VILLAGE OF ELKHART LAKE



Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin 53020

MINUTES September 5th, 2023

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Elkhart Lake held on September 5th, 2023, with the agenda having been duly posted on Thursday, August 31st, 2023 at National Exchange Bank and Trust, the Elkhart Lake Post Office, and the Municipal Office between the hours of 3:39 P.M. and 4:01 P.M. and on the Village website on August 31st, 2023 at 3:36 P.M.

Clerk Reilly called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M. with the following Trustees present or on Zoom: John Schott, Geoff Bray, Paul Rudnick, Mike Wolf, and Terri Knowles. President Richard Sadiq and Trustee Lynn Shovan were absent.

Others in attendance include: Emmitt Feldner; Jessica Reilly, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer.

(Knowles/Wolf) moved to elect Schott to serve as President Pro Tem of the meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes -

(Knowles/Wolf) moved and seconded to approve the August 7th & 21st, 2023 minutes.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Treasurer's Report –

(Knowles/Bray) moved and seconded to approve the August Treasurer's Report.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Public Comment – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AUGUST BUILDING PERMITS – Reilly

This report was included in the Board packet in Dropbox.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE - Schott

Highlights of the September 5th, 2023 meetings:

- 1) The Committee discussed the electrical for the Village Square and received clarification that it includes 5 outlets and the clock.
- 2) The Committee recommends the Board and Administration Outlay for the 2024 budget as presented.
- 3) The Committee recommends Resolution 14 Idle Sites Grant Authorization.
- 4) The Committee approved the ELIA donation request.

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY – Bray

Highlights of the September 5th, 2023 meetings:

1) The Committee discussed and recommended the 2024 Police Outlay Budget.

TOURISM – Knowles

Highlights – August 24th, 2023 meeting:

1) This was a budget committee meeting to discuss the 2024 Budget.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Sadiq – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Class B Picnic License – Elkhart Lake First Responders – 25th Anniversary Celebration September 9, 2023</u> (Bray/Wolf) moved and seconded to approve the Temporary Class B Picnic License for September 9, 2023 for the First Responders.

Motion Carried Unanimously

<u>Temporary Operator's License – Elkhart Lake First Responders – 25th Anniversary Celebration September 9, 2023</u>

(Bray/Knowles) moved and seconded to approve the temporary operators' licenses for Kimberly Purkey & Michael Meeusen for September 9th, 2023 for the 25th First Responder Anniversary Celebration.

Motion Carried Unanimously

<u>24 Hours of Lemons – October 6, 2023 Time Change -5:00- 9 pm – Car Parade/Escort to & from RA, Street Closures & Liquor Dispensation</u>

(Wolf/Bray) moved and seconded to approve the time change request from 24 Hours of Lemons for the car parade, street closures, and liquor dispensation.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Resolution 14 – Authorizing Idle Sites Grant Application through the WEDC

(Bray/Knowles/Wolf) introduced, moved and seconded to approve Resolution 14 – Authorizing Idle Sites Grant Application through the WEDC.

Motion Carried Unanimously

RESOLUTION FOURTEEN- 2023 VILLAGE OF ELKHART LAKE SHEBOYGAN COUNTY, WISCONSIN

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN AWARD APPLICATION FOR THE WEDC IDLE SITES REDEVELOPMENT GRANT BY THE VILLAGE OF ELKHART LAKE FOR THE ASSISTANCE OF A DEVELOPMENT OF THE SHEBOYGAN COUNTY HIGHWAY FACILITY (604 S. LINCOLN STREET)

WHEREAS, the Village of Elkhart Lake is committed to redeveloping blighted and underutilized sites; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Elkhart Lake will engage in a Development Agreement with private developers (General Capital dba GenCap Danna Elkhart Lake 50, LLC and Van Horn Development dba Elkhart Lake Landco, LLC) to construct affordable workforce and market rate housing on the former Sheboygan County Highway Facility located at 604 S. Lincoln Street; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Elkhart Lake requests a grant available from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) and will comply with state and federal rules for the program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the Village of Elkhart Lake staff to submit an application to the WEDC for consideration of the award of an Idle Sites Redevelopment grant, sign documents and take necessary action to comply with approved award activities.

Attest: Adopted and Approved this 5 th day of September, 2023	Richard Sadiq, President
Jessica Reilly, Clerk-Treasurer	Geoffrey Bray, Trustee
Elktoberfest Requests – Tent, Petting Zoo, Root Be	eer Garten – Village Park - September 30 th , 2023

Elktoberfest Requests – Tent, Petting Zoo, Root Beer Garten – Village Park - September 30th, 2023 (Schott/Knowles) moved and seconded to approve the request, as long as the Public Works employees are on site when it is installed due to sprinkler lines.

