COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday October 21, 2026

The council met in regular session at 5:30 pm with Mayor Rick presiding.

Mr. Tonsic asked everyone to join him in a moment of reflection of their own intentions. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all.

The Council Meeting was held in the Council Chambers. The meeting was open to the public and was posted to the Village's Facebook page after the meeting was held.

Roll Call: Yoho, McDowall, Van Dike, Tonsic, Bauer, and Miller were present. Raddish was excused.

Others Present: Mayor Mike Rick, Council Clerk Jennifer Barnes, and Clerk-Treasurer Scott Varney, and Assistant Law Director Natalie Schulte were present. Law Director Jason Dodson and Village Engineer Matt Glass were excused.

Motion by McDowall, second by Van Dike for the approval of the agenda as presented. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Bauer, second by Tonsic, to adopt the minutes from the October 07, 2026 Council meeting. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON PENDING LEGISLATION:

No Comments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITIES: Mr. Bauer had no report.
SAFETY: Mr. Yoho had no report.
PARKS & RECREATION: Mr. McDowall had no report.
PLANNING AND ZONING: Ms. Miller had no report.
FINANCE/AUDIT: Ms. Van Dike had no report.
STREETS: Mr. Tonsic had no report.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

COMMENTS from the Public:

Carl Housley, 67 First Ave, stated that 2 weeks ago he had asked about promotions within the police department and wanted to know why a program like this was not implemented within the fire department. He also said that the Village had added $200,000 to the police department payroll in the last few years by adding extra policemen and he wondered why this additional money was not included in the levy, instead of all the fire department. He also had questions on the mailer that was sent out for the upcoming levy. He stated that the increase stated on the card was incorrect based on his own personal calculations after looking at the County Fiscal Office site.

Mayor Rick had questions on how Carl had come up with a budget of $200,000 dollars because that number was not officially stated anywhere. He also stated that Carl's numbers and "facts" were incorrect with staffing within the police department as one of the new officers is because of the SRO grant and now the school is paying the majority of that salary and benefits. For the mailer, the Mayor and Clerk Treasurer stated that the numbers on the card were correct based on what was provided by the county.

Jon Mencer, 242 S Cleveland Ave, wanted to know if there was going to be a one-day large item pickup for trash.

Mayor Rick stated that based on the contract, customers can leave 2 cubic yards out for pickup already on a weekly basis and it was decided that a pickup day like that was not necessary.

COMMENTS from the Council: Council had no comment.

COMMENTS from the Assistant Law Director: Natalie Schulte had no comment.

COMMENTS from the Clerk-Treasurer: Scott Varney had no comment.

COMMENTS from Mayor Rick: Mayor Rick stated that leaf pickup will begin on 10/26/2026 and crews will continue for at least 6 weeks.

Trick Or Treat will be 10/31/2026 from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm and the road closure QR code information is posted on the stop signs around town.

Meeting adjourned at 5:43 pm.

11-4-26

Michael Rick, Mayor Date

Attest:

11/4/2026

Jennifer Barnes, Council Clerk Date