

THE VILLAGE OF GAYS MILLS

At 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6th the public hearing was opened at the Gays Mills Community Commerce Center to discuss and review the proposed creation of Section 13-1-30 Wellhead Protection Overlay District relating to the protection of the municipal water supply and amendments to the Zoning Map. No one showed up with objections. Craig Anderson followed up with a couple of questions regarding the ordinance and map. At 6:03 p.m. McCarn made a motion to close the public hearing. Seconded by Murray. Motion carried.

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board of Gays Mills held Monday, April 6, 2026, which began at 6:03 p.m. in the Community Commerce Community Room.

Village President Harry Heisz called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following present: Harry Heisz, Larry McCarn, Kevin Murray, Kim Pettit, and Art Winsor. Ethan Eitsert and Emily Kinserdahl were absent.

The board received verification that the agenda was posted in accordance with the open meeting law.

Under citizens and delegations a flood update was requested and asked when the water is expected to go down.

No Wastewater Treatment Project report was given.

Under the Public Works report Bob Robinson reported that they are working on changing out water meters.

Murray made a motion to approve the board meeting minutes of March 2, 2026. Seconded by Winsor. Motion carried.

McCarn made a motion to approve payments of the bills as listed in the monthly expense report. Seconded by Murray. Motion carried.

Under old business agenda item junk vehicles was reviewed, twenty-four letters have been sent regarding junk or unlicensed vehicles to be removed by May 15th. After May 15th Crawford County Sheriff's Department will be following up with residents, issuing citations, and starting the removal process.

No Building Inspector proposals were received.

Todd Halvensleben of Vierbicher provided engineered drawings for the sanitary sewer replacement on State Highway 171 with an estimated cost of \$64,581. There is 336 feet of sewer line to be replaced which is old clay piping near the Royal Bank. Bid requests should be advertised for at least two weeks. The STH 171 project is to be started in late May with the intersection of STH 131 and STH 171 to be elevated. Murray made a motion to approve the project and authorize to go out to bid for the State Highway 171 sanitary sewer replacement. Seconded by McCarn. Motion carried.

McCarn made a motion to adopt 2026-05 ordinance creating 13-1-30 Wellhead Protection Overlay District of the Municipal Code of the Village of Gays Mills. Seconded by Winsor. Motion carried. This new ordinance provides permitted uses, conditional uses, and prohibited uses within the wellhead protection district.

Murray made a motion to adopt 2026-06 updated zoning map. Seconded by McCarn. Motion carried. Changes are made to Old Gays Road from Traditional Ag to Single Family Ag, Flood Buyouts Deed Restrictions to Village Owned Conservancy II, Del La Mater Road from Residential to Traditional Ag, Appleland Drive from Industrial to Business, 17128 Hwy 131 from Multi-Family to Residential, and 210 School Street from Business to Residential.

Murray made a motion to approve a temporary alcohol beverage license application for McCormick-Rose American Legion on July 3, 2026 through July 4, 2026 at 388 S Railroad Street (Stump Dodger Bash). Seconded by McCarn. Motion carried.

No swimming pool applications were received. Swimming Pool Managers Ray and Danielle Strong will be working on.

Under correspondences the board received notice of a meeting at the Crawford County Administration Building on April 8th at 9:00 a.m. to help identify communities for sites of development for housing and/or business. Notices received for yard waste pickup to begin April 6th, hydrants to be flushed on April 15th and April 16th, cemetery cleanup to begin April 15th, Spring Clean-up on April 25th, Open Book on April 20th, Board of Review on May 4th, and an invite from the Driftless Green Burial Alliance for a Green Burial presentation on April 20th.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 4, 2026.

At 6:23 p.m. Murray made a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wisc. Stat. 19.85(1) (c) in considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee and 19.85 (1) (e) to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public properties, the investment of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons required closed session. Seconded by Winsor. Roll call vote was taken - Pettit, Winsor, Heisz, McCarn, and Murray voted Yes. Motion carried.

At 6:33 p.m. Murray made a motion to reconvene into open session. Seconded by McCarn. Motion carried.

McCarn made a motion to approve the hiring of the only application received for the public works part-time position at a rate of \$15.50 per hour, Alec Mulholland. Seconded by Murray. Motion carried.

At 6:35 p.m. Murray made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by McCarn. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Dawn R. McCann, Clerk
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