Motion Carried Unanimously

<u>Trick or Treat – Date & Time</u>

(Wolf/Knowles) moved and seconded to approve the Trick or Treat for October 29th from 3-5 pm. Motion Carried Unanimously

Square Electrical/Lighting Proposal

Adopted this 5th day of September, 2023.

(Knowles/Bray) moved and seconded to approve the electrical proposal for the 5 tree areas, as well as the clock area for a cost of \$9,600, this does not include the lighting of the trees, this will need to be funded separately.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Walkway Permit- Ferrari Club of America – September 12, 2024 – 3 - 10 pm

(Bray/Wolf) moved and seconded to table this item until closer to the event and for more information.

Motion Carried Unanimously

ELIA Donation

(Rudnick/Wolf) moved and seconded to approve the ELIA donation of \$3,723.68 for the year.

Motion Carried Unanimously

ARPA Funding Allocation

(Knowles/Rudnick) moved and seconded to obligate all Village ARPA funds to new playground equipment in the Village Park.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Operator's Licenses – New

(Schott/Bray) moved and seconded that Operator Licenses be granted to the following new applicants for the licensing year ending June 30, 2024:

> Harry's Pizza e Vino-Laurie Latifi & Alyssa Teetzen Quit Qui Oc-Terry Sipiorski

R-Store- Joshua Lohse

Route 67-Brianna Rickmann

Motion Carried Unanimously

Operator's Licenses – Renewal

(Knowles/Schott) moved and seconded that an Operator License be granted to the following renewal applicant for the licensing year ending June 30, 2024:

ELGAA- Wendy Pfrang.

Motion Carried Unanimously

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Bray stated there is an issue with people using the lake path; in addition, these people are going off the path onto private property and climbing trees. Schott stated that the PPP will need to meet to discuss that issue as well as hydrofoils, bladder boats, and slow no wake. Knowles stated there are issues with people cleaning up after their dogs. The Police need to enforce this, but the Board questioned if camera footage or photography would be alright for the Police Department.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Reilly reported that the 25th Anniversary Party for the First Responders would be held at Fireman's Park on September 9th. There is a cornhole tournament, bands, and kids activities.

(Bray/Knowles) moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Jessica Reilly, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

MINUTES September 18th, 2023

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Elkhart Lake held on September 18th, 2023, with the agenda having been duly posted on Thursday, September 14th, 2023, between the hours of 2:49 P.M. and 4:10 P.M. at National Exchange Bank and Trust, the Elkhart Lake Post Office, and the Municipal Office and posted on the Village web page on Thursday, September 14th, 2023 at 3:30 P.M.

Clerk Reilly called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M. with the following Trustees present or on Zoom: Geoff Bray, John Schott, Paul Rudnick, Lynn Shovan, Mike Wolf, and Terri Knowles. President Richard Sadiq was absent.

Others in attendance include: Emmitt Feldner; Jessica Reilly, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer.

(Rudnick/Bray) moved to elect Shovan to serve as President Pro Tem of the meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment – None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE - Shovan

Highlights of the September 11th, 2023 meetings:

1) The Committee began reviewing the 2024 Budget, including the outlay, wages, expenditures, and revenues.

NORTHERN MORAINE UTILITY COMMISSION - Schott

Minutes – August 14th, 2023

Highlights – September 11th, 2023 meeting:

1) The projects including the C-1 lift station update, domes painting, and EQ tank walkway painting are all in progress and in good shape.

LIBRARY - Knowles

Minutes – August 14th, 2023

Highlights – September 11th, 2023 meeting:

- 1) The Library reviewed the 2024 budget proposal.
- 2) The Board discussed the need to replace the lighting in the library.

TOURISM COMMISSION - Knowles

Minutes – July 20th, 2023

Highlights – September 14th, 2023 meetings:

- 1) The Commission discussed the Fall media tour coming in late September.
- 2) The Commission discussed the schedule and plans for Elktoberfest from September 29-30th.
- 3) The sound study should be presented to the Commission in October.
- 4) The Commission discussed the 2024 Budget projection and performed personnel reviews.
- 5) The Commission approve ELIA's grant request.
- 6) The Commission reviewed the status and action plan of the strategic plan.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Sadiq – None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 15 – Sewer Rate Increase

(Knowles/Wolf/Rudnick) introduced, moved and seconded to approve Resolution 15-Sewer Rate Increase.

Motion Carried Unanimously

RESOLUTION FIFTEEN – 2023 VILLAGE OF ELKHART LAKE SHEBOYGAN COUNTY, WISCONSIN

SEWER COLLECTION FEES

WHEREAS, Northern Moraine Utility Commission is raising the rates of treating Village sewer effective January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Elkhart Lake needs to raise rates in order to balance the income and expenses, caused by the rate increase, of the Elkhart Lake Sewer Utility in accordance with Chapter 36.02 of the Elkhart Lake Municipal Code, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Elkhart Lake will increase the sewer charges in the volume rate by \$0.40 per 100 cubic feet of water used thereby having a total volume rate of \$7.55 per 100 cubic feet, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above charges begin after the meter reading taken on the 26th of December, 2023 thereby being in effect for the first quarter of 2024.

Attest: Adopted and Approved this	
18 th day of September, 2023	Richard Sadiq, President
Jessica Reilly, Clerk	Terri Knowles, Trustee

Sheboygan County Sales Tax Revenue Sharing Agreement

(Bray/Wolf) moved and seconded to approve the 2024 Tax Revenue Sharing Agreement with Sheboygan County.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Operator's Licenses – New

(Bray/Schott) moved and seconded that an Operator License be granted to the following new applicant for the licensing year ending June 30, 2024:

<u>R-Store</u> – Paula Schlenvogt

Motion Carried Unanimously

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Shovan asked to look into information that she had received information about Crystal Lake approving funding for a path between Elkhart and Crystal Lakes.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Reilly reported that the Committee of the Whole will need to meet to discuss the sound study.

VOUCHERS

The following Water Department vouchers were presented to the Board for approval and payment:

	NATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK &		
7868	TRUST	WATER POSTAGE STOCK FOR BILLING	\$ 98.66
7869	WE ENERGIES	WATER ELECTRICITY	\$ 1,565.33
7870	CORE & MAIN, LP	WATER METERS 16 METERS	\$ 7,155.59
7871	FRONTIER	WATER PHONE, INTERNET	\$ 174.34
7872	MARTELLE WATER TREATMENT	WATER AQUA MAG, SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE	\$ 1,777.32
7873	MUNICIPAL WELL & PUMP, INC.	WATER REPLACE PUMP WELL 1	\$ 11,330.00

	PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF		
7874	WISCONSIN	WATER-SIMPLE RATE CASE ASSESSMENT	\$ 75.28
7875	SJE	WATER SERVICE ELECTRICAL AT STANDPIPE	\$ 324.00
7876	U.S. CELLULAR	WATER CELL PHONE, WIFI	\$ 103.20
		WATER TOWER QUARTERLY MAINT	
7877	UTILITY SERVICE CO., INC.	STANDPIPE	\$ 2,141.62
7878	VILLAGE OF ELKHART LAKE	WATER AUGUST WAGES & BENEFITS; TAXES	\$ 21,959.45
7879	WISCONSIN PUBLIC SERVICE	WATER NATURAL GAS	\$ 25.87
		TOTAL WATER	\$ 46,730.66

(Rudnick/Schott) moved that the Water Utility vouchers be approved and paid as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The following TIF & CDA vouchers were presented to the Board for approval and payment:

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26525	DEMPSEY LAW FIRM, LLP	LEGAL GENERAL, TID 4 WOLF, GC/VAN HORN	\$ 5,710.25
26539	KAPUR & ASSOCIATES	ENGINEERING	\$ 3,930.25
26550	REGISTER OF DEEDS SHEB. CTY.	RECORDING FEES, COPIES	\$ 10.00
		TOTAL CDA/TID	\$ 9,650.50

(Schott/Bray) moved that the CDA & TIF vouchers be paid as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The following library and general vouchers were presented to the Board for approval and payment:

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26503	BOND TRUST SERVICES CORP	BONDS NM & STREETS 2015 \$1,100,000	\$	7,690.00
26504	CLEVELAND STATE BANK	LOAN BARRICADES & KRAUS LAND	\$	21,161.00
26505	MONARCH LIBRARY SYSTEM	LIBARRY EXP- CARD & KEY COMBO	\$	216.18
26506	MONTES, RACHEL	LIBRARY PROGRAMS CANDLES, BATTERIES	\$	56.62
26507	MONTES, RACHEL	REISSUE GENERAL CK#25636	\$	160.80
26508	NATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK & TRUST	SPLIT CREDIT CARD	\$	1,939.12
26509	PRECIOUS METALS GUNSMITHING, LLC	POLICE SILENCER K-9	\$	500.00
26510	SHEBOYGAN COUNTY TREASURER	COURT COUNTY ASSESSMENT	\$	7.22
26511	SUPERIOR CHEMICAL, LLC	PARKS CLEANER	\$	175.48
26512	SUPERIOR VISION INSURANCE	VISION INSURANCE	\$	158.25
26513	TASC	FSA ADMINISTRATION FEES	\$	37.43
26514	TRANSAMERICA LIFE INSURANCE CO	CRITICAL ILLNESS	\$	47.00
26515	U.S. CELLULAR	POLICE WIFI- 2021 SQUAD	\$	81.02
26516	WE ENERGIES	STREETS ELECTRICITY	\$	9,121.51
26517	WEDC	CDA CONNECT COMMUNITY FEE	\$	200.00
26518	BAKER & TAYLOR	LIBRARY BOOKS	\$	1,683.55
26519	CATALIS TAX & CAMA	REVALUATION INSTALLMENT #3	\$	6,225.00
26520	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET	\$	128.93
26521	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	FD, FR PHONE, INTERNET, CABLE	\$	287.48
26522	COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING	ED ALADA DEDAYDO	_	245.00
26522	COMPANY	FD ALARM REPAIRS	\$	345.00
26523	COMPLETE OFFICE OF WISCONSIN	LIBRARY, CLERK OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	198.07
26524	DEMCO, INC	LIBRARY- CD LABELS HEADPHONES, SHELVING	\$	3,354.80
26525	DEMPSEY LAW FIRM, LLP	LEGAL GENERAL, TID 4 WOLF, GC/VAN HORN	\$	389.00
26526	EICHHORST, LORI	CLEANING	\$	540.00

