RECYCLE & WASTE: NO REPORT

CAUCUS & LICENSING: THE ANNUAL CAUCUS MEETING WAS HELD PREVIOUSLY THIS EVENING TO SELECT NOMINATIONS FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE POSITIONS IN THE APRIL, 2026 ELECTION.

STREETS & SIDEWALKS: FOLLOW UPS ON RESIDENTIAL TREE TRIMMING

UTILITIES & PARKS: WERE COVERED PREVIOUSLY IN THE MEETING.

DAVE SCHRY MADE A MOTION TO PAY BILLS AND APPROVE TIMECARDS. TOM OETJEN SECONDED THE MOTION. TIMECARDS WERE REVIEWED AND BILLS WERE PAID.

MELISSA BINK MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING; MOTION SECONDED BY DAVE SCHRY.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:25 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RHONDA WEBER  
VILLAGE CLERK