

**VILLAGE OF PEWAUKEE  
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES  
MAY 5, 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 6:00 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: Public Works Director, Dave Buechl; Public Works Supervisor, Jay Bickler; Village Attorney, Matt Gralinski; Village Administrator, Matt Heiser; Village Clerk, Jenna Peter.

**2. Public Hearings/Presentations - None**

**3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**a. Minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting – April 21, 2026**

**Trustee Rohde moved, seconded by Trustee Kreuser to approve the April 21, 2026, minutes of the Regular Village Board meeting as presented.**

**Motion carried 6-0.**

**Trustee Stauff abstained.**

**4. Citizen Comments**

**Troy Jilot, N26W22105 Glenwood Lane, Waukesha** – Mr. Jilot stated he is a member of the Pewaukee Kiwanis Board and was unable to attend the previous meeting where outdoor open intoxicant areas were discussed. He explained that the annual event represents a significant financial undertaking, with beer and wine sales serving as a primary source of cost recovery. He estimated that the proposed changes could result in an approximate 30% loss in sales. He noted that similar events in Delafield and Hartland are funded by their respective Chambers of Commerce, whereas the Kiwanis Club funds the event independently and faces substantial insurance costs. Over the past 15–20 years, the organization has donated approximately \$175,000 to the Parks and Recreation Department, as well as contributed to the Pewaukee Food Pantry and other community initiatives. He stated that approximately 90% of the organization’s revenue is generated from the Beach Party, which supports continued community contributions.

Clerk Peter acknowledged receipt of a letter submitted by the Kiwanis Club of Pewaukee.

**Gary Ebert, 675 Blue Stem Court, Pewaukee** – Member of the Pewaukee Kiwanis Club. Mr. Ebert stated that the organization has supported numerous local groups and expressed concern that the proposed ordinance would negatively impact event revenue. He indicated that the event requires approximately \$25,000 in upfront expenses, including increased spending on bands to attract larger crowds. He noted that these costs pose a financial risk, particularly if alcohol sales are reduced. Mr. Ebert stated that while the organization does not object to attendees patronizing nearby establishments, he urged the Board not to adopt the ordinance during the Beach Party.

5. **Ordinances** –

- a. **Review, discussion, and possible action on Ordinance 2026-05: An Ordinance To Repeal And Recreate Section 18.112 And Repeal Section 18.113 Of The Municipal Code Regarding Sale Of Food Or Food Products; Amend Sections 18.101 And 18.102 Regarding Coin Operated Amusement Devices; And Repeal Section 18.114 Regarding Soft Drink Licenses.**

**Trustee Grabowski moved, seconded by Trustee Pader to approve Ordinance 2026-05 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

6. **Resolutions** –

- a. **Review, discussion and possible action on Resolution No. 2026-04, A Resolution Adopting the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin Water Utility Rate Order**

Trustee Grabowski stated this was discussed at the Public Works & Safety Committee meeting. He also wanted to mention that the Board are all Village citizens and this impacts the members of the Board as well.

**Trustee Grabowski moved, seconded by Trustee Rohde to approve Resolution 2026-04 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

7. **Old Business** – None.

8. **New Business**

- a. **Review, discussion and possible action to approve a temporary road closure at 1239 and 1230 Timber Ridge from 5 PM to 10 PM on Sunday, May 24 for a block party.**

**Trustee Kreuser moved, seconded by Trustee Pader to approve the temporary road closure at 1239 and 1230 Timber Ridge for a block party.**

**Motion carried 7-0.**

- b. **Review, discussion and possible action on construction updates of Public Works projects including work on Wells #2, #3, #5, #6 and #7; 2026 Street projects, issues involving the railroad, and work on the Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations.**

Grabowski inquired about adding the list to the Village website, noting that approximately half of the listed items are contributing to the recently approved rate increase as well as ongoing road projects. Following discussion, staff was directed to post the list and corresponding map information on the Village website.

**No action taken.**

- c. **Review, discussion and possible action to confirm committee appointments by the Village President:**

- a. **Aquatic Weed Commission – 1 Citizen Member (3-year term); Jodi Zelinger.**

**Trustee Grabowski moved, seconded by Trustee Pader to approve Jodi Zelinger for a 3-year term to the Aquatic Weed Commission.**

**Motion carried 7-0.**

- d. **Review, discussion and possible action on use of Village funds for Administrative Staff Village-branded Clothing.**

Trustee Belt stated that while the request is not unreasonable, \$100 per person seems high. She noted that while the overall impact on the budget is small, incremental costs can accumulate.

**Trustee Kreuser moved, seconded by Trustee Grabowski to approve Village funds for Administrative Staff for Village-branded clothing.**

**Motion carried 6-1.**

**Trustee Belt voting nay.**

**9. Citizen Comments – None.**

**10. Adjournment**

**Trustee Rohde moved, seconded by Trustee Pader to adjourn the May 5, 2026, Regular Village Board meeting at approximately 6:20 p.m.**

**Motion carried 7-0.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenna Peter  
Village Clerk