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26527	ELKHART LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT	FD 3RD QUARTER 2023	\$	13,984.90
26528	ELKHART LAKE WATER DEPARTMENT	Q3 2023 HYDRANT RENTAL, JOINT OP EXP	\$	32,133.25
26529	ELKHART LAKE-GLEN. SCHOOL DIST	CELL TOWER LEASE Q3 2023	\$	1,924.34
26530	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC	FR MASKS	\$	17.85
26531	ENDURACLEAN	PARKS, LIBRARY CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$	366.69
26532	EVENS PEST CONTROL	CHAMBER BUILDING REMOVE WASPS	\$	175.00
26533	FRONTIER	PHONE, INTERNET	\$	996.18
26534	GODBERT, JOHN	POLICE PARKING FINE REFUND OVERPAY	\$	30.00
26535	GPM INVESTMENTS	PW, PD, BOAT FUEL	\$	2,323.35
26536	HAWLEY, KAUFMAN & KAUTZER SC	POLICE LEGAL	\$	1,195.00
26537	JIMS GOLF CARS, INC	POLICE GOLF CAR RENTAL- SEPTEMBER	\$	450.00
26538	KANOPY LLC	LIBRARY ONLINE DATABASES	\$	500.00
26539	KAPUR & ASSOCIATES	ENGINEERING	\$	4,249.92
26540	KIEL ACE HARDWARE	STREETS- BUNGEE CORDS	\$	19.96
26541	MARY STARNITCKY	LIBRARY PROGRAMS	\$	122.14
26542	MIDWEST TAPE, LLC	LIBRARY VIDEOS	\$	150.68
26543	MIKE BURKART FORD	POLICE 2021 SQUAD OIL CHANGE, SHOCKS	\$	545.81
26544	MONTES, RACHEL	LIBRARY PROGRAMS COMPASSES	\$	30.93
26545	NEW HOLSTEIN TRUE VALUE	STREETS- CONCRETE GRINDER	\$	90.00
26546	NORTHERN MORAINE UTILITY	SEWAGE TREATMENT	\$	37,204.23
26547	OCCUPANT OF THE PROPERTY	LIBRARY PUZZLE TOURNAMENT PUZZLE,	_	20.00
26547	OOSTBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY	TROPHY	\$	30.00
26548	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE, INC.	STREETS TIRES FOR BACKHOE	\$ \$	4,484.00
26549	PROS 4 TECHNOLOGY, INC	IT SERVICES	-	2,755.20
26550	REGISTER OF DEEDS SHEB. CTY.	RECORDING FEES, COPIES	\$	60.00
26551	REILLY, JESSICA	PARKS- IDLER FOR GRAVELY	\$	31.65
26552	SAFETY KLEEN SYSTEMS, INC	SANITATION- WASTE OIL DISPOSAL	\$	55.00
26553 26554	SHEBOYGAN COUNTY TREASURER STATE OF WISCONSIN	COURT CO ASSESS COURT STATE ASSESSMENT	\$ \$	561.60 1,645.29
26555	U.S. CELLULAR	CELL PHONES, WIFI	<u> </u>	549.21
26556	WISCONSIN PUBLIC SERVICE	·	<u>э</u> \$	
26557	WITKOWSKI INSPECTION AGENCY, LLC	NATURAL GAS BUILDING INSPECTIONS	<u> </u>	186.16 700.00
26558	· ·		<u> </u>	
26559	WM CORPORATE SERVICES, INC. HARRYS PIZZA E VINO	REFUSE, RECYCLING, YARD WASTE COLLECTION	<u> </u>	9,058.79
26560	NOTARY BOND RENEWAL SERVICE	CDA SIGN GRANT CLERK EXP NOTARY BOND- REILLY	<u> </u>	1,675.00 30.00
26561	SHEBOYGAN COUNTY TREASURER	FR EMR REPORTS	<u> </u>	328.20
26562	VILLAGE OF ELKHART LAKE	3RD QTR FIRE STATION MAINTENANCE	<u> </u>	
26563		CLERK EXP NOTARY RENEWAL- REILLY		931.26
20303	WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL		\$	20.00
		TOTAL GENERAL & LIBRARY	\$	174,315.05

TOTAL PAYROLL

\$155,690.58

TOTAL SEP EXPENSE \$ 330,005.63

(Bray/Rudnick) moved and seconded to approve the general and library vouchers and pay as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously

(Rudnick/Bray) moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Jessica Reilly, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The following is the schedule for regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Elkhart Lake and **tentative** meetings of the Planning Commission and CDA:

MONDAY, October 16, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

MONDAY, November 6, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, November 8, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

MONDAY, November 20, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PLANNING COMMISSION

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Village of Elkhart Lake requests persons requiring auxiliary aids and service for participation in the above meeting contact the Clerk twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting. All meetings are held in the general meeting room of the Grashorn Memorial Civic Center, located at 84 North Lake St. in Elkhart Lake unless noted.

THE DEADLINE FOR BEING PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR ANY REGULAR BOARD MEETING WILL BE AT 5:00 P.M. ON THE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO THE REGULAR MEETING MONDAY AND ONE WEEK PRIOR TO A COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION MEETING.

The <u>Municipal Office</u> is located in the Grashorn Memorial Civic Center and is open on Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please call and make an appointment for special needs.

VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS

PRESIDENT: Richard Sadiq (POB 188) 876-3732
TRUSTEE: Geoff Bray (POB 736) 920-452-5397
TRUSTEE: Terri Knowles (POB 35) 876-3448
TRUSTEE: John Schott (913 Grassy Lane) 920-698-2480
TRUSTEE: Mike Wolf (POB 506) 920-207-2311
TRUSTEE: Lynn Shovan (POB 86) 920-207-4561
TRUSTEE: Paul Rudnick (POB 304) 920-946-8644

Property Tax Collection Information

The Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer has the responsibility of collecting the taxes for the State of Wisconsin, Sheboygan County, Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah Schools, LTC, and the Village of Elkhart Lake. Property tax bills are mailed out in **mid-December**, as soon as all the information is received from the various tax jurisdictions, compiled, and submitted to the Sheboygan County Treasurer's Office. **The first installment is due and payable to the Village of Elkhart Lake by January 31st of each year. The second installment is due and payable to the Sheboygan County Treasurer by July 31st of each year.**

If you have any questions regarding the tax bills or payment, please contact the Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer's Office at 920-876-2122.

Village-wide Revaluation Update

A revaluation is a village-wide review of all property assessments. Adjustments are made where necessary to guarantee that all property is assessed at market value. This ensures that taxes are distributed equitably. The State of Wisconsin sets standards that all communities in the State must be valued at 100% of market value or

be kept within 10% of that value. As the Village had fallen below these standards, we were out of compliance with State Statutes and were required to complete a revaluation.

Property values are increasing an average of 42%, but lake properties are seeing larger increases. Even though your property value may increase that does not automatically mean taxes will increase. The levy limit for the Village still remains the same. If you have questions on the value of your property, we request that you call Grota Appraisals at 262-253-1142.

BUILDING PERMIT REMINDER!

If you are planning a construction project on your home or business you must apply for a building permit. Permits must be obtained prior to commencement of work. Failure to do so will result in double the permit fees and may result



in a fine of up to \$1000. If you are unsure if your project requires a permit, please call the Clerk's Office at 920-876-2122

How Are Road Maintenance Decisions Made?

While it may seem that decisions regarding street maintenance are arbitrarily made, there is actually a system in place to help Village staff and the Public Works committee of the Board of Trustees make these decisions. They use the Wisconsin Information System for Local Roads (WISLR), an internet-accessible system that helps manage local road data to improve decision-making and meet state statute requirements. WISLR is also used to report local road information (such as width, surface type, surface year, shoulder, curb, road category, functional classification, and pavement condition ratings) to WisDOT. Pavement condition ratings are used to determine which streets are most in need of repairs such as crack filling, seal coating, grind and overlay or complete reconstruction.





Trick or Treating

Sunday, October 29th from 3-5 p.m.

At the Elkhart Lake Public Library:



General Capital/Van Horn Development

The Planning Commission and Village Board worked tirelessly to finish the development agreements for the apartment and townhouse development at 604 S. Lincoln Street (the old County property along Highway 67). A 50-unit apartment building will be built by General Capital and Van Horn will build 11 townhouse buildings. The townhouses will total 70 units. Earthwork began the first week of September, and if all continues to move on schedule, we can expect to see construction on building foundations starting sometime in October or November. As part of this development the Village will be installing curb and gutter and sidewalk/multi use path all the way to Badger Road. The Village is also requiring a playground to be included in this development. If you have questions or comments on the project, please contact Jessica Reilly at 920-876-2122 or clerk@elkhartlakewi.gov or reach out to a Village Board member.

A Reminder Regarding Grass Clippings!

The following information is from an article written by Brandon Reid, Manitowoc Herald Times Reporter.

It is unlawful to place grass clippings in village streets and alleys. When mowing your lawn, we ask that you direct the blower away from the street and clean up any grass clippings that end up there.

Grass clippings blown into Village streets can cause a lot of problems:

- Clippings can easily enter the storm sewer, which ends up in rivers and lakes.
- Grass clippings contain phosphorus, the nutrient that turns lakes green with algae. One
 bushel of fresh grass clippings can contain 0.1 pounds of phosphorus enough to produce
 30 to 50 pounds of algae growth if it finds its way to a lake or river.
- Grass clippings in streets also pose a risk to motorcyclists. Since grass is 85% water, it's slick, and driving over a slick surface can cause a motorcycle to lose traction.
- The clippings can also plug storm pipes and cause flooding, and clippings picked up by the Village street sweeper must be sent to the landfill, which can cost taxpayers money.

Try the following to keep grass clippings out of village streets:

- Leave grass clippings on the lawn.
- Direct grass clippings away from streets, driveways, sidewalks and other paved areas.
- Sweep up grass clippings and return them to the lawn.
- Set the lawn mower at a higher setting (more than 2.5 inches), letting shorter blades fall back onto the lawn as natural fertilizer.
- Sharpen mower blades every one to three years.
- Mow when your lawn needs it, not on a fixed schedule
- Mix grass clippings with leaves and soil to make a backyard compost pile.



Boating Regulations

1. A Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) in serviceable condition is required to be in the boat and accessible for each person in the boat.

2. A speed of "SLOW NO WAKE" is in effect all year long from 7:30 pm-10 am each day. "SLOW NO WAKE" is defined as the slowest possible speed at which a boat can operate while still maintaining steerage.

- 3. Maintain a speed of "SLOW NO WAKE" at all times when operating a motor boat between the shoreline and the NO WAKE buoys and within 100 feet of any craft at anchor, adrift or not operating under engine power.
- 4. No boat towing persons skiing, tubing or the like can come within 100 feet of swimmers, divers, rafts, other boats or restricted areas.
- 5. All boats engaged in towing skiers, tubers or persons in similar activities must have a competent person, other than the pilot, observing the towed person(s).
- 6. NO SUNDAY operation of motor driven boats, beginning the 2nd Sunday of June and ending the 3rd Sunday of September. Note: Only electric trolling motors allowed.
- 7. There is a radar-enforced speed limit of 35 m.p.h. on the water.
- 8. A counter-clockwise course should be maintained while water-skiing, jet skiing, etc., and during the times of high-volume boat activity.



A complete listing of Elkhart Lake and the State of Wisconsin Boating Rules Regulations and Statutes is available at the Village Office in Elkhart Lake.



Railroad Right-of-Way

The railroad tracks running through the Village have become a popular location for family photos, graduation photos, and selfies. **Taking photos on the railroad tracks or the right-of-way is both dangerous and illegal.** In most areas, including within Village limits, the railroad owns 50 feet each way from the center of the tracks. The only places it is legal to access railroad property is at a designated pedestrian or roadway crossing. The Federal Railroad Administration reminds people to "Always Expect a Train!" and to keep these tips in mind when crossing tracks:

- Trains do not follow a set schedule, so they can come at any time of day from either direction.
- A train traveling at 55 MPH can take more than a mile to stop.
- Trains overhang railroad tracks by three feet or more on either side. Even when you are not standing directly on the tracks, you risk being hit by a train by being on railroad property.
- Despite their size, trains are relatively quiet and do not always sound warning horns when approaching a crossing.
- Never attempt to walk under, around or between train cars, even when a train is at a complete stop.

For more safety tips, view FRA's railroad website - https://www.fra.dot.gov

Outdoor Warning Sirens



1. What does it mean when I hear the outdoor warning sirens?

In short, it means that something life-threatening is happening and you should go indoors and get more information.

- **2. What should I do when I hear the outdoor warning sirens?** When the sirens are heard, go inside and tune to local media to get more information.
- **3.** Why can't I hear the outdoor warning sirens in my house? Sirens are an outdoor warning system designed only to alert those who are outside that something dangerous is approaching.

4. How can I get alerts when I'm at work or in my house?

For alerts indoors, every home and business should have a <u>NOAA Weather Radio All-Hazards</u>. NOAA Weather Radio is like a smoke detector for severe weather, and it can wake you up when a warning is issued for your area so you can take appropriate action.

5. When are outdoor warning sirens tested?

Sirens are tested according to local community or state policies. In Sheboygan County, this is every other Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.

6. Why don't the outdoor warning sirens sound an all-clear signal?

People should be indoors and monitoring local media for updates on the storm.

7. Will the outdoor warning sirens warn me of every dangerous storm?

The safest approach is to be proactive and use all the information available to protect yourself and your family from threatening weather. Nothing can replace common sense. If a storm is approaching, the lightning alone is a threat. Sirens are only one part of a warning system that includes preparation, NOAA Weather Radio, and local media.

8. Who activates the outdoor warning sirens?

All Sheboygan County sirens are activated by County Dispatch personnel when directed to do so by the National Weather Service.

Additional Resources:

https://www.weather.gov/safety/tornado

https://www.noaa.gov/weather

https://www.noaa.gov/weather



Noise Ordinance Changes

These changes only affect the stationary noise limits and do not pertain to other areas of the ordinance which address noise from construction, lawn maintenance activities, snow blowing, and other non-construction maintenance equipment. The revisions also provide an exemption to the Sunday noise limits. The Village Board approved these changes at its meeting on June 5th:

(4) Stationary Noise Limits.

(a) Noise from a stationary source shall not exceed the following standards for maximum sound pressure levels measured at the property line or in the case of music the noise level will be taken at 125 feet from the speakers from Monday - Saturday.

Zone 7 A.M. to 10 P.M. 10 P.M. to 7 A.M.

Residential 75 dBA 65 dBA

Commercial 82-dBA 77 dBA 70-dBA 68 dBA All Other Zones 82-dBA 77 dBA 70-dBA 68 dBA

(b) Noise from a stationary source shall not exceed the following standards for maximum sound pressure levels measured at the property line <u>or in the case of music the noise level will be taken at 125 feet from the speakers</u> on Sundays.

Zone 7 A.M. to 10 P.M. 10 P.M. to 7 A.M.

Residential 75-dBA 65 dBA 65 dBA

Commercial 82-dBA 68 dBA 70-dBA 68 dBA All Other Zones 82-dBA 68 dBA 70-dBA 68 dBA

(d) On Sundays when the noise levels are the same in the day and nighttime hours a special permit to exceed the decibel levels can be applied for from the Village Board. This regulation will not apply to Sundays that are prior to a legal holiday, sections (a) & (c) will apply.

Pay your water bill automatically! Call the Village Clerk's Office at 920-876-2122 for more information.



The Village is continually testing its water for contaminants. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amounts of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Elkhart Lake Water Utility annually files a report about the water quality in the Village. The 2021 Consumer Confidence Report is available to view online or via paper copy.

To view it online visit www.elkhartlakewi.gov/departments/water.

To obtain a paper copy, please stop in at the Clerk's Office at 40 Pine Street, call 876-2122 or email clerk@elkhartlakewi.gov.



Water Rate Increase Effective October 1, 2023

The Village Board has approved a water rate increase effective October 1, 2023.

The new rates will be as follows:

Quarterly Service Charges:

5/8 – inch meter: \$20.233 – inch meter: \$117.073/4 – inch meter: \$20.234 – inch meter: \$177.361 – inch meter: \$24.836 – inch meter: \$248.311 1/4 – inch meter: \$31.928 – inch meter: \$319.261 1/2 – inch meter: \$39.0210 – inch meter: \$390.202 – inch meter: \$63.8512 – inch meter: \$461.15

Plus Volume Charges:

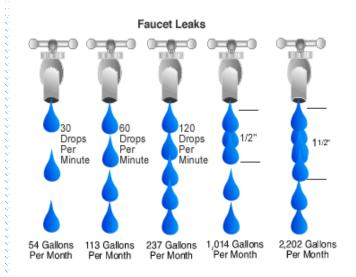
First 3,000 cubic feet used each quarter: \$2.18 per 100 cubic feet Next 17,000 cubic feet used each quarter: \$1.88 per 100 cubic feet Next 30,000 cubic feet used each quarter: \$1.52 per 100 cubic feet Over 50,000 cubic feet used each quarter: \$1.17 per 100 cubic feet

Please contact the Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer's Office at (920) 876-

2122 or clerk@elkhartlakewi.gov if you have questions related to water or sewer billing.

Sewer Rate Increase Effective January 1, 2024

Effective January 1, 2024, sewer consumption rates will increase from \$7.15 per 100 cubic feet to \$7.55 per 100 cubic feet. The increase is due to Northern Moraine increasing rates, so in turn we need to increase our rates. If you have any questions please contact the Clerk's Office at 920-876-2122.



You may not realize how a small leak can be costly. Below is an image that shows that a faucet dripping only 30 drops per minute can mean that 54 gallons are lost a month. If you have a leaking toilet that is leaking at ¼ gallon per minute, it can use 10,800 gallons per month and can cost over \$125 in water and sewer charges in one month in the Village of Elkhart Lake. If you suspect your toilet is running or leaking you can contact the public works department and they can check for a leaking toilet. If you have any questions, please call 920-876-2122.



Let's Talk Trees!

The urban forest is a vital part of village life. It provides environmental, economic, aesthetic, and health benefits.

The Village of Elkhart Lake is a 23-year Tree City based on these qualifications: maintaining a Tree Commission, having a community tree ordinance, spending \$2.00 per capita on our urban forest, and celebrating Arbor Day with our 5th graders. Pat Robison, Frank Thielman, Anne Hatas, Steve Kapellen, and John Schott are our tree commissioners with Katrina Weir, Village Deputy Clerk, as the community liaison.

The commission is responsible for stewardship of the village park and parkway trees working with our public works department to coordinate tree planting, removal, replacement, and maintenance. Other projects include providing information to the community about the impact of the urban forest, long term planning, and the 5th grade arbor day artwork and tree planting events. In 2023 the Commission is focusing on working together with the community to protect and maintain village trees.

Beautification Committee

The Beautification Committee and Public Works crew have been hard at work throughout the Village planting and maintaining our gardens. Beautification Committee Volunteers are residents of both the village and the Town of Rhine. We have also hired a part-time public works

employee who helps maintain our parks and gardens. Thanks for making our Village look great. If you would like to volunteer to maintain gardens call Jessica at 876-2122.



YARD WASTE DUMPSTER

The dumpster at the Village Garage is open for yard waste disposal. There is signage to direct you to the appropriate dumpster. Do not leave plastic bags in or around the dumpsters. Please remember that this dumpster is for yard waste only, not lake waste! Yard waste, leaves, brush, garden debris, etc., will not be picked up curbside. A truck for large brush or trees can be obtained by calling the Village Garage at 876-2231.

Garbage Collection Holiday Schedule 2023

Memorial Day – Tuesday, May 30, 2023
Independence Day – Normal Monday Pick up
Labor Day- Tuesday, September 5, 2023
Thanksgiving Day – Normal Monday Pick up
Christmas Day – Tuesday, December 26, 2023
New Year's Day – Tuesday, January 2, 2024

Garbage Collection Issues

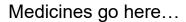
Please call Waste Management at 1-888-960-0008 if you have any questions, they miss your pick-up, or for repairs to carts. Make sure to use our Customer ID# 82300982379. Then please call the Clerk's office at 920-876-2122 and let us know. There have been some issues with the transition to Waste Management and the Village is trying to keep track of the issues people are experiencing.

Household Hazardous Waste

Sheboygan County has established three (potentially four) periodic collection sites for disposing of hazardous wastes. The majority of the program is funded with County tax dollars, so be prepared to show proof of residency. When those funds are depleted, the sites will be closed until funds are again available. The fees are: \$15 – Vehicles with hazardous waste only, \$40 – Vehicles with household size electronics only (for each 6 items), and \$40 – Vehicles with both hazardous waste and household size electronics (for each 6 electronic items). For more information on the days, times, and locations please visit https://www.sheboygancounty.com/home/showpublisheddocument/17380/637804434735600000.

From the Elkhart Lake Police Department:







Please do not put medications in the Police Drop Box on the outside of the Village Hall. The Police Department has a secure medications drop box located in the lobby of the police department. It is available to have any pill medications dropped during normal business hours. This program is in cooperation with the Sheboygan County Planning Department and is intended to keep old harmful medications from entering our water supply. Any old medications can be dropped off in the box and will be disposed of without charge. Medications should be removed from their containers so medicine only goes in. This means no packaging (bottles, blister packages, etc.) should go into the box. Also very important: please do not place any other medical waste, syringes, or liquids in the drop box. Any questions, please contact us at 920-876-2244.

Attention Dog Owners:

Dogs Need to be Leashed and are Prohibited from Village Parks & the Beach

Lately there has been an increase in the number of complaints the Village has been receiving relating to dogs. This is a reminder that dogs need to be leashed when they are off your property. The dog must be under the control of an attendant holding a leash a maximum of 8 feet when off the owner's premise.

It is unlawful for a dog to be within *any public park or beach or the fireman's park or beach* except as provided in the Village of Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah Athletic Association Park rules and regulations (1)b14.

VILLAGE ORDINANCE 8.27: It shall be unlawful for any person who owns, harbors, or keeps a dog to permit such dogs to **run at large** any time of year within the Village limits. Any dog which is off the premises of its owner or keeper must be under the control of an **attendant holding a leash**, maximum of 8 feet. Any dog on owner's premise which is not leashed (15 feet maximum), fenced in, or under control of an attendant would be considered running at large.

VILLAGE ORDINANCE 8.29: Any person owning or having control of any animal shall **clean up** the feces of such animal immediately and dispose of it in a sanitary manner when the animal has defecated on the property of another or on **public property**. The Village has installed Dog Refuse Stations throughout the Village to help in the cleanup effort. The stations are located:

- At the North and South ends of the Lake Street Walkway
- near Village Square Park
- on South Lake Street near Elm Street
- on Osthoff Avenue
- at Lions Park
- on East Rhine Street near Charlene's
- on East Rhine Street near Cal & Gus.