

Village of Rudolph
Minutes of October 14, 2025

Present: President Whipple, Trustee Reid, Trustee Whipple, Trustee Steinle and Treasurer Joanna Mack Excused: Trustee Larsen and Clerk Kristina Rebarchek

Meeting called to order by President Whipple at 6pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the September minutes: Trustee Whipple made a motion to accept as typed, seconded by Trustee Reid; carried unanimously.

Reading of the bills by Treasurer Joanna Mack: Trustee Steinle made a motion to approve as typed, seconded by Trustee Whipple; carried unanimously.

Village Concerns: Sue Nigon had concerns with the property on the corner of Hwy 34 and Main Street. President Whipple updated that Dairy State owns it and they are having an issue with squatters. The house will be torn down once the issues are addressed. Donna Reichert mentioned the truck noise has improved.

Old Business:

Chemical Building – Trustee Reid updated on a quote for a new meter pump to pump fluids into the system. There are two options, \$1712 and \$1847.45, based on the flow we need. A transfer pump is also needed for \$787.43. Trustee Steinle made a motion to approve up to \$1850 for a meter and approve the transfer pump price, seconded by Trustee Whipple; carried unanimously.

Splash Pad – Trustee Steinle recapped the water concerns and the very high price to do a recirculatory system. An email was sent to the Legacy Foundation asking how to proceed and if we could convert the money to another project. We are waiting for the Legacy Foundation update.

Cheese Factory – President Whipple updated on a meeting the village officials had with the cheese factory. With the expansion they will be utilizing some village property to park on and alleviate parking off main street. They have assured us they want to be good neighbors and remain in good communication. They asked us to reach out whenever we need assistance/clarification. Kevin shared the water recycling system they are working on and how they will achieve recycled water from the milk when it is complete being less dependent on Rudolph water/wells. The cheese factory did share that they have access to an agriculture grant that can assist with road improvements. We will research this option.

Solar Ordinance – Trustee Whipple typed the old ordinance to include solar. Trustee Steinle made a motion to accept the new ordinance, seconded by Trustee Reid; carried unanimously.

New Business:

Anonymous Letters – Update on people sending unsigned letters of complaints. Our preference to address concerns is that they talk with their neighbor/issue and if unresolved, fill out a complaint form (found on the website) and turn it in for the Ordinance Officer to follow up on.

E-waste Recycling – Trustee Steinle shared a computer/E-waste recycling event that the Village of Arpin was doing. Trustee Steinle will follow up with the company that sent the letter to schedule a date

Rudolph River Rovers – At last month’s meeting RRR asked to use the Village roads as part of the snowmobile trail as done in the past. President Whipple made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Whipple; carried unanimously.

Village Land – Dairy State would like to buy land from the Village for access to their new wastewater recycling center. A discussion was held, and we would prefer not to sell any land and rather offer easements off Ponds Road.

Sewer increase - Discussion regarding what the new sewer price would be. Via email, Clerk Rebarchek recalled a 20% increase 4 years ago. Trustee Steinle did not feel comfortable suggesting numbers without more detail on upcoming projects, etc. We will add to the November agenda to finalize rates.

Country Christmas – Trustee Steinle shared the previous year’s event she is appointed by the Village as Chair which then allows the event to use the Village insurance to cover the event. She asked to be appointed event chair for the December 13, 2025, event. Trustee Whipple made a motion to appoint Trustee Steinle as chair, seconded by Trustee Reid; carried unanimously.

Village Email – Trustee Reid brought up having official (and separate from personal) email addresses. It would be \$48/per user per year to host the address through Microsoft. Discussion around the subject that it most likely needs to happen for security and to keep personal emails separate. Treasurer Joanna Mack shared that it would not be an easy process on her end with all the State and local emails she receives. Christy will reach out to Solarus and ask if they will assist with that.

Heater in the Park – Trustee Larsen was excused and did not have an update. Tony Konkol updated that the heater is broken and only works intermittently. Trustee Steinle made a motion to authorize up to \$500 for new heater, seconded by Trustee Reid; carried unanimously.

Deflector for snowplow - Tabled till November meeting

Drainage in the Ag Building – Tabled till November meeting.

Generator pad – pad was lifted at the Hwy C site, and all is well.

Trick or treat – Friday, October 31 4:30-6:30pm

Welcome Sign – Lynn Bushmaker asked about removing shrubs on the north end of town. They are dying and making other landscaping work difficult around them. Tony will remove them. Trustee Whipple updated on new signs - Pittsville high School makes metal signs but took on too much work. Our project could be considered for next year.

November Agenda:

Sewer Rates

Village Emails

Complaint Form Acceptance

Snowplow Deflector

Drainage for Ag Building

Tree removal from park

Trustee Whipple made a motion to adjourn, carried by Trustee Steinle; carried unanimously.
Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Christy Steinle - Village Trustee