

**VILLAGE OF AVISTON
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON:
MONDAY JANUARY 6, 2025**

The regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was held on Monday January 6, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall. In attendance were Village President Mike Kampwerth, Village Clerk Jennifer Jansen, Trustees Kevin Eversgerd, Matt Kohnen, Curt Albers, Kim Peek, Matt Netemeyer and Kyle Markus. Employees present included Tony Falconio and Dave Trame. Guests present included Mike Engel with Aviston Zoning Board and Lou Keil.

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. GUESTS:

Lou Keil was present to hear the discussion regarding solar farms. Lou also stated that Paul Irby will be present at the February meeting to further discuss the current project near Linden Grove Road.

2. MINUTES:

Minutes of the previous meetings were available for all to review. A motion to approve the special meeting minutes from December 2nd was made by Matt Netemeyer, second by Matt Kohnen. Motion carried 6-0. A motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from December 2nd, was made by Curt Albers, second by Kevin Eversgerd. Motion carried 6-0. A motion to approve the closed session minutes of December 2nd and to keep them closed was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Kevin Eversgerd. Motion carried 6-0. A motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting from December 19th was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Kyle Markus. Motion carried 6-0.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Steve Goesteniors was unavailable for the meeting but did leave notes as follows:

October marks the 8 month point (67%) of the fiscal year.

Page 2 – Overall Cash Position

- 1) Collected \$170K and disbursed \$222K
- 2) Water Tower loan payment of \$55K was main reason for deficit in December.
- 3) 3rd Real Estate Tax installment received from the county for GF, TIF #1, and 3.

Page 2a – Year-to-date activity

- 1) Collected 1.955 million and disbursed 1.668 million
- 2) Total cash of all funds is \$3,010,267

Page 4 – General Fund

- 1) YTD surplus of nearly \$57K in the General Fund
- 2) Income tax pace = \$398K vs budget of \$383K
- 3) Sales tax pace = \$294K vs budget of \$285K
- 4) Use tax pace = \$83K vs budget of \$90K

5) Expenses

- a. Paid January 2025 garbage payment at end of December. (Early)
- b. Insurance for GF, WF, and SF paid in December.
- c. Public property mainly Koerkenmeier garage door payment.
- d. Vehicle Repairs for backhoe.

Page 5 – Water Fund

- 1) YTD surplus of \$4K. (Good result considering loan payment just made in Dec.)
- 2) Revenue on pace = \$655K vs budget of \$635K

Page 6 – Sewer Fund

- 1) YTD surplus of \$81K in the Sewer Fund
- 2) Sewer Income on pace for \$298K vs budget of \$315K.
- 3) All expenses in line but did have insurance payment as noted above.

Page 7 – Park Fund

- 1) Park fund is slight deficit due to soccer park.
- 2) Park expenses for soccer park.

Page 7 -MFT

- 1) Normal receipt from state
- 2) On pace to hit \$107K in MFT receipts for the year vs. \$103K.

Pages 8, 9, and 10 – TIF Funds, etc.

- 1) 3rd Installment of real estate taxes received for two TIF funds.

A motion to approve the financial report and to pay all bills, including those normal monthly bills not yet received, was made by Kevin Eversgerd, second by Matt Netemeyer. Motion carried 6-0.

4. POLICE REPORT:

The police report was present for all to review.

Tony went over the new report present and asked for feedback.

5. PARK DISTRICT:

No minutes available.

6. VILLAGE CLERK:

A copy of the report was available in everyone's packet for review.

-Ord. for One-Way Sign on N Cleveland Street – A motion to approve this ordinance was made by Curt Albers, second by Kyle Markus. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote as follows:

K. Eversgerd – aye

K. Peek – aye

M. Kohnen – aye

M. Netemeyer – aye

C. Albers – aye

K. Markus – aye

-Ord. for Two-Direction Arrow at Adams & Schumacher and E. First & Schumacher – A motion to approve this ordinance was made by Curt Albers, second by Kevin Eversgerd. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote as follows:

K. Eversgerd – aye
M. Kohnen – aye
C. Albers – aye

K. Peek – aye
M. Netemeyer – aye
K. Markus – aye

7. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

-TIF, The County – Kevin state the contract has been emailed to Clint Flowers and a hard copy has been left with Mike Kampwerth for signature.

8. CURRENT PROJECTS:

-Committee Updates – Matt Kohnen stated that employee committee is still seeking out a Treasurer for the Village with no luck.

-Elm Street Drainage - Matt Netemeyer stated the Elm Street waiting for Clearwave before anything more can be done. Clearwave has been contacted.

-Russland Road – Matt Netemeyer stated he spoke with Blair Bone and at this time, the Village is waiting on her.

-Eastbrook Drainage – HMG is working on this.

-Kues Property Drainage Easement – HMG is also working on this.

9. ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

Minutes of the Zoning Board meeting were in everyone's packet for review.

Mike Engel also stated that the Zoning Board is not at all interested in revising their Comprehensive Plan pertaining to solar farms.

10. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

Dave stated that he has no report today as it has been quite busy. All agreed that the maintenance guys have done a great job, several members of the public called in to the same. Koerkenmeier garage is moving along. The next portion to tackle will be the bathroom, water and sewer taps as well as lighting.

Dave stated the hydraulic line busted in one of the trucks while plowing.

11. OLD BUSINESS:

-Christmas Party – A good turnout at Lantern.

12. NEW BUSINESS:

-Feldmann Property Resolution – A motion to approve the resolution for Feldmann Property was made by Kevin Eversgerd, second by Kyle Markus. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote as follows:

K. Eversgerd – aye
M. Kohnen – aye
C. Albers – aye

K. Peek – aye
M. Netemeyer – aye
K. Markus – aye

-Garbage Related Issues – Mike discussed the issues with a property in Lin-Rose Estates that sets out a lot of garbage. There have also been discussions regarding our current contract versus the new contract.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kevin Eversgerd, second by Kyle Markus. Motion carried 6-0. Time was 7:48pm.

Jennifer Jansen, Village Clerk