Village Board Meeting – October 26, 2026

On October 26, 2026, the Village Board met at the Village Hall, 613 Main Street, Colfax, WI at 7:00 p.m. Members present included Trustees Spielman, Petznick, Jenson, T. Prince, Stene, Best and President Prince. Others present were Mitch Nichols with Ayres Associates, Public Works Director Sajdera, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Riemer, Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Mitchell and LeAnn Ralph with the Messenger.

Public Comment – none

Communication from the Village President – none

5. **Consent Agenda**

a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes –October 12, 2026
b. Review Statement of Bills Dairy State Bank Checking – October 12, 2026 – October 25, 2026
c. Review Statement of Bills Solid Waste & Recycling – October 12, 2026 – October 25, 2026
d. Licenses – none

A motion was made by Trustee Stene and seconded by Trustee Best to approve consent agenda items a through d. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

6. Consideration Items

a. **Ayres Associates-High Street-Mitch Nichols** –Nichols presented with a contract for scope of services for High Street. This project is to begin and be completed next year. Total project cost is $755,000 with the contract with Ayres to be $128,000. Conversation included what will be done, amount based on hourly & not to exceed, what percentage the engineering costs are and that fees are based on a "worse case scenario". Mitchell stated she had been in contact with Ehler's and this amount would okay for the debt for 2027. A motion was made by Trustee Stene and seconded by Trustee Best to approve the contract with Ayres in the amount of $128,000 for the High Street project. Voting For: Trustees Best, Stene, Jenson, T. Prince, Spielman, Petznick and President Prince. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

b**. East View/Dunn St. North Lots – KM Construction**-Kris Meyer was not present, it was related that he had a flat tire and would not be able to come. A motion was made by Trustee Best and seconded by Trustee Jenson to table this item until the November 9, 2026 meeting. Voting For: Trustees Best, Stene, Jenson, T. Prince, Spielman, Petznick and President Prince. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

c. **Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Amendments & possible referral to Planning Committee**- Mitchell stated the plan needs to be re-worked and updated. The last update was in 2014. If we were to hire out for this it could run $50,000 to $60,000, Mitchell feels if we can make the changes and do it in sections before-hand we will be able to save a lot. She also stated she would like some areas on the map presented to be more flexible for zoning codes. A motion was made by Trustee Stene and seconded by Trustee Best to approve sending the Comprehensive Plan to the Planning Committee. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

d. **Set Date and Time for Audit & Finance Committee Meeting to Review Budget–** The Board decided to set meeting for November 18, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

7. Committee/Department Reports/Discussions- (no action)

8. Closed Session-

a. Consideration of motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(c) to discuss the performance and evaluation of a specific Village employee.

b. Consideration of motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) to review written advice from Village legal counsel regarding litigation strategy and potential legal action to be initiated by the Village.

A motion was made by Trustee Spielman and seconded by Trustee Stene to convene into closed session at 7:46 p.m.
A motion was made by Trustee Best and seconded by Trustee T. Prince to re-convene into open session at 8:17 p.m.
No action was taken.

9. Adjourn- A motion was made by Trustee Jenson and seconded by Trustee Best to adjourn meeting at 8:18 p.m. A voice was taken with all members voting in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Jeff Prince, Village President

Attest: _____
Julie Mitchell Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer