



VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY
420 N FRONT STREET, SUTTONS BAY, MI 49682
VILLAGE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES OF September 21, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Lutke.

Present: Bahle, Christensen, Lutke, Perkins, Smith, Suppes & Yoder

Absent: None

Staff present: Larrea & Petroskey

Guests: 3

Consent Agenda

Yoder moved, Suppes seconded, CARRIED, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The August 17, 2026 Village Council meeting minutes are approved. The payments for invoices are approved. Ayes: 7 No: 0. Absent-0

Conflict of Interest: None

Agenda approval

Bahle moved, Suppes seconded to approve the agenda as presented.
Ayes: 7 No: 0 Absent 0

Public comment/Communications:

- Tim Lodge introduced himself as a candidate for Drain Commissioner and noted 35 years of experience as a civil engineer. He hopes to bring transparency and experience to the job.

New Business:

Manager's Annual Review

President Lutke recommended that the Manager's review be forwarded to the next administrative committee to discuss the manager's review, achievements and goals.

Report VSB-2026-20 Manager's Update

The Village manager took the highlights of his report and talked about the following:

- The A-Dock-Bid Openings
- Coal Dock Grant-Spring Implementation
- Future Dredging Projects
- Port Suttons-Request to evaluate the at trail crossing on M-22. Discussion with TART and MDOT
- Elm Street Walk Through with neighbors

Christensen stated that there was good conversation with the Elm Street neighbors and a lot of information was provided. Rob will be talking with the various entities involved to discuss options.

Good of the Order: Karl asked if rate increases for sewer and water services will be on the table for the 2027 budget to help offset costs for future improvements. Rob indicated that they will be proposed and he will be seeking additional grants to help with funding.

Public Comment- Bill Crackel thanked Rob for the information provided on the walk through on Elm Street and offered his concern regarding the drainage on St. Mary's.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Dorothy Petroskey, Village Clerk.