

**Village of Somers
7511 12th Street
Somers, WI 53171**

**Village Board Meeting
Agenda
Tuesday, September 9, 2025
5:30 p.m.**

Village Board Meeting:	
Item #	
1	Call to order
2	Pledge of Allegiance
3	Consent and Approval of Minutes of Regular meetings on August 26, Vouchers dated August 28 and September 4, August ACH Payments, August Building Report and July Investment Statements
4	Correspondence: none
5	Citizens Comments
6	President and Trustee Comments
7	Discuss and possible action on proposed Resolution 2025-011, a Resolution of the Village of Somers Board of Trustees to recognize the efforts and congratulate Adam Haas on his 2025 GAMMA Youth MMA World Championship and past awards
8	Action on application for Special Event Permit from Palmen Auto Stores for their Employee Family Picnic, at Hawthorn Hollow located at 880 Green Bay Road, Kenosha WI 53144
9	Action on Operators Licenses: Olga Rivera-Berrios, Tessa Mitchell and Jewel Noble
10	Motion to convene in Closed Session per Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee(s) over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, specifically the 2026 – 2028 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Firefighter/EMT Employees, Local 4831 – IAFF. (Roll call required)
11	Reconvene in Open Session (Roll call vote required)
12	Board reserves the right to take action on item discussed in Closed Session

I hereby certify that as the designee of the chief elected official of the Village of Somers, I posted this notice of the September 9, 2025 Village Board Meeting & in 1 public place & on the Village website.

Dated this 5th day of September, 2025

Wendy Burnette, Clerk-Treasurer

Requests from person with disabilities who need assistance to participate in this meeting should be made to the Clerk's Office at 262-859-2822 with as much notice as possible. **Notice is hereby given that members of the Village Board may participate telephonically. Notice is hereby given that members of the Town Board may be in attendance for the sole purpose of gathering information. A quorum may be present. However, no Board action will be taken.**

**Village of Somers
Proceedings from the Regular Board Meeting August 26, 2025**

Wendy Burnette Clerk Treasure called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

Trustee Ostby nominated Trustee Aupperle to serve as President Pro tem.

Trustee Jack Aupperle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Trustees Ben Harbach, Joe Smith, Karl Ostby, Jackie Nelson, Jack Aupperle, and Scott Fredrick. President Stoner was late due to another meeting. Also present: Administrator Jim Hurley, Clerk/Treasurer Wendy Burnette, Assistant Administrator Kevin Poirier, Chief Andersen and Attorney Davison.

Consent and Approval of Minutes of Regular meetings on August 12, Vouchers dated August 14 and 21 June Investment Statements

Trustee Harbach moved to approve the Minutes of Regular meetings on August 12, Vouchers dated August 14 and 21 and June Investment Statements

Seconded by Trustee Ostby.

Motion carried.6-0 vote.

Correspondence:

Trustee Jack Aupperle mentioned meeting invitation for Saturday, September 27, 2025, at 8 a.m. at the RecPlex in Pleasant Prairie. 8 a.m. coffee and 8:30 a.m. meeting will commence thereafter.

Citizen Comments

None

President and Trustee Comments

Trustee Frederick reported that he has been working with Assistant Administrator Poirier on a proclamation for Adam Haas, who recently became a three-time Youth MMA World Champion. He has spoken with Adam's parents, and plans are being made to invite Adam and his family to an upcoming board meeting for a presentation.

Trustee Nelson stated that if a quorum is present on September 27th, a notice will need to be posted.

Wendy Burnette Clerk/ Treasurer agreed with Trustee Nelson regarding the quorum posting.

Trustee Nelson reported that there had been a discussion regarding budget hearing. A suggestion was made to cancel the Saturday, September 20th Saturday meeting instead hold the hearing on Tuesday, September 16th at 4pm., Prior to the regular board meeting. like to have comments on it, is this something we would like to do.

Trustee Ostby stated that he would be agreeable to the change.

Trustee Nelson noted that she would confirm with Administrator Hurley and confirm the time was okay with him.

Trustee Ostby added that, in keeping with tradition, food would be arranged for the meeting.

President Stoner apologized for arriving late, explaining that he had been addressing issues at the meeting prior to this.

Action on proposed changes to the Public Works CIP request relating to equipment.

Trustee Nelson moved to approve the proposed changes to the Public Works CIP request relating to equipment and noted it was a great idea.

Seconded by Trustee Ostby.

Motion carried. 7-0 vote.

Action on Proposed 2026-2028 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Firefighter/EMT Employees, Local 4831 -IAFF

Trustee Ostby moved to approve the proposed 2026-2028 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Firefighter/ EMT Employees, Local 4831-IAFF

Attorney Davison clarified that there is currently no finalized agreement. While discussions have been taken place between Village Staff and IAFF, a draft still needs to be prepared. The agreement would run through December 31,2025.

Trustee Ostby stated that he has a copy of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Village/Town of Somers, and the Village of Somers Fire Department documented in 2022.

Trustee Nelson suggested that the item be tabled until an official draft is available.

Administrator Hurley noted that the meeting packet (page 31) contains a document dated January 1, 2026-December 31, 2028.

Trustee Nelson asked for clarification if this constitutes the official document.

Administrator Hurley confirmed that a document exists, is included in the packet, and has been updated.

Trustee Harbach asked if the document has been signed by all parties.

Trustee Ostby clarified that signatures are obtained only after the agreement is approved.

Trustee Nelson questioned whether the agreement was prepared by the board rather than the attorney.

Administrator Hurley explained that he was not present when it was developed, but confirmed the bargaining unit worked with staff to update the prior agreement, making modifications in house.

Trustee Nelson asked whether the attorney should review the agreement before it is passed.

Trustee Ostby and Nelson agreed that legal review would be appropriate.

Attorney Davison stated that the agreement only needs to be updated with new wages and agreed upon language.

Trustee Nelson expressed concern about approving the agreement without attorney review.

Trustee Ostby asked if it had already been reviewed by employment attorney. It was clarified that Attorney Davison had not reviewed the document, and the matter may need to be tabled for additional time.

Chief Andersen noted that Interim Administrator Swartz had directed staff not to send agreement to legal counsel, but rather to type up the changes and bring them directly to the board.

Trustee Ostby stated that he understood labor attorney had originally drawn up the prior version. It was further clarified that while the labor attorney reviewed the earlier agreement, the current updates were drafted in house without attorney involvement.

Trustee Nelson reiterated that she would like counsel to review the agreement, emphasizing that it is legal document and not due until December.

Chief Andersen noted that from a budgetary perspective, approving the step increase outlined in the agreement would help with planning.

Attorney Davison confirmed that there is no budgetary issue but emphasized the need for a formal contract for protection in case of future issues.

Trustee Ostby proposed proceeding in two steps. Approve the outlined step increases for budget purposes. Table the overall contract approval until after attorney review. Trustee Ostby made the motion. Trustee Nelson seconded.

Action on Amended Proposed 2026-2028 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Firefighter/EMT Employees, Local 4831 -IAFF

Trustee Ostby motion to agree to the steps that are outlined for a budget and secondly to table the overall approval of the contract subject to our attorney reviewing it.

Attorney Davison stated that the agreement will be ready for approval in two weeks. It can be reviewed during the work session, with final approval scheduled at that time.

Seconded by Trustee Nelson

Motion carried 7-0 vote.

Action on the Memorandum of Understanding with the Somers Creek Development, Inc.

Trustee Ostby moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Somers Creek Development, Inc.

President Stoner reported that he had spoken with Administrator Hurley, regarding the matter. A meeting was also held with Bear, during which it was agreed that all attachments to that line of credit would require approval rather than being drawn without oversight.

Trustee Ostby noted that this arrangement outlines the provision of cash just under of 200,000 dollars.

President Stoner clarified that the funds relate to the line of credit, which has also involved Jeff and Doug.

Assistant Administrator Poirier stated it was not accurate.

President Stoner added that he had asked Administrator Hurley to review each charge against the account, with checks to be signed on Fridays to ensure requests are legitimate.

Assistant Administrator Poirier explained that there had been a misunderstanding. He clarified that the Memorandum of Understanding. He clarified that the Memorandum of Understanding relates only to the grading permit. A 200,000 check was provided by the developer as financial security in case of non-compliance with grading permit restrictions. The Village is holding this check in the vault until the Memorandum Of Understanding is approved by the Board, at which point will be deposited in the bank. The funds will be fully returned to the developer unless there is a violation of grading requirements. He added that the attorney has reviewed the Memorandum Of Understanding.

Trustee Nelson confirmed that this should not be confused with a predevelopment agreement.

Assistant Administrator Poirier agreed, stating this is a separate matter pertaining solely to the grading permit.

Trustee Aupperle clarified that the deposit serves as financial security to ensure Bear complies with erosion control regulations as required by both the Village and Wisconsin DNR.

Seconded by Trustee Harbach.

Motion carried. 7-0 vote.

Action on Operator's Licenses: Amy Murphy, Alan Hedges, Berry Calhoun, Brent Deloughary

Trustee Aupperle moved to approve operator's licenses: Amy Murphy, Alan Hedges, Berry Calhoun, Brent Deloughary

Trustee Harbach inquired whether background checks had been completed.

Wendy Burnette Clerk/Treasurer confirmed that background check was completed successfully, and all requirements were met.

Seconded by Trustee Fredrick

Motion carried. 7-0 vote

Motion to convene into closed session:

- a. Per Wisconsin State Statute §19.85(1)(b) considering dismissal, demotion, licensing or discipline of any public employee or person licensed by a board or commission or the investigation of charges against such person, or considering the grant or denial of tenure for a university faculty member, and the taking of formal action on any such matter; provided that the faculty member or other public employee or person licensed is given actual notice of any evidentiary hearing which may be held prior to final action being taken and of any meeting at which final action may be taken. The notice shall contain a statement that the person has the right to demand that the evidentiary hearing or meeting be held in open session. This paragraph and par. (f) do not apply to any such evidentiary hearing or meeting where the employee or person licensed requests that an open session be held, specifically employee discipline.
- b. Per Wisconsin State Statute §19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, specifically Clerk/Treasurer's duties.

(Roll call required)

Trustees Jackie Nelson, Scott Fredrick, Jack Aupperle, George Stoner, Karl Ostby, Ben Harbach, Joe Smith,

Board reserves the right to take action on item discussed in Closed Session

Trustee Aupperle moved to terminate the employment of Tyler Remus from the Public Works Department. Termination procedures are to include the presence of a deputy and the return of all Village property, including keys, uniforms, and any other materials.

Seconded by Trustee Frederick

Motion carried 7-0 vote.

Adjourn

Trustee Harbach moved to Adjourn at 7:00 pm.

Seconded by Trustee Smith.

Motion carried. 7-0 vote.

Drafted this 2nd day of September by Wendy Burnette Clerk/Treasurer. These minutes are not official until approved by the Village Board.

Check Date	Bank	Check	Vendor	Vendor Name	Amount
Bank POOL POOLED CASH					
08/28/2025	POOL	275 (E)	KWIKTRIP	KWIK TRIP INC	4,649.86
08/28/2025	POOL	65193	AED	AED ESSENTIALS INC	193.00
08/28/2025	POOL	65194	AVI001	AVI SYSTEMS INC	750.00
08/28/2025	POOL	65195	BAXTER	BAXTER & WOODMAN	47,495.20
08/28/2025	POOL	65196	BTM001	BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	4,204.56
08/28/2025	POOL	65197	CWPURPERO	C W PURPERO INC	150,025.10
08/28/2025	POOL	65198	SPECTRUM	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	183.34
08/28/2025	POOL	65199	SPECTRUM	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	32.88
08/28/2025	POOL	65200	CORE	CORE & MAIN LP	170.00
08/28/2025	POOL	65201	DIVERESCUE	DIVE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL INC	1,864.28
08/28/2025	POOL	65202	FIRESESV	FIRE SERVICE INC	8,649.82
08/28/2025	POOL	65203	UHS001	FROEDTERT SOUTH INC-PHARMACY	83.50
08/28/2025	POOL	65204	GENCOM	GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS INC	1,051.25
08/28/2025	POOL	65205	HOL001	HOLLAND SUPPLY, INC	120.04
08/28/2025	POOL	65206	JOHNS	JOHNS DISPOSAL SERVICE INC	49,920.60
08/28/2025	POOL	65207	MFOSS	MARCUS FOSS	35.00
08/28/2025	POOL	65208	RKITE	RILEY KITE	104.00
08/28/2025	POOL	65209	RPFSCMOUTL	RPF-SOMERS OUTLOTS LLC	253,841.00
08/28/2025	POOL	65210	SCSPIKECR	SCS PIKE CREEK LLC	122,862.00
08/28/2025	POOL	65211	STAPLEAD	STAPLES	825.94
08/28/2025	POOL	65212	STERICYCLE	STERICYCLE INC	17.65
08/28/2025	POOL	65213	WEE001	WE ENERGIES	11.01
08/28/2025	POOL	65214	WELDSTAR	WELDSTAR COMPANY	241.80
08/28/2025	POOL	65215	WES001	WESTERN CULVERT & SUPPLY INC	986.30

POOL TOTALS:

Total of 24 Checks:	648,318.13
Less 0 Void Checks:	0.00
Total of 24 Disbursements:	<u>648,318.13</u>

09/04/2025 02:20 PM
 User: HKRUK
 DB: Somers

CHECK REGISTER FOR VILLAGE OF SOMERS
 CHECK DATE FROM 09/04/2025 - 09/04/2025

Check Date	Bank	Check	Vendor	Vendor Name	Amount
Bank POOL POOLED CASH					
09/04/2025	POOL	65217	BRUM	ANN BRUMBACK	64.01
09/04/2025	POOL	65218	AAC001	ASSOCIATED APPRAISAL	4,969.43
09/04/2025	POOL	65219	AT&T001	AT&T	99.54
09/04/2025	POOL	65220	AT&T001	AT&T	308.32
09/04/2025	POOL	65221	AT&TMOB	AT&T MOBILITY	447.01
09/04/2025	POOL	65222	CDWGOV	CDW GOVERNMENT	11,615.40
09/04/2025	POOL	65223	CONWAY	CONWAY SHIELD	91,432.00
09/04/2025	POOL	65224	TRI-VISA	ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	1,117.64
09/04/2025	POOL	65225	FIRESESV	FIRE SERVICE INC	6,407.70
09/04/2025	POOL	65226	FS001	FIRST SUPPLY LLC	126.36
09/04/2025	POOL	65227	FLOCK	FLOCK GROUP INC	9,000.00
09/04/2025	POOL	65228	GAT001	GATEWAY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	3,949.60
09/04/2025	POOL	65229	STO001	GEORGE STONER	211.60
09/04/2025	POOL	65230	HEARTLAND	HEARTLAND BUSINESS SYSTEMS LLC	107.50
09/04/2025	POOL	65231	SOR001	JOHN E SORENSEN	71.78
09/04/2025	POOL	65232	JXPETER	JX TRUCK CENTER - WADSWORTH	333.43
09/04/2025	POOL	65233	KCSHERIF	KENOSHA CO SHERIFF DEPT	71,531.24
09/04/2025	POOL	65234	KEN002	KENOSHA COUNTY TREASURER	2,443.43
09/04/2025	POOL	65235	KWU001	KENOSHA WATER UTILITY	61,210.55
09/04/2025	POOL	65236	KWU002	KENOSHA WATER UTILITY	168.00
09/04/2025	POOL	65237	REFUND UB	MARQUIS WILLIAMS	184.79
09/04/2025	POOL	65238	MCDEVITTS	MCDEVITTS TOWING & REPAIR	1,369.69
09/04/2025	POOL	65239	MCDON001	MCDONALD OVERHEAD DOOR INC	945.00
09/04/2025	POOL	65240	T0000175	STEVEN KRAUSE	100.75
09/04/2025	POOL	65241	PEREZT	TERESA PEREZ	400.00
09/04/2025	POOL	65242	USPOST	US POSTMASTER	468.00
09/04/2025	POOL	65243	WICOURT	WI COURT FINES & SURCHARGES	7,782.78
09/04/2025	POOL	65244	WAM001	WILLIAM A MORRIS	159.14

POOL TOTALS:

Total of 28 Checks:	277,024.69
Less 0 Void Checks:	0.00
Total of 28 Disbursements:	277,024.69

Village of Somers

ACH payments and checks from Payroll system during the month of August 2025

DATE	CHECK#	PAYABLE TO	AMOUNT
8/7/2025	ACH	PNP BILLPAYMENT	\$ 149.20
8/8/2025	ACH	MISC FEES/DEPOSIT ITEM RETURNED CK#1577	\$ 187.25
8/8/2025	ACH	MISC FEES/DEPOSIT ITEM RETURNED	\$ 15.00
8/8/2025	ACH	SOMERS PAYROLL	\$ 79,111.15
8/8/2025	EFT1273	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	\$ 27,726.23
8/8/2025	EFT1274	WI DEPT. OF REVENUE	\$ 4,725.54
8/8/2025	EFT1275	WISCONSIN DEFERRED COMP	\$ 1,546.69
8/8/2025	EFT1276	WI SCTF	\$ 403.85
8/8/2025	EFT1277	SOMERS FIRE FIGHTERS	\$ 360.00
8/8/2025	65125	BRIGHTHOUSE FINANCIAL	\$ 215.00
8/11/2025	ACH	PNP BILLPAYMENT	\$ 446.80
8/12/2025	ACH	ANALYSIS LOSS FEE/MISC FEE	\$ 503.55
8/14/2025	ACH	PNP BILLPAYMENT	\$ 466.80
8/22/2025	ACH	SOMERS PAYROLL	\$ 77,639.03
8/22/2025	EFT1278	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	\$ 27,582.03
8/22/2025	EFT1279	WI DEPT. OF REVENUE	\$ 4,676.42
8/22/2025	EFT1280	EMPLOYEE TRUST FUNDS	\$ 63,126.66
8/22/2025	EFT1281	DELTA DENTAL	\$ 3,416.50
8/22/2025	EFT1282	DELTA DENTAL & VISION	\$ 477.80
8/22/2025	EFT1283	AFLAC INSURANCE	\$ 212.80
8/22/2025	EFT1284	WISCONSIN DEFERRED COMP	\$ 1,584.61
8/22/2025	EFT1285	WI SCTF	\$ 403.85
8/22/2025	EFT1286	SOMERS FIRE FIGHTERS	\$ 360.00
8/22/2025	EFT1287	WI EMPLOYEE TRUST FUNDS	\$ 36,822.41
8/22/2025	65167	SECURIAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC	\$ 846.97
8/22/2025	65168	SECURIAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC	\$ 61.04
8/22/2025	65169	BRIGHTHOUSE FINANCIAL	\$ 215.00
8/22/2025	EFT1288	LIBERTY NATIONAL	\$ 1,810.96
8/28/2025	ACH	PNP BILLPAYMENT	\$ 954.23
8/29/2025	ACH	PNP BILLPAYMENT	\$ 98.80
		TOTAL	\$ 336,146.17
		2025 LOAN PAYMENTS & AGENT FEES	
8/26/2025	ACH	WIRE TRANSFER - BTSC PAYING AGENT	\$ 4,660.00
8/26/2025	ACH	WIRE TRANSFER - BTSC PAYING AGENT	\$ 50,800.00
8/26/2025	ACH	WIRE TRANSFER - BTSC PAYING AGENT	\$ 65,800.00
		TOTAL	\$ 121,260.00

August 2024

Record Type Breakdowns		
Unit:		
Record Type: Permit	Records	Revenue
Building	16	2,314.20
Electric	4	350.35
Engineering / Public Works	44	3,000.00
Mechanical	2	582.00
Plumbing	5	5,215.00
TOTAL:	71	11,461.55

August 2025

-\$6,872.55

Record Type Breakdowns		
Unit:		
Record Type: Permit	Records	Revenue
Building	11	1,060.00
Dumpster	2	50.00
Electric	7	785.00
Engineering / Public Works	3	265.00
Land Disturbance	1	1,064.00
Mechanical	2	130.00
Plumbing	7	1,235.00
TOTAL:	33	4,589.00

YTD 2024

Record Type Breakdowns		
Unit:		
Record Type: Permit	Records	Revenue
Building	167	110,249.80
Electric	81	35,689.90
Engineering / Public Works	54	3,825.00
Land Disturbance	5	330.00
Land Fill	2	130.00
Mechanical	31	6,559.02
Plumbing	76	74,663.11
ROW	11	1,100.00
Single Family	4	24,904.81
TOTAL:	431	257,451.64

YTD 2025

+\$61,067.65

Record Type Breakdowns		
Unit:		
Record Type: Permit	Records	Revenue
Building	116	244,992.15
Change of Occupancy	1	200.00
Dumpster	17	425.00
Electric	49	15,460.35
Engineering / Public Works	25	2,360.00
Land Disturbance	10	18,214.89
Land Fill	2	1,565.00
Mechanical	14	1,170.00
Plumbing	48	8,314.00
Single Family	4	25,817.90
TOTAL:	286	318,519.29

2025 VILLAGE OF SOMERS MONTHLY INVESTMENT INCOME

JULY	STATE BANK (WIN TRUST)	SCHWAB	EHLERS	LGIP-V	LGIP-T	TRI-CITY	TOTALS
INTEREST	\$ 14,938.05	\$ 24,454.05	\$ 243.49	\$ 31,254.97	\$ 2,335.42	\$ 40,451.79	\$ 113,677.77
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 14,938.05	\$ 24,454.05	\$ 243.49	\$ 31,254.97	\$ 2,335.42	\$ 40,451.79	\$ 113,677.77

JULY	STATE BANK (WIN TRUST)	SCHWAB	EHLERS	LGIP-V	LGIP-T	TRI-CITY	TOTALS
ENDING BALANCES	\$ 3,929,296.51	\$ 4,818,125.62	\$ 759,338.14	\$ 8,465,117.44	\$ 643,884.45	\$ 10,768,060.72	\$ 29,383,822.88

*T-Bill MD6-Cell Tower
\$ 508,000.00

JULY	STATE BANK (WIN TRUST)	SCHWAB	EHLERS	LGIP-V	LGIP-T	TRI-CITY
INTEREST RATE	5.51%	4.23%-Average	3.77%	4.36%	4.36%	4.375%

JULY	STATE BANK (WIN TRUST)	SCHWAB	EHLERS	LGIP-V	LGIP-T	TRI-CITY	TOTALS	PROJECTED FOR YEAR END
Year to date GF	\$ 39,237.89	\$ 25,014.36	\$ -	Included in Tri-City Interest	\$ 15,531.48	\$ 191,958.13	\$ 271,741.86	\$ 465,843.19
Year to date all Funds	\$ 101,389.00	\$ 64,636.60	\$ 19,927.38	\$ 215,838.97	\$ 15,531.48	\$ 321,130.91	\$ 738,454.34	\$ 1,265,921.73
GF INTEREST PERCENTAGE	38.70%	38.70%		Included in Tri-City Interest	100%	36%		

LGIP = Local Government Investment Pool
V = Village
T = Town
Ehlers= 2023 borrowing for CIP
GF = General Fund

FEEES

JULY	EHLERS	YEAR TO DATE
	\$ (178.59)	\$ (1,552.61)
		\$ -
	\$ (178.59)	(1,552.61)

Accrued Interest

JULY	PERSHING- BORROWING
	\$ -
	\$ -



**VILLAGE OF SOMERS
VILLAGE BOARD
MEETING ITEM MEMORANDUM**

MEETING DATE: September 9, 2025

TO: Village President Stoner and Board of Trustees

PREPARED BY: Kevin Poirier, Assistant Administrator

REVIEWED BY: Jim Hurley, Village Administrator

AGENDA ITEM: #7 Discuss and Action on proposed Resolution 2025-011, a Resolution of the Village of Somers Board of Trustees to recognize the efforts and congratulate Adam Haas on his 2025 GAMMA Youth MMA World Championship and past awards

BACKGROUND:

Trustee Fredrick brought to the Board's attention the fact that, Adam Haas, a student at Shoreland Lutheran High School, has won the GAMMA Youth MMA World Champion title three years in a row and proposed a Village Board Resolution to recognize his achievements.

Assistant Administrator Poirier drafted the attached proposed resolution for the Board to consider.

Neither the staff nor the Board was able to make contact with Adam Haas. Staff suggests that this resolution be presented to a Board Meeting once contact has been made with Haas.

PRIOR ACTION TAKEN:

This item was discussed at the Sept. 2 Village Board Work Session

SUGGESTED ACTION/ACTION REQUESTED/COMMENTS:

In the event that the Village Board agrees with the suggested action, a suggested motion to approve would be as follows:

“Motion to approve Resolution of the Village of Somers Board of Trustees to recognize the efforts and congratulate Adam Haas on his 2025 GAMMA Youth MMA World Championship and past awards”

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposed resolution

Village of Somers

RESOLUTION 2025-011

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SOMERS TO RECOGNIZE THE EFFORTS AND CONGRATULATE ADAM HAAS ON HIS 2025 GAMMA YOUTH MMA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP AND PAST AWARDS

WHEREAS, Adam Haas is a Somers resident; and

WHEREAS, Adam Haas is a student at Shoreland Lutheran High School; and

WHEREAS, he represented the United States on the world stage; and

WHEREAS, he demonstrated versatility and grit across combat sports disciplines; and

WHEREAS, he is the 2023 USFL Youth MMA National Champion; and

WHEREAS, he was the 2023 GAMMA Youth MMA National Champion; and

WHEREAS, he was the 2023 IMMAF Youth MMA World Champion (65.8kg); and

WHEREAS, he was the 2024 IMMAF Youth MMA World Champion (65.8kg); and

WHEREAS, is the 2025 GAMMA Youth MMA World Champion (-74.9kg); and

WHEREAS, he earned a podium finish at the WIAA State Championship this past year by claiming fourth place in the 157-pound weight class.

WHEREAS, he earned national titles through exceptional skill and discipline. Though sidelined by injury in 2025, his undefeated record secured him a direct placement on the U.S. National Team.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Somers recognizes the hard work and effort of Adam Haas; and

FINALLY RESOLVED, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Somers wishes to congratulate Adam Haas recognize the efforts and congratulate Adam Haas on his numerous awards,

Dated in Somers, Wisconsin, this 9th day of September, 2025.

VILLAGE OF SOMERS

By: _____

Attest: _____

George Stoner, President

Wendy Burnette, Clerk/Treasurer



**VILLAGE OF SOMERS
VILLAGE BOARD
MEETING ITEM MEMORANDUM**

MEETING DATE: September 9, 2025

TO: Village President Stoner and Village Trustees

PREPARED BY: Wendy Burnette, Clerk-Treasurer

AGENDA ITEM: #8 Action on application for Special Event Permit from Palmen Auto Stores for their Employee Family Picnic, at Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary & Arboretum located at 880 Green Bay Road, Kenosha Wi 53144

BACKGROUND:

Palmen Auto Stores is holding an Employee Family Picnic on October 12, 2025, from Noon to 4 p.m. at Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary & Arboretum, located at 880 Green Bay Road Kenosha, WI 53144. On August 25, 2025, they submitted their application and fee for a Special Event permit. This is a private event for Palmen employees and their families.

PRIOR ACTION TAKEN:

This matter was reviewed and discussed at our September 2nd Work Session.

SUGGESTED ACTION/ACTION REQUESTED/COMMENTS:

In the event that the Village Board agrees with the suggested action, a suggested motion to approve would be as follows:

“Motion to approve application for Special Event Permit from Palmen Auto Stores for their Employee Family Picnic, at Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary & Arboretum located at 880 Green Bay Road, Kenosha WI 53144”

ATTACHMENTS:

Special Event Application



OFFICE USE ONLY
 DATE FILED: _____
 INITIALS: _____

Village of Somers
 P.O. Box 197
 7511 - 12th Street
 Somers, WI 53171
 262-859-2822

Village of Somers Special Event Permit Single Event

Fee: \$75

Date(s) of Event: October 12, 2025 Hours of Event: 12pm - 4pm
 Description of Event: Employee Family Picnic

Licensee Name: Palmen Auto Stores
Corporation, Partnership, or Individual

Trade/Event Name: Palmen Employee Family Picnic

Trade/Event Address: 880 Green Bay Rd Kenosha WI 53144
Street Zip

If Licensee is a Corporation or LLC, list Agent's Full Name: Tara Bernal

List Date of Birth of Agent (If Corporation/LLC) or Individual: 1.25.82

Address: 348 Old Greenbay Rd Kenosha WI 53144
Street City State Zip

Phone: 262 705 0520 Email: tbernal@palmen.com
(Correspondence will be via email if address is given)

Driver's License Number: WI On File
State Number

1. Have you ever received any tickets or been charged with any crimes or felonies in any state? Yes No
 If yes, provide: Charge, State, Date, Result (including pending charges).
 (Examples: Speeding, WI, 5/8/2012, Guilty | Theft, FL, 5/22/2014, Dismissed | DUI, WI, 6/30/2017, Pending)

CHARGE	STATE	DATE	RESULT

2. Have you ever had your **driver's license suspended or revoked in any state?** Yes No
 If yes, provide: Charge, State, Date

CHARGE	STATE	DATE

3. Have you ever served or been sentenced to serve time in **jail or prison in any state?** Yes No
 If yes, provide: Charge, State, Date

CHARGE	STATE	DATE

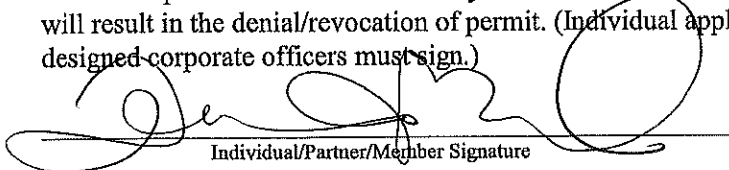
4. Have you ever, while operating a business or engaged in a profession, been convicted of any charges involving unfair trade practices, unethical conduct, or discrimination **in any state?** Yes No
 If yes, provide: Charge, State, Date Result (Include pending charges).

CHARGE	STATE	DATE	RESULT

5. List the name and address of all employers for which you have worked and/or businesses you have operated in the **past five (5) years.** Palmen Buick GMC Cadillac, Inc. 7110 74th Place Kenosha WI 53142

6. Have you lived at your current home address for the **past five (5) years?** Yes No
 If no, please list all addresses which you have resided at in the past five (5) years.

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING: Under penalty provided for by law, the undersigned states that each of the above questions has been truthfully answered to the best of his/her/their knowledge. False or incomplete answers will result in the denial/revocation of permit. (Individual applicants and each member of a partnership must sign; designed corporate officers must sign.)


 Individual/Partner/Member Signature

8.25.25
 Date

PLEASE NOTE: Attached as page 3 and 4 of the application is an **Operational and Security Plan**. This information is required. If not fully and accurately completed, the Special Event Permit application will be considered incomplete and will not proceed to any Committees for consideration until the information is provided.

PLEASE NOTE: Special Events Permits confer no rights regarding alcohol licensing, which must be obtained by separate application and approval.

SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT: OPERATIONAL AND SECURITY PLAN INFORMATION

Operational Plan

Legal occupancy limit for the premises: _____ persons

Attach scale drawing of parking plan Attachment one is our Concert/Small Event Parking Plan, attachment two is our Art Fair Parking Plan, and attachment three is our Historic Building Emergency Access Plan.

Number of off-street parking spaces used to service the premises: 560 parking spaces

Description of the off-street parking spaces used to service the premises: _____
Hawthorn Hollow has two parking lots on the premises, our Nature Center lot which holds 30 cars, and our Farm/Event lot which holds 25. In addition, we park cars diagonally at least 10 feet off the entrance road for concerts and other medium-sized events. For the art fair, we convert our arboretum meadow into a five-lane grass parking lot which can hold up to 375 cars

Describe the sound amplification equipment to be used (if any): _____
We use a 16-channel 1000 w Yamaha powered PA system with two 15-inch main speakers and two floor monitor speakers for the artist. For the art fair, we often have a second stage at the nature center with a second PA system donated for the day.

Attach drawing of where stage will be located. Will it be roped off? Please provide full details.

Identify any sound mitigation strategies to be implemented: _____
Volume is always kept as low as possible to reduce impact on neighbors and the general public. Event DJ's must set up so speakers face north-west, away from our closest neighbors. The amphitheater (concert location) naturally faces away from our neighbors as well. In the past, we have received no complaints from neighbors or the general public about noise levels from our events to the best of our knowledge

How will orderly appearance and operation of the establishment be maintained in regard to litter and noise: _____
We provide numerous garbage and recycling receptacles placed throughout the event area, and these are monitored and emptied when needed. Refuse is then deposited in our garbage and recycling dumpsters, which are emptied once a week by our private sanitation vendor. See above for our noise mitigation plan

Security Plan

Attach scale drawing of elements of Security Plan See Attachment

Description of clothing to identify security personnel: _____
Security is provided by Hawthorn Hollow staff and a select group of vetted volunteers. All staff wear lanyards with identification cards attached, and volunteers wear a lanyard that states "volunteer". For the Walk in the Woods Art Fair, all staff and volunteers also wear a logo t-shirt to make identification easier

Are security personnel employees? If not, provide contact information for outside security firm: _____
Yes, employees and volunteers.

Plan to handle control and clearance of the parking lot and public right-of-ways adjacent to licensed property during hours of operation and at closing time: _____

The use of off-road diagonal parking spaces for the concert series allows for easy parking lot clearance once the event has concluded. For the art fair, we use numerous volunteers to direct and control parking, as well as enforcing one-way lanes throughout the arboretum lot. This, along with plentiful signage (over 20 different signs are used for art fair parking alone) has allowed us to control and clear the lot with ease.

How will the entrance line be managed and controlled: _____

Our main concern is to keep the entrance line off of public roads, specifically Hwy 31. The actual point of entry, where patrons pay or give tickets, is set approximately 300 ft from the roadside, allowing a large number of vehicles to enter without disrupting traffic. If the line becomes too long, we can open up our Farm/Event parking lot as an additional point of entry, allowing more cars to enter. In the unlikely event that there is still a backup, we would forego entrance donation collection and allow cars to enter the event without stopping for tickets or payment, speeding up the process even more
Will any security personnel be armed? Yes No If yes, provide individual names and addresses

Plan for unruly patrons, intoxicated patrons, and physical disturbances (including fights): _____

If a patron is unruly or causes a disturbance, two security personnel will escort them to their vehicle and off the premises, provided they are not intoxicated or a danger to themselves or others. If a fight occurs, all parties will be separated and escorted out under the same conditions. Intoxicated or unruly patrons will not be served alcohol, and law enforcement will only be called if absolutely necessary—though in over 30 years of events at Hawthorn Hollow, this has never been required.


Underage drinking and fake ID plan: _____

When serving alcoholic beverages, we utilize a mandatory ID check and wristband policy for all purchasers. We will not sell any alcoholic beverages to anyone without a wristband (which indicates their ID has been checked and accepted), and we will confiscate any alcoholic beverages in the possession of anyone without a wristband. If an ID is found to be fraudulent, it will be confiscated and turned over to the proper authorities.

Provide the first and last name of all management personnel: _____

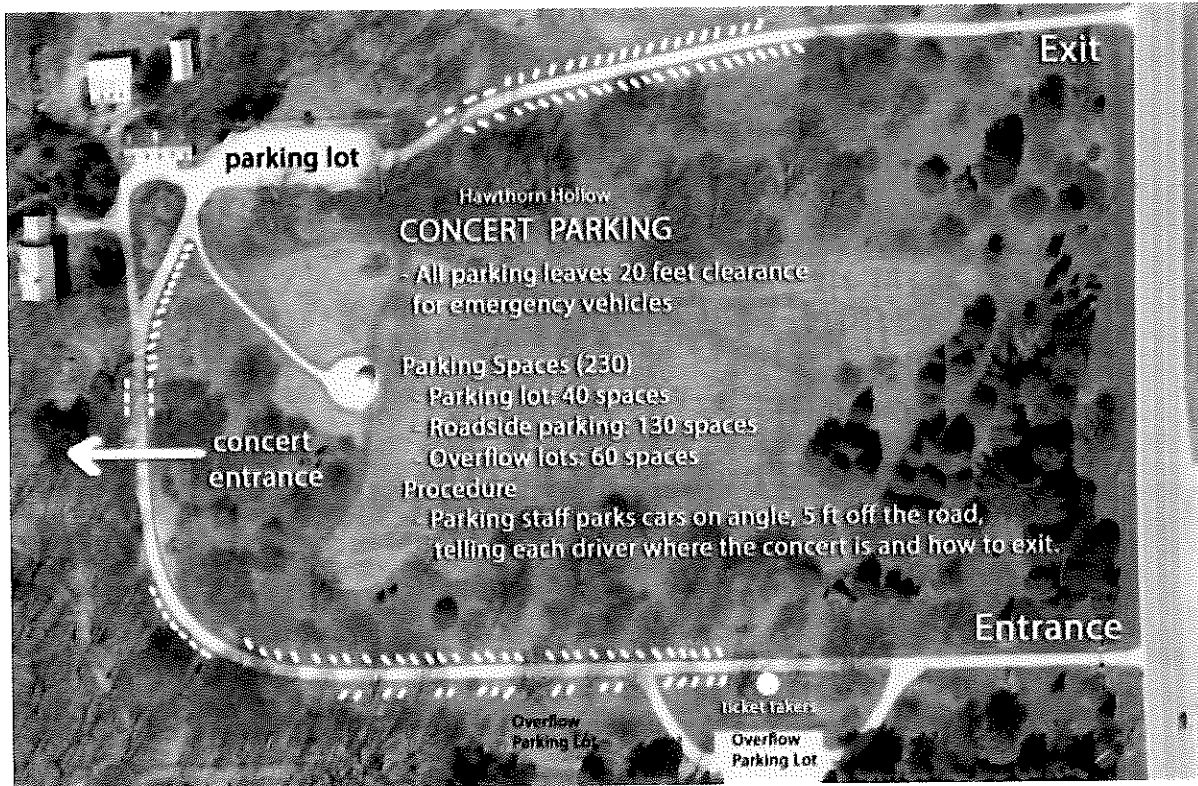
Timothy J. Leveque, Executive Director, Dr. William Parker, Observatory Director, Chad Jocius, Observatory & Maintenance Manager, Jeremy W. Haag, Event & Administrative Coordinator, Lynda Studey Sponsor Coordinator,

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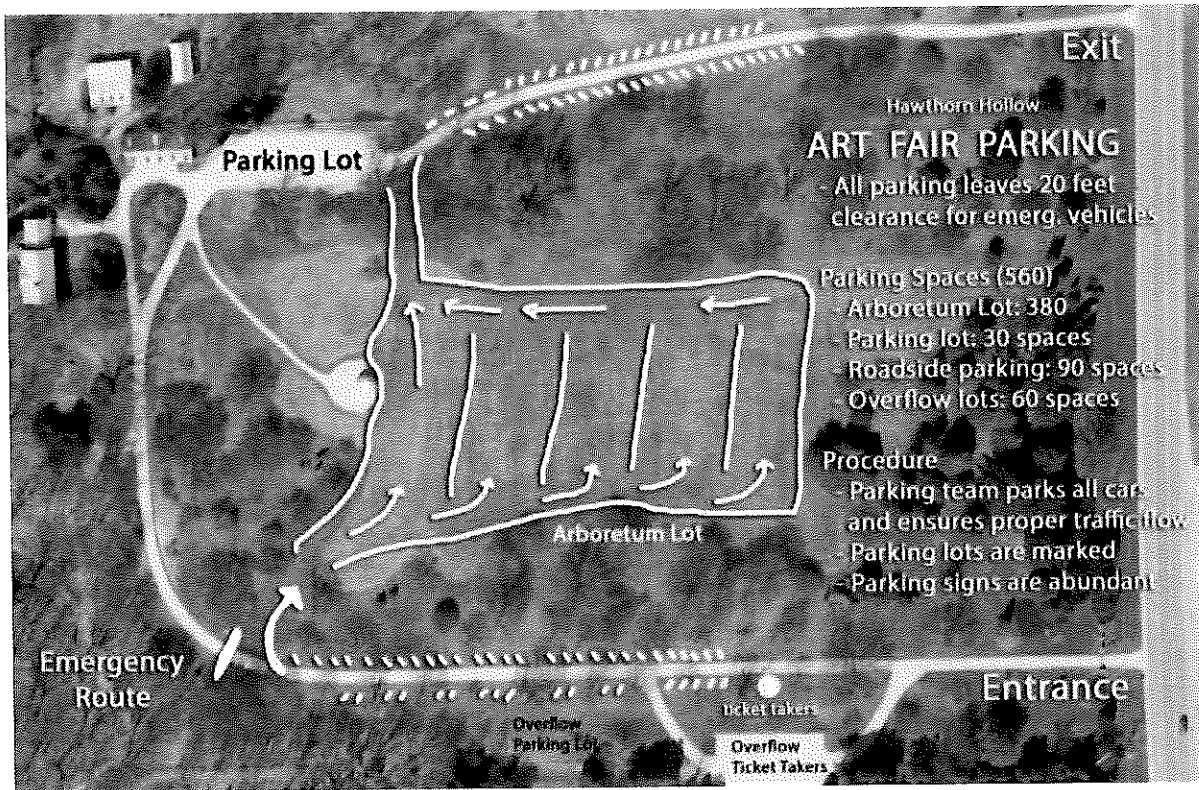

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Attachment One: Concert