

Village of Weston, Wisconsin
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
VILLAGE COMMUNITY LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY (CLPS) COMMITTEE MEETING
held on Monday, January 5, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., in the Board Room, at 4747 Camp Phillips Road

AGENDA ITEMS.

1. Meeting called to order by CLPS Chair and Village Trustee, Luis Lopes-Serrao, at approximately 5:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum by Secretary Parker.

Roll call indicated ~~seven~~ six (6) CLPS members present.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Present</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	YES
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	YES
Beck, Lisa	YES
Clark, Katrina	YES – Via Zoom
Czerwonka, John	YES
Kamke, Kirk	EXCUSED
Olson, Brent	YES

Village Staff in attendance, in-person: Gebert, Higgins, Maguire, Dolan, Webster, Hunt, Finke, and Parker.

Village Staff in attendance, via Zoom: None

Board of Trustees Members Present in the audience, in-person: None

Board of Trustees Members Present in the audience, via Zoom: None

Audience Members in attendance, in-person: There was 1 audience member present, in-person.

Audience Members in attendance, via Zoom: There was 1 audience member present, via Zoom.

PUBLIC COMMENT [0:00:57 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Jim Pinsonneault, 5002 Arrow Street, Weston. He read into record a request (attached) for CLPS to either remove the reference duplication or clarify in further how 50.103.11 will be enforced.

A request was made to now move to Agenda Item #11, under New Business.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS [0:26:10 Zoom Meeting Recording]

4. Approve Minutes from November 3, 2025, CLPS Meeting.

Motion by Olson, second by Ermeling: to approve the November 3, 2025, CLPS meeting minutes.

Yes Vote: 6 No Votes: 0 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

<u>Member (PC)</u>	<u>Voting</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	YES
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	YES
Beck, Lisa	YES
Clark, Katrina	YES
Czerwonka, John	YES
Kamke, Kirk	-----
Olson, Brent	YES

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

None.

ACKNOWLEDGE REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS [0:26:39 Zoom Meeting Recording]

5. Code Enforcement Update

Maguire explained the report bringing up the active enforcement case list. Explained the reasoning for “suspended” cases, is on hold until winter is over (particularly with issues of paving or exterior work). Once winter is near over, they will begin looking into these again.

a. Update on Raze or Repair Order for Aspen Street Apartments, located at 4911, 5003, 5007, 5011, 5103, & 5107 Aspen Street [0:29:02 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Maguire gave a description of the work that has been done on these properties, and displayed some pictures of that work, and how the new property owner here has invested a significant amount of funding to fixing these properties up. He then requested that we pull this item from the future CLPS agendas, unless there is a significant backslide on this project..

Ermeling stated where the garbage enclosures are located compared to the driveways, how it can be hard to see traffic coming in and out. Maguire stated he could look into that.

Lopes-Serrao would like to keep this on for one more meeting yet, as there has not been an inspection since the last meeting.

b. Update on 3020 Mount View Avenue’s property maintenance issues and County’s tax delinquent property acquisition progress. [0:38:12 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Maguire stated the County took possession in early November. He stated how the County was going to list this property on the WI Surplus auction site, but how he has not seen anything out there yet. He stated that there is a certain window of time where the heirs of the estate can repurchase the property, but in his conversation with the family, they are not interested. Maguire stated we are not able to bill the County for any services, and how Parker had requested the new Harter’s garbage and recycling containers be removed from the property. He stated Village staff is taking care of clearing the sidewalk and mowing.

He stated that once new ownership purchases the property we can work with them to inspect it and place a raise or repair order on the house, depending on its structural status. He stated it has to do with the extent of damage in relation to the property value.

Ermeling questioned why we are doing services, and why we can't bill the County when we are performing all these services. Gebert commented that we have had real cooperative discussions with the County on this and how the sooner we get this property back on the tax roll, the better it will be for all.

A question came up on if we want to remove this item, and it was agreed to remove it, but when there is a change in ownership to bring back to CLPS with an update.

Motion by Ermeling, second by Czerwonka: to acknowledge the Code Enforcement Update Report, and to bring Item #A back at next meeting, and Item #B comes back when there are changes on the property.

Yes Vote: 6 No Votes: 0 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

<u>Member (PC)</u>	<u>Voting</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	YES
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	YES
Beck, Lisa	YES
Clark, Katrina	YES
Czerwonka, John	YES
Kamke, Kirk	-----
Olson, Brent	YES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. Discussion and/or action on results of continued traffic enforcement on Mallard Court from Alderson Street to end of court [0:44:19 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Gebert commented that at the last meeting, it was asked that his neighborhood continue to be monitored with patrols. Hunt agrees to continue monitoring this area.

Gebert commented on the Children at Play door hangers, that were approved last year. She stated we now have them, and will share about them this spring.

Motion by Ermeling, second by Olson: that no further action is needed on this item, and how MBMPD will continue to monitor Mallard Court, from Alderson Street to the end of the court, according to their regular patrol schedule.

Yes Vote: 6 No Votes: 0 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

<u>Member (PC)</u>	<u>Voting</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	YES
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	YES
Beck, Lisa	YES

Clark, Katrina	YES
Czerwonka, John	YES
Kamke, Kirk	-----
Olson, Brent	YES

7. Discussion and/or action on proposed amendments to Chapter 42 Law Enforcement

[0:46:24 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Gebert pointed to RFC and draft ordinance amendments in the packet. Attorney Yde feels we should keep 42.102 in the form of a citation, in case we need to in the future.

Motion by Olson, second by Czerwonka: to recommend the proposed ordinance amendments to the Board of Trustees.

Yes Vote: 6 No Votes: 0 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

<u>Member (PC)</u>	<u>Voting</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	YES
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	YES
Beck, Lisa	YES
Clark, Katrina	YES
Czerwonka, John	YES
Kamke, Kirk	-----
Olson, Brent	YES

8. Discussion and/or action on proposed amendments to Chapter 50 Nuisances *[0:48:50 Zoom Meeting Recording]*

Gebert referred to the draft ordinance amendments in the packet.

Olson questioned if when we worked through the animal ordinance if we changed “excreta”, as far as is there is a consistency-thing that we should be looking at. Gebert stated this is something we could potentially remove from Chapter 50, as she believe excreta or feces is covered in Chapter 10. Higgins stated we could just remove the text and make reference to Chapter 10. Olson agrees we should use the same terminology on these word references.

Clark commented on 51.02.5 height clearance for tree limbs, where it states the height over the sidewalk can be 14 feet and the height over the road is 10 feet, she feels it should be the other way around.

Dolan suggested the taller height should be for the road.

Clark questioned the charge on mowing grass, and how we figure out the charge if a person would like to make an appeal. She does not understand why we would charge someone to come in an make an appeal.

Gebert explained Attorney Yde’s perspective is that there is some cost for us doing the enforcement. Also, if there is a fee involved provides some incentive or buy-In from the property owner to appeal

against the decision that the grass needs to be mowed. It was stated that these citations are tied to a timeframe, and how these can't wait for the next regular CLPS meeting, where a special meeting would be called.

Beck questioned the "No Mow May" instances, and how we require a lawn no taller than 8". Higgins stated we typically do not start enforcing that until June.

Olson commented on height for utility wires and cables. Higgins stated can move those to 14 feet and will also check with Wodalski, and will bring back next month.

Beck feels like bringing this back next month would be helpful.

Motion by Olson, second by Beck: to bring back this item in March.

Yes Vote: 6 No Votes: 0 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

<u>Member (PC)</u>	<u>Voting</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	YES
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	YES
Beck, Lisa	YES
Clark, Katrina	YES
Czerwonka, John	YES
Kamke, Kirk	-----
Olson, Brent	YES

9. Discussion and/or action on proposed E-Bike and E-Metro Ordinance. [1:03:20 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Gebert stated that at a recent MPO Bike & Pedestrian Subcommittee meeting, it suggested that MPO develop draft an ordinance for all areas, so that all municipalities have the same ordinance. She stated that with a draft, we may still have some tweaking to do, but in general, the ordinances will be similar.

Gebert stated she shared with them six items that we discussed previously as priority items in the development of an ordinance. She stated that the sub-committee meeting is February 5th. She stated that MPO has told her that the Wisconsin BikeFed is interested in doing additional educational sessions for cyclists, and are collecting information on what those folks would like to see. One session is on E-bike safety and education.

Olson feels it would be helpful for those experienced in this topic to provide us a starting point.

Lopes-Serrao commented he sees a lot of E-bike users using those for legitimate travel purposes, such as to work, and then covering a long stretch of roadway.

Czerwonka questioned the timeline and/or goal. Gebert stated in February we would ask for feedback, and how the priorities were due in December. Gebert stated he could bring something back in March. Ermeling feels it would be good to have this before summer.

Motion by Ermeling, second by Olson: to monitor the progress of the MPO Bike/Pedestrian Subcommittee development of a draft metro-area e-bicycle ordinance and discuss input on a draft at a future CLPS meeting.

Yes Vote: 6 No Votes: 0 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

<u>Member (PC)</u>	<u>Voting</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	YES
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	YES
Beck, Lisa	YES
Clark, Katrina	YES
Czerwonka, John	YES
Kamke, Kirk	-----
Olson, Brent	YES

NEW BUSINESS

10. Discussion and/or action on New Class “A” Fermented Malt Beverage & “Class A” Intoxicating Liquor Application – Asees Petroleum LLC dba BP Weston, 4101 Schofield Avenue [1:08:45 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Gebert stated that when CLPS was formed, they were charged to review new licenses. She stated this is a gas station facility.

Olson questioned if it is customary to approve a liquor license prior to them actually owning the building. Gebert stated they still have to file all the paperwork, and would want to ensure that they would have licensure before closing on the sale.

Motion by Ermeling, second by Czerwonka: to recommend a Class A Fermented Malt Beverage and Class A Intoxicating Liquor application for Asees Petroleum LLC, and be forwarded to the Board of Trustees January 19th meeting for approval.

Yes Vote: 6 No Votes: 0 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

<u>Member (PC)</u>	<u>Voting</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	YES
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	YES
Beck, Lisa	YES
Clark, Katrina	YES
Czerwonka, John	YES
Kamke, Kirk	-----
Olson, Brent	YES

The Committee then moved down to “Announcements” on the agenda.

11. Discussion and/or action on neighbor request for a speed limit increase (from 35 mph to 45 mph) on Weston Avenue from Von Kanel Street to Ryan Street [0:0:07 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Isaac Dolan, Village of Weston Staff Engineer, was present, and explained the RFC, and how they came to lowering the speed limit to 35mph during the construction/design phase of the Weston Avenue project.

Ermeling commented on the speed limit and how it was 45 and not 35, and questioned on why when it was narrower and very bumpy that 45 mph was okay. She stated that 45mph feels more natural. She also commented on how currently there are not any more homes than before on this stretch when it was 45mph. She commented on how when you pass Ryan Street, it is back to 45mph.

It was stated that during the public meetings on the Weston Avenue project, how the residents who attended voiced their preference for a slower speed limit (at 35mph), and with that input, the road was designed for the slower speed.

It was stated that in order to change a speed limit, a speed engineering study is required to be done. It was also stated that if the road is designed for 35mph (which gives a 5mph buffer), if we open the road up to a faster speed than what it is designed for, we could be opening ourselves up for liability.

Lopes-Serrao stated that since the residents of this area took the time to show up to the public meeting requesting the lower speed limit, he does not think it would prudent for the Village to consider a speed change.

It was stated that if we were going to entertain the idea of changing the speed limit, we would need to make some sort of public notice that this is being discussed and allow those residents the ability to come in and provide their comments.

Clark stated that she did speak with a resident, who lives in that area, who has stated to her that he feels this was not a worthwhile reduction. She also brought up her experiences with walking along a multi-use path, and how uncomfortable it is when you have traffic going past you at 45 mph.

Hunt stated that currently we can't enforce that road, as per the ordinance, it is a 45mph road. They would need to change the ordinance.

Olson questioned to ask Yde if it is common to increase speeds on roads that are not designed for those speeds. Gebert suggested we could ask the League of Municipalities.

Ermeling stated she would prefer 45mph. While she is concerned if this was constructed for 40mph, but also feels once development occurs out there, then we can look at reducing.

Lopes-Serrao stated the resident who requested did not attend, and neighbors did during the public meeting.

Motion by Ermeling, second by Beck: to send to PW & BOT for review. Question: Olson commented that he can't support based on only 1 person requesting the increase. He would

rather see this on a future agenda item and give residents the opportunity to attend. Motion dies.

Yes Vote: ~~6~~ 3 No Votes: ~~0~~ 3 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

<u>Member (PC)</u>	<u>Voting</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	NO
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	YES
Beck, Lisa	YES
Clark, Katrina	YES
Czerwonka, John	NO
Kamke, Kirk	-----
Olson, Brent	NO

Motion by Olson, second by Clark: to table this item and push to next CLPS meeting and invite residents to come in for discussion. Motion dies.

Yes Vote: ~~6~~ 3 No Votes: ~~0~~ 3 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

<u>Member (PC)</u>	<u>Voting</u>
Lopes-Serrao, Luis {Chair}	YES
Ermeling, Barbara {Vice Chair}	NO
Beck, Lisa	NO
Clark, Katrina	YES
Czerwonka, John	NO
Kamke, Kirk	-----
Olson, Brent	YES

Lopes-Serrao commented that any change in this ordinance would have to go before PW and BOT.

It was stated that Public Works will be discussing this next week at their meeting. Higgins stated that the road is currently signed for the 35mph, and in order to enforce that, an ordinance would have to be passed.

The Committee moved back up to Agenda Item #4.

ANNOUNCEMENTS [1:11:15 Zoom Meeting Recording]

None

REMARKS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS [1:12:50 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Ermeling stated that she will need to be excused from the March meeting.

Czerwonka shared his appreciation for the work done by the DPW crew, and how they did a good job clearing the roads especially during the holiday season.

Lopes-Serrao expressed his congratulations to Kevin Ostrowski and Tom Jourdan for their service and on their retirements. He also stated that regarding the public comments we heard, as far as the book that was referenced, he does not believe we can put that in the public record because it is copyrighted material and public record would be releasing that. He stated that people can certainly check it out at the library if they want. He recommends we just donate the book to somebody, rather than keep it here on site. He stated it could also be looked at as receiving a gift. He stated it can be gifted out or Pinsonneault can come and retrieve it and gift it to somebody else.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA [1:14:10 Zoom Meeting Recording]

Maguire stated we should have the 2025 year-end code enforcement report. He pointed out how, through the assistance of the Code Enforcement Officers, we were able to close out over 200 cases this year.

The Items that were brought up today will be on the March agenda.

a. Next Regular Meeting Date – Monday, March 2, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Czerwonka, second by Beck, to adjourn at 6:14 p.m.

Luis Lopes-Serrao, Village Trustee and CLPS Chair
Jami Gebert, Village Administrator
Valerie Parker, Recording Secretary

Good evening, Jim Pinsonneault 5002 Arrow St

This body is tasked with taking a deep dive into every line of municipal code. They have discussed topics which may be uncomfortable for some to bring up in a public space. Things such as massage parlors, rodent infestations, and the prohibition of lions, tigers and bears oh my.

This evening you will be discussing chapter 50. I have identified an inconsistency and unnecessary duplication of regulations. Specifically on page 74. 50.103.11 covers animal excreta. This likely, is actually referring to poop. As previously discussed by this body the definition of excreta is "waste matter discharged from the body, especially feces and urine."

I do not feel any additional duplication of regulation is necessary on this topic, as it was gone though in detail in the Animals chapter. If this body wishes to keep 50.103.11, I would ask that clarification is made to clearly define excreta as poop. Unless, you actually mean urine and feces as the dictionary has it called out. If this is the case, what method of urine removal would you prefer our residents to utilize so that they are in compliance with the law of the land?

As a the former chair of this committee I would like to formally present this book as an addition to the official Village of Weston reference library which is utilized by staff and officials. It can be placed there for future generations to reference and learn from. I am also formally requesting that it be scanned into the record as part of my public comment, as it contains only about 142 words. It is called "Everyone Poops" by Taro Gomi. I hope you all find this a useful tool in educating and increasing the awareness about scary things such as "excreta."

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and for accepting this contribution to the Mark Maloney Presidential library on my behalf.



Public Comment Form

This form must be completed and handed to the Clerk prior to the start of a meeting.

Please state which meeting this is for: Village Board of Trustees Other: CLPS

Full Name: Jim Pinsonneault Date: 1 / 5 / 26

Phone Number: (75) 212 - 0540 Email Address: jp@westonvt.com

Your Address: 5002 Arrow St

Do you wish to make an oral statement? Yes: No:

Meeting Date: / / Agenda Item: (if applicable) 3

Comments: (Please use backside of sheet if you need more room) Duplication of code