

Village of Rudolph Minutes of September 9th, 2025

Board Members Present:	Trustee Erin Whipple Trustee Rich Larsen Trustee Darren Reid Treasurer Joanna Mack
	President Kevin Whipple Clerk Kristina Rebarchek Trustee Christy Steinle

Meeting called to order by President Whipple at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Steinle moved to approve August minutes as typed, seconded by Trustee Whipple; carried unanimously.

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

Public Comments/Concerns:

- ❖ Village Street Parking-Barb Ziebell said there are cars parking in front of her garbage bins on Friday mornings the garbage man does still manage to get her garbage, however can we have her curbs painted as well? Yes, we can paint the curb there and the few other houses right around the business area on Main St.
- ❖ Stashek-There are some dogs in the corner that are barking non-stop. If one dog barks then it makes any other dogs that are outside bark and it is a continuation. Call Darren, our ordinance officer so he can address the issue and hopefully find a resolution.
- ❖ Rudolph River Rover Snowmobile club added to next month's agenda.
- ❖ There is a sign on both sides of the Village about no jake braking, there are a few trucks that come through still that are continuously using their jake brakes. Mark was going to send a letter to the few trucking companies-since then Mark has left the Cheese Factory. If you notice any patterns or certain times-call the sheriffs office and they can have someone sit there to monitor.

Old Business:

- Feed Mill-Luke sent a letter to Mr.Fisher-they have 6 months to get it in order or we can pursue court; the letter went out Aug 25th.
- Chemical building-Chemicals are on order-we did not know it was going to take weeks for it to arrive, we have the drums coming instead of totes for right now. We have to decide on how to store these chemicals. If we store it in the AG building there is no space currently for semis to turn around or to deliver anything. There are storage containers that would be cost effective, however those are not allowed in the Village for residential purposes, it would be an option as it is zoned commercial. A cement pad would have to be put down, or steel. For right now we are going to have to keep them in the ag building, Trustee Reid is going to have to get a transfer pump and we are getting some numbers for a

new dousing pump as it is not putting enough chemicals in the system. Curt Atwood was sent a message to come look at the alarms that keep going off on the sewer system, waiting to hear back from him.

- Splash pad-We would not have the capacity on the wells or two wells, so we are looking at a closed loop system and then we have to have a certified pool operator there. We have to see what that cost would look like since we are already invested into this project, before we say no and see what else we could do with this grant.
- Humane Society-Denese from South Wood Co Humane Society, right now for us it is \$100/yr-if we signed a contract before January it would be pro-rated, they take the average number of animals and calculate that with their numbers and average it out. At this point we do not feel like we have to contract with them.
- Recycling/Garbage-WM representative appeared tonight. (Q)Are there any major changes to what is happening? NO. Harters pricing was \$19.50/mo with the option of trash and recycling being collected weekly. Waste Management pricing was \$18.15/mo with trash weekly and recycling every other week with the offer of an additional recycling cart at no charge to be picked up every other week. Trustee Steinle would prefer to stay with WM as we already have their bins, they donate and support Country Christmas. CPI for waste management is 5% or whichever is greater (last year it was right at 5%, this year is trending at that rate as well) Harters did not have a cap for CPI-just states based on the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers. Motion made to stick with WM and sign the 5-year contract by Trustee Steinle, seconded by Trustee Reid; carried unanimously.
- Cheese Factory-They are spending a lot of money on chemicals to try to prevent the smell, they are laying out their plans to engineer for the new treatment plant. We can contact Luke, the attorney and have him draft a letter since it is a nuisance. They have replaced Mark with someone new, he is there but he is not taking any calls currently.

New Business:

- Lagoon System-Reid went down to the lagoon. There is a lot of old equipment in the building that has just been sitting there for about 15 years. Do we want to consider doing something with the site? Are we ever going to use this area again? We should look into cleaning that area up-there are a lot of blue prints there for the sewer. We should start emptying the building and getting rid of stuff inside of it to clean it up and go from there.
- Rezoning-Public Meeting Wednesday Sep 17th 6pm for the rezoning of Hartjes and Peters. Ag is 3 acre minimum and the one part is only .5 acre in reference to Peters property-the shed lot is the only part being rezoned so that it can be combined with the house lot.

- Sewer Insert-We are going to add Darren's information to the sewer insert for the ordinance officer.
- Budget Meeting- Thursday October 16th 6pm.
- Board of Review & Open Book-Board of Review is November 11th 4p-6p (Regular meeting will be at 6:30pm) Open Book dates-Wednesday 10/29 3p-5p, Thursday 10/30 5p-7p, Monday 11/3 4p-6p, Wednesday 11/5 10am-12pm.

Agenda requests

- Rudolph River Rover
- Chemical Building
- Sewer Rates-increase for garbage
- Country Christmas
- Village e-mails
- Heater in park
- Deflector for snow plow
- Drainage in Ag building
- Generator pad

Trustee Steinle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 pm, seconded by Trustee Larsen; carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristina Rebarchek, Village Clerk