

**REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE OF DE SOTO
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025**

The De Soto Village Board held their regular meeting on Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the De Soto Village Hall. Village President Timothy Gillespie called the regular board meeting to order with roll call as follows: Tim Gillespie-. present, Scott DuCharme-present, Mitchell Schiffer-present. Carrie Brudos-clerk.

Motion made by Scott DuCharme and seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to approve the October 13, 2025 Regular Board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Scott DuCharme and seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to approve the October 13, 2025 Public Hearing meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Scott DuCharme and seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Tom Head was recognized. He enquired on whether or not the Beeman's are operating a business on American Heritage. Tom Head also asked about two houses on one parcel. It needs to be split per our ordinance. Timothy Gillespie will meet with the Beeman's to discuss these topics. Kari Sanding was recognized. The Annual Halloween Party at the Community Center had 150-200 people. Gary's Pest Control will be called for a mouse problem.

Public comment time closed.

Motion made by Mitchell Schiffer, seconded by Scott DuCharme to approve the October 25 (check#26628-26649) general bills. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mitchell Schiffer, seconded by Scott DuCharme to approve the October 25 (check#10755-10766) sewer bills. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

SEWER/MAINTENANCE: Nothing to report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The financial statements were reviewed. Motion made by Mitchell Schiffer seconded by Scott DuCharme to approve the financial statements. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Nothing to report

PARK COMMITTEE: Steve will be asked about the public bathrooms.

LIBRARY: Kari Sanding was present and reported. Circulation=405, 5 new patrons, 20 computer users. There was Fiber Art, Apple Tasting, Pumpkin Painting, Pen Pals and Amanda Zieba event.

CEMETERY: Nothing to report

JOINT SHARING COMMITTEE: Nothing to report

ZONING: Tom Ghelf wants to change zoning on his property.

LONG RANGE PLANNING:

Road Improvements: Nothing to report

Recycling Center Building: Nothing to report

Bird City Wisconsin – The Bird City event at Prairie View Elementary was a huge success on October 20.

Recreational Opportunity Committee – Nothing to report

Mill Park Bridge Replacement – See Old Business, Item C.

Tourism Commission-Gary Mulford is stepping down as president of the tourism commission.

Boat Landing – Nothing to report

Law Enforcement –Nothing to report

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

TIMOTHY GILLESPIE: Nothing to report

SCOTT DUCHARME: Scott asked when the light poles were going up in the park.

MITCHELL SCHIFFER: Nothing to report

CLERK: Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS:

A. VIEW LETTERS TO ORDINANCE VIOLATORS

1. Property owner at 1093 Main St- Monitoring
2. Property owner at 168 S Mill Park Dr.-Clean up and unregistered vehicles are being monitored.
3. Property owner at 625 Ridge St –
4. Property owner at 635 Ridge St –
5. Property owner at 272 American Heritage Rd – Monitoring.
6. Property owner at 1042 Main St- Monitoring
7. Property owner at 474 Main St and 502 Wall St – Monitoring.
8. Property owner at 145 and 165 Main St – Timothy Gillespie will talk to the owner.
9. Property owner at 222 Mill Park Dr – Timothy Gillespie will talk to the owner.
10. Property owner at 816 S Treadwell St-

B. JAMEY MAKEPEACE ENGINEERING-SEWER PLANT GRANT UPDATE

We will have a special meeting to discuss the sewer project with Jamey Makepeace.

- C. DISCUSS/REVIEW MILL PARK DR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT STATUS**
Nothing new to report.
- D. DISCUSSION ON CHANGING CLERK/TREASURER POSITION FROM ELECTED TO APPOINTED.**
The clerk will get the update on this topic.
- E. DISCUSSION ON RENEWING CONTRACT WITH PETERSON, ANTOINE AND PETERSON S.C.**
Thomas Peterson needs to raise the rate from \$95 to \$200 an hour. We will renew the contract with Peterson, Antoine and Peterson S.C. at \$200 an hour. Motion made by Scott DuCharme, seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to renew the contract with Peterson, Antoine and Peterson S.C. at \$200 an hour. Motion carried.
- F. REVIEW/APPROVE BIDS FOR A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT (2026-2030) FOR GARBAGE AND RECYCLING.**
Confirm whether or not this bid includes tote which are hands free. Put on next agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. REVIEW 2026 BUDGET FOR GENERAL AND SEWER**
The two budgets were discussed and reviewed.
- B. CHRIS HARDIE – 7 RIVERS ALLIANCE**
We will have Chris Hardie come to the December regular meeting.
- C. REVIEW/APPROVE 2025 DE SOTO FIRE RUNS**
Motion made by Scott DuCharme, seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to approve the 2025 De Soto Fire Runs pending confirmation on one of the Fire Department members. Motion carried.
- D. RECOMMENDATION FROM PLAN COMMISSION: SITE/BUILDING APPLICATION FOR AN 8' X 22' DECK: MITCHELL SCHIFFER, 223 MAIN ST, DE SOTO WI 54624**
- E. RECOMMENDATION FROM PLAN COMMISSION: SITE/BUILDING RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR AN 5' X 15' DECK: MITCHELL SCHIFFER, 223 MAIN ST, DE SOTO WI 54624**

Motion made by Scott DuCharme, seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to set the next regular board meeting for Tuesday, December 2, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.
Motion made by Scott DuCharme, seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to set the 2026 Public Budget Hearing for Tuesday, December 2, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.
Motion made by Mitchell Schiffer seconded by Scott DuCharme to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Carrie Brudos, Village Clerk.