

Village of Plain

Village Board Proceedings of February 11, 2026

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Plain Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Office Building, 510 Main Street, on February 11, 2026. Village President Ray Ring called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Ray Ring, Village President; Terry Drone; John T. Feiner; Cindy Haag; Wade Neubauer; Steve Whitford; and, Kelly Yanke, Trustees.

Notice of this meeting, along with the agenda, was posted at the following locations in the Village of Plain: Plain Municipal Office Building; Plain Post Office; and the Kraemer Library & Community Center on Monday, February 9, 2026. Notice was emailed to the *Independent Star News*; *Valley Sentinel*; and, the *Baraboo News Republic*.

Yanke motioned to approve the January 14, 2026 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Feiner seconded. Motion carried.

Other Business

The Development & Planning Commission recommends approval of the petition from Sauk Prairie Healthcare, Inc, to potentially rezone 1370 Cherry Street, parcel number 171-0249-00000, from its current classification of Public District to Business/Commercial District. Haag motioned to accept the recommendation to rezone the property to Business/Commercial District. Neubauer seconded. Motion carried.

Carver read the first reading of Ordinance 229-26, an ordinance to create alternate-side winter parking.

Ring motioned to approve Caitlin Opatik as a Library Board member. Haag seconded. Motion carried.

Feiner motioned to hire Kristin Gilpatrick and Chelsey Kraemer for the Pool Managers. Yanke seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Public Works – Steve Whitford

The Public Works Committee met to discuss the alternate-side winter parking and seal coating projects for 2026.

Finance – Terry Drone

No Finance Committee report.

Golf Course – John T. Feiner

The Golf Course Committee is planning a meeting for next month.

Library – Cindy Haag

Haag reported that 2025 usage statistics were provided. They were very similar to last year, except for checkouts, where almost 1,000 more were Overdrive or electronic books. Christine Elliot, Assistant Library Director, has taken another job and submitted her notice. Her last day is February 9th. A search for her replacement has begun. The position involves 12+ hours a week. More information is on the website. The Friends of the Library have partnered with the Spring Green Library to update and expand the Books for Babies program. Information is being dropped off at area medical clinics and other locations that could help spread the word to parents of children two years old and under. The information given to parents encourages them to pick up a tote bag from the library filled with free books and resources to encourage a love of reading at an early age. Family night is Wednesday, January 28, at 5:30. The Mid-Morning Matinee is February 18th at 11:30, and the next board meeting is February 23rd.

Recreation – Kelly Yanke

Yanke met with Kristin Gilpatrick to discuss an overview of the pool. A meeting is scheduled for April 1st with both Pool Managers. A few lifeguards have applied, but we are still looking for more. An ad needs to be posted for the Recreation Director position. Kraemer Brothers will be constructing the dugouts. Shem Heiser and Kevin Nachreiner are donating the roofing. The Plain Lions are discussing doing the seating.

Law Enforcement & Fire Emergency District – Wade Neubauer

No Law Enforcement Committee report.

No Fire Emergency District Board report.

Development/Planning & Personnel – Ray Ring

The Development & Planning Commission met earlier this evening for the rezoning.

No Personnel Commission report.

Police Department

No Police Department report.

Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Report

The tax collection was turned over to the county. Carver collected \$1,364,925.08. Carver reminded residents that the owner or occupant of any property shall promptly, each day, remove all snow and ice that may have fallen or accumulated on the sidewalk in front of the property. If ice has formed and cannot be removed, the owner or occupant shall keep the sidewalk sprinkled with a material that prevents it from becoming dangerous to pedestrians. Sidewalks must be clear to the edge. If the owner or occupant fails to comply, the cost of removal is \$100 for the first time and \$200 each time thereafter during the rest of that seasonal year. If the invoice is not paid, it will be placed on the tax bill as a special assessment.

Public Works Department Report

Water January-26

Pumpage for Well No. 1	787,000	gallons		
Pumpage for Well No. 2	<u>550,000</u>	gallons		
Total Pumpage for Month	1,337,000	gallons		
Total Pumpage for the Month Last Year	1,706,000	gallons		
This is	(369,000)	gallons	less	than last year.
Monthly chlorine average	0.16	ppm		

Two bacti samples and two well samples were sent to the State Lab. All samples tested safe.

Wastewater January-26

Influent Monthly Average B.O.D.	205	mg/l
Effluent Monthly Average B.O.D.	4	mg/l
Influent Monthly Average T.S.S.	365	mg/l
Effluent Monthly Average T.S.S.	11	mg/l
Monthly Average Nitrogen Ammonia	0.599	mg/l
Limit: 4.3 mg/l Monthly: October-April		
8.0 mg/l Monthly: May-September		
20.0 mg/l Daily		
Monthly Average Total Phosphorus	0.129	mg/l
Total Gallons Treated	1,643,000	gallons

Correspondence

No correspondence.

Review and Audit of Invoices:

Whitford motioned to pay check# 29142 payable to Sabel Mechanical for \$2,422.38 from the Sewer Replacement Fund. Yanke seconded. Motion carried.

Yanke motioned to pay the bills as presented. Feiner seconded. Motion carried.

General Fund	\$523,586.71	Water Utility	\$9,096.98
Library Fund	\$16,396.04	Sewer Department	\$15,140.63
TIF District	\$528.76	Golf Course	\$3,371.20
Debt Services	\$57,216.10		

Wage Reimbursements: \$21,168.31

Yanke motioned to adjourn at 7:13 p.m. Neubauer seconded. Motion carried.

Sheila Carver, Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer