

**VILLAGE OF PEWAUKEE
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES
FEBRUARY 3, 2026**

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1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence, and Roll Call

President Knutson called the meeting to order at approximately 6:02 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence.

Roll Call was taken with the following Village Board members present: Trustee Nick Stauff, Trustee Bob Rohde, Trustee Kelli Belt, Trustee Rachel Pader, Trustee Kristen Kreuser, Trustee Jim Grabowski; and President Jeff Knutson.

Also Present: Police Chief, Tim Heier; Public Works Director, Dave Buechl; Public Works Supervisor, Jay Bickler; Village Attorney, Matt Gralinski; Village Administrator, Matt Heiser; and Village Clerk, Jenna Peter.

2. Public Hearings/Presentations – None.

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a. Minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting – January 20, 2026

Trustee Pader moved, seconded by Trustee Rohde to approve the January 20, 2026, minutes of the Regular Village Board meeting as presented.

Motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Kreuser abstained.

4. Citizen Comments – None.

5. Ordinances – None.

6. Resolutions – None.

7. Old Business – None.

8. New Business

a. Review, discussion and possible action to approve a proposal from Kelbe Brothers Equipment for the purchase of a front-end loader for \$268,900.

Supervisor Bickler explained that the machine has 3,222 hours, which averages to approximately 170 hours per year. He noted several conditions of the machine including ongoing mechanical problems, rusted battery boxes, and prolonged exposure to salt, contributing to significant wear. Bickler further explained the Volvo will eventually require new tires estimated at around \$10,000. The Village originally paid \$150,000 for the unit in 2007 and will receive approximately \$75,000 at auction.

Trustee Kreuser thanked Bickler for completing his due diligence and asked whether renting equipment would be advantageous.

Bickler stated that he looked into rental options; the cost would be \$2,170 per week.

Trustee Rohde moved, seconded by Trustee Grabowski to approve the proposal from Kelbe Brothers Equipment for the purchase of a front-end loader for \$268,900.

Motion carried 7-0.

b. Review, discussion and possible action to approve a proposal from Collier Geophysics for well site testing.

Director Buechl reported that this item had been reviewed by the Public Works and Safety Committee, which recommended approval of the proposed contract. He explained that the Village is currently in the middle of a Well 6 study (located behind the school.) Well 6 is contaminated with PFAS, and the Village is still evaluating how to proceed. There are three potential treatment options, one of the options would be to drill a new well. Staff developed a list of 10–12 potential sites for the future well location. Deep wells must be spaced one mile apart, necessitating further study to narrow down feasible sites. The proposal amount is \$10,297, with an additional optional cost of \$10,000–\$15,000 if further work is required. These additional costs would apply if the Village continued with groundwater as its source. The Village is simultaneously exploring both groundwater and Lake Michigan water options at this time.

Trustee Grabowski clarified that this is a Village-wide study, not limited solely to Well 6.

Buechl added that John Jansen will be conducting additional testing. He noted there is an additional layer of quartzite a few hundred feet down, which may affect the evaluation.

Trustee Grabowski moved, seconded by Trustee Rohde to approve the study from Collier Geophysics for well site testing for \$10,297 up to \$25,297.

Motion carried 7-0.

c. Review, discussion and possible action to approve the proposed contract extension with the Pewaukee Police Association.

Administrator Heiser summarized the agreed-upon terms outlined in the memo provided. He noted that the union met and formally ratified the agreement yesterday afternoon.

Trustee Rohde moved, seconded by Trustee Stauff to accept the tentative agreement with the Police Association.

Motion carried 7-0.

d. The Village Board of the Village of Pewaukee will enter into closed session pursuant to Wis. Statute Section 19.85(1)(e) 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, specifically regarding contract negotiations with the Pewaukee Police Association. After conclusion of any closed session, the Village Board will reconvene in open session pursuant to Wis. Statute Section 19.85(2) for possible additional review, discussion and action concerning these agenda items and to address the remaining meeting agenda.

No discussion occurred in closed session.

9. Citizen Comments – None.

10. Adjournment

Trustee Grabowski moved, seconded by Trustee Rohde to adjourn the February 3, 2026, Regular Village Board meeting at approximately 6:22 p.m.

Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenna Peter
Village Clerk