



VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY
420 N FRONT STREET, SUTTONS BAY, MI 49682
VILLAGE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES OF November 17, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Pro-Tem Christensen.

Present: Bahle, Smith, Suppes, Christensen, Perkins, Yoder & Lutke (5:35)

Absent:

Staff present: Larrea & Petroskey

Guests: 3

Consent Agenda

Yoder moved, Smith seconded, CARRIED, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The October 20, 2025 Village Council meeting minutes are approved. The payments for invoices are approved. Ayes: 6 No: 0. 1 Absent

Conflict of Interest: None

Agenda approval

Bahle moved Yoder seconded, CARRIED to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 6 No: 0. 1 Absent

Lutke arrived at 5:35.

Public comment/Communications: Will Case commended Larrea and DeVol on their hard work on the budget and thanked them noting the Village is financially secure

New Business:

VSB 2025-35 2025 Budget Amendments:

Rob stated the proposed budget amendment request asks for expenses in the amount of \$4,212,665 and revenues in the amount of \$3,580,507. Larrea noted that the Village has saved over the years for a few purchases made this year such as the new plow truck. Yoder moved Bahle seconded, CARRIED to approve the 2025 year-end budget amendments to reflect a revenue in the amount of \$3,580,507 and expenses in the amount of \$4,212,665. Roll Call Vote: Smith-Yes, Christensen-Yes, Suppes-Yes, Bahle-Yes, Perkins-Yes, Yoder-Yes and Lutke-Yes. Ayes: 7 No: 0.

VSb-2025-36 2026 Set Public Hearing for Truth in Taxation

It was noted that a Truth in Taxation Hearing will need to be scheduled for December 2, 2025 at 8:30 am to adopt the 2026 proposed budget. Lutke moved Christensen seconded, CARRIED to schedule a special meeting for the Truth in Taxation hearing to support the 2026 budget for December 2, 2025 at 8:30 am. Ayes: 7 No: 0.

VSb 2025-37 2026 Budget Hearing

Bahle moved, Yoder seconded, CARRIED to schedule a special meeting for December 2, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. to consider adoption of the proposed 2026 budget. Ayes: 7 No: 0.

Staff Reports: The law enforcement stats were presented. Larrea stated the Village has received a grant in conjunction with the Grand Traverse Bay Watershed for shoreline restoration at the coal dock. The Village's portion is \$15,000 where \$7000 will be applied to the engineer expenses and the remainder will be in kind.

Planning Commission Report: Smith stated that the planning commission will hear a proposal for an expansion of the Inland Seas campus.

Good of the Order: Suppes thanked the DPW crew for all their hard work in picking up the leaves this Fall.

Lutke noted that we are still seeking a DDA member.

Public Comment-

Bill Crackel asked about the lights at the coal dock. He asked if they were set to a timer or if they were turned off for the season.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by Dorothy Petroskey, Village Clerk.