

**MINUTES OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AND
SEWER & WATER UTILITY BOARD MEETING**

February 17, 2025

VILLAGE OF HATLEY

President David Narloch called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. This meeting, held in the village board room at the Hatley library/community center, opened with The Pledge of Allegiance. Present were: David Narloch-President, William Karschney-Trustee, Peter Holdridge-Trustee, Joseph Szews-Treasurer, Joan Fraaza-Deputy Clerk, and David Fierek-Utility personnel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the January 7, 2025 village board meeting and the January 20, 2025 Caucus were read and approved on a motion by Trustee Karschney second by Trustee Holdridge and carried.

BUILDING & ZONING:

Building/ Zoning Report: Zoning Administrator, Bill Karschney, reported that a resident inquired about our chicken ordinance.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: No issues presented.

TIF PROJECTS UPDATE:

TIF Update from Treasurer: Treasurer Szews presented updated TID Revenue Bond Record of Draws and Funds Usage report and projects funded with monies from bond proceeds.

Columbus Street Bridge Project Update: President Narloch had a report from Jim Griesbach; bids were let 2/11/2025 and 4 bids were received. Bid was awarded to Sheet Piling Services LLC for \$612,508.53. Marathon County Highway Commissioner, Jim Griesbach reports they are an excellent company and do great work. Work may be completed in 2025 or 2026. As previously reported, awarded bidder will establish start date.

KNOWLES-NELSON STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM AND RESOLUTION:

Resolution #2025-01 to support the reauthorization of state funding for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program was reviewed and approved. Motion to approve by Trustee Holdridge, second by Trustee Karschney and carried. A copy of this resolution is on page 9 of this minutes book.

2025 FARMERS MARKET UPDATE:

Flyers will be prepared and we plan to include one in the April 2025 'Villager' mailing. Vendor forms will be prepared and provided to 2024 vendors.

OLD BUSINESS-SEWER & WATER UTILITY:

No Old Sewer & Water Utility business.

NEW BUSINESS-SEWER & WATER UTILITY: Utility Report: Brian Janikowski prepared a utility report for board review. David Fierek reported that the new testing equipment is working well. Plant is running in compliance.

Discuss sale of vehicle: Brian Janikowski left a written proposal to purchase the 2007 Chevy Silverado for \$2000.00. Motion by Trustee Karschney, second by Trustee Holdridge to sell this truck to Brian Janikowski. Motion carried. Plates will need to be changed from municipal plates.

OLD BUSINESS-GENERAL:

Whispering Willow Easement: Treasurer Szews will reach out to Assessor Terry Vosburgh about proposed assessed values.

Fire & Ambulance District Update: January 21, 2025 District meeting minutes were reviewed.

Update on 6'-20' bridge culvert program: No report.

NEW BUSINESS-GENERAL:

Ice Age Trail Update: President Narloch presented the recent lunch and learn handout.

LICENSES FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL:

The following license applications were presented: Saint Florian Parish-Temporary Class B license for fish fries March 7, March 14, March 28, and April 4, 2025. Trevor Fields (GPM)-Operators license. Applications were reviewed and approved on a motion by Trustee Holdridge, second by Trustee Karschney and carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT + REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS:

Tax Account and Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Szews presented a Treasurer's report for board review, as well as account detail.

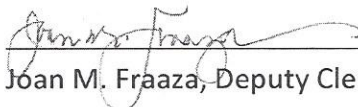
Bill Payment: Tax Account: Checks #1319-1328 were presented for approval. Sewer & Water Utility Checks # 7935-7958 were presented for approval. General Fund: Checks #12771-12791 were presented for approval. TIF Account: No TID account checks. Motion to approve all checks by Trustee Karschney, second by Trustee Holdridge. Motion carried.

SET MARCH MEETING DATE:

The **March** meeting was scheduled for **TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Holdridge; second by Trustee Karschney. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,


Joan M. Fraaza, Deputy Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-01

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF REAUTHORIZATION OF STATE FUNDING FOR
KNOWLES-NELSON STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Legislature created the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program in 1989 to preserve valuable natural areas and wildlife habitat, protect water quality and fisheries, and expand opportunities for outdoor recreation. Per Ch. 23 .09 1 5(2c)(d), Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program is set to expire in 2025 and the program has supported land acquisition and capital development by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), local governments, and nonprofit conservation organizations to preserve valuable natural areas and wildlife habitat, protect water quality and expand outdoor recreation for public benefit around the state; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Hatley has directly benefited over the years having received Stewardship grant funds to improve Memorial Park; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Hatley is a designated Ice Age Trail Community, which understands the importance of the Ice Age National Scenic Trail in driving visitation to its community and supports efforts to complete the Trail which will require Stewardship funding; and


WHEREAS, the Hatley Village Board consider the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program a valuable tool to preserve and restore natural areas, wildlife habitat, and water quality while supporting the development of public nature-based outdoor recreation opportunities that promote economic development and enhance quality of life, including the Ice Age National Scenic Trail; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Hatley Village Board to express its support of the reauthorization of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program in 2025 with sufficient funding allocated to fund projects over the next 10 years to our State Legislators and the Governor.

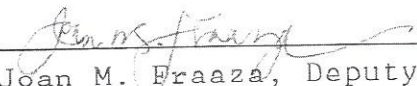
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hatley Village Board does hereby express to the Wisconsin Legislature and Governor our full support for the reauthorization of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program and request that *sufficient funding/\$100 million annually* be allocated to support projects over the next for 10-year period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Hatley Village Board directs that the Village Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to the offices of each of our State Legislators and the Office of the Governor.

Approved this 17th day of February, 2025.


David J Narloch, Village President

Attest:


Joan M. Fraaza, Deputy Clerk