

**REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE OF DE SOTO
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025**

The De Soto Village Board held their regular meeting on Tuesday, December 2, 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-excused absence, Mitchell Schiffer-present. Carrie Brudos-clerk.

Motion made by Mitchell Schiffer and seconded by Timothy Gillespie to approve the November 4, 2025 Regular Board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mitchell Schiffer and seconded by Timothy Gillespie to approve the agenda with removing Old Business, Item E. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

No one present for Public Comment Time.

Public comment time closed.

Motion made by Mitchell Schiffer, seconded by Timothy Gillespie to approve the November 25 (check#26650-26674) general bills. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mitchell Schiffer, seconded by Timothy Gillespie to approve the November 25 (check#10767-10777) sewer bills. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

SEWER/MAINTENANCE: Nothing to report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The financial statements and meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion made by Timothy Gillespie seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to approve the financial statements and meeting minutes. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY CENTER: The mouse problem has been taken care of.

PARK COMMITTEE: Discussion on the light poles.

LIBRARY: Santa is coming December 13.

CEMETERY: Nothing to report

JOINT SHARING COMMITTEE: Nothing to report

ZONING: See New Business, Item E.

LONG RANGE PLANNING:

Road Improvements: Nothing to report

Recycling Center Building: Nothing to report

Bird City Wisconsin – Nothing to report

Recreational Opportunity Committee – Nothing to report

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

Tourism Commission-Nothing to report.

Boat Landing – Nothing to report

Law Enforcement –Nothing to report

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

TIMOTHY GILLESPIE: Discussion on letter concerning Arneson and discussion on Lawson property.

SCOTT DUCHARME: We will monitor Beeman property.

MITCHELL SCHIFFER: We will get Chris Hardie to the next meeting.

CLERK: The village received a \$1,000.00 grant from Crawford County Community Fund for the mural project.

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- Needs another notice.

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.**
In progress.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. CHRIS HARDIE – 7 RIVERS ALLIANCE**
We will have Chris Hardie come to the next regular meeting.
- B. DISCUSSION/APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH DE SOTO AREA TOURISM COMMISSION FOR AIRBNB AND VRBO.**
Kari Beeman provided information for the MOU with De Soto Area Tourism Commission for AIRBNB and VRBO. Motion carried.
- C. FINALIZE RAFFLE TICKETS FOR MURAL FUNDRAISER**
Discussion on raffle tickets for mural fundraiser.
- D. SET THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST DATE**
The Christmas lighting contest will be December 21st beginning at 5:00 pm.
- E. RECOMMENDATION FROM PLAN COMMISSION: PROPOSAL FOR PROPERTY SEPARATION BETWEEN LUTHERAN CHURCH AND PARSONAGE**
The De Soto Village Board will agree to a parcel split with an easement, between De Soto Lutheran Church and De Soto Parsonage.
- F. REVIEW/APPROVE OPERATOR’S LICENSE: TANISHA MESSER**
Motion made by Timothy Gillespie, seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to approve an operator’s license for Tanisha Messer. Motion carried.
- G. APPOINT SCOTT GELZER TO LIBRARY TRUSTEE BOARD**
Timothy Gillespie appointed Scott Gelzer as Library Board Trustee for the one-year remaining term of Wil Fryer’s term who resigned.
- H. APPOINT ELECTION INSPECTORS FOR 2026-2027 CYCLE.**
Appointment of Joel Greiner, Jean Sandry, Marilyn Redenbaugh, Shirley Mulford, Dawn Meyer and Amy Nofsinger for January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2027 term was approved.

Motion made by Mitchell Schiffer, seconded by Timothy Gillespie to set the next regular board meeting for Tuesday, January 6, 2026 at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.

Motion made by Timothy Gillespie seconded by Mitchell Schiffer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Carrie Brudos, Village Clerk.