

THE VILLAGE OF GAYS MILLS

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board of Gays Mills held on Monday, July 6, 2026, which began at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Commerce Board Room.

Village President Harry Heisz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following present: Joe Boland, Harry Heisz, Emily Kinserdahl, Larry McCarn, and Kim Pettit. Kevin Murray and Art Winsor were absent.

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

No citizens or delegations took place.

No Wastewater Treatment Project report was given.

A swimming pool report was not given.

Under the Public Works report Heisz reported that heavy rain in the area on July 2nd did result in flood damage on West Point Road with washing out of gravel and bank next to the culvert; the road was closed during this time. There was a small amount of water over State Highway 171 near the bridge and there were also trees that fell on the roads. The river crested at 14.78. Road repairs will need to be made on West Point Road. The road culvert on Highway 131 near the well house did not handle all the rainwater and water, rocks, and mud overflowed the highway resulting in the Fire Department managing traffic and cleanup until the water slowed. There were two water main breaks this past month with the sewer replacement project on State Highway 171 near the Royal Bank. With the vibration of the machinery and poor quality of the water mains there was a break on June 25th and June 29th. Craig Anderson stated his concerns about the cottonwood tree next to the dam buildings; the tree is in poor condition and he is concerned about it falling. Heisz stated he has talked to the county about removal, but it has not been completed yet. This tree is in highway right-of-way. The new lawn mower is in and one of the Gravely mowers is at M & M Lawn & Leisure for repair.

The sewer replacement project on State Highway 171 near the Royal Bank is complete.

The water main replacement project that was approved on July 1st will start late this week or next week.

The board received a written update from the Crawford County Sheriff's Department regarding junk vehicles. Heisz would like to review the citation amount at the next meeting.

Kinserdahl made a motion to approve the board meeting minutes of June 1, 2026. Seconded by Pettit. Motion carried.

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

General Engineering Company provided a proposal for village residential building inspection services; examine and process building plans, process building permits, coordinate, perform and complete required inspections, prepare and submit activity reports, and submit a year-end report. The permit fees will be collected from the homeowner or builder. McCarn made a motion to approve General Engineering Company for residential building inspections. Seconded by Kinserdahl. Motion carried.

Heisz updated the board on the STH 171 project from Mt. Sterling to Rolling Ground. The project is still on schedule and the grinding of the blacktop, intersection work, and Main Street work are to start within the next couple of weeks.

David Gibbs updated the board on the library outdoor seating request. The Library Board is interested in Adirondack chairs and David will follow up with their request.

Kinserdahl made a motion to approve a Certified Survey Map located in the NE ¼ of NW ¼ and the NW ¼ of NW ¼ of Sec. 21 T10N R4W for the Johnson/Swiggum property (located nearby State Highway 171 West, near Dan & Amy Martin). Seconded by McCarn. Motion carried.

After reviewing the conditions of village signage Kinserdahl made a motion to move forward on contacting the past sign sponsors to see if they would like to continue and help with replacement expenses. Seconded by Pettit. Motion carried. Proline Printing & Signs quoted for the Welcome Sign replacements and small top portion replacement of

the welcome signs. No quote was received for the Mercantile Sign. Lion's Club, Sunrise Orchard, Royal Bank, and Kickapoo Stump Dodger Campground were the Welcome Sign sponsors in 2012. Heisz would like to see an additional sign near Robb Park with a list of events and flood measurements.

Kinserdahl made a motion to adopt Resolution 2026-06 for Inclusion Under the Income Continuation Insurance Plan for eligible village employees with the Wisconsin Department of Employee Trust Funds. Seconded by Pettit. Motion carried.

Kinserdahl made a motion to approve operator's license applications for Kaydence Young, Brenden Kuhnke, Dawn Swanson, James Washburn and Trevor O'Kane. Seconded by McCarn. Motion carried.

Under correspondences the board received a thank you from the Gays Mills Farmers Market for the village's donation.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 3, 2026.

Closed session did not take place.

At 6:25 p.m. McCarn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Boland. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Dawn R. McCann, Clerk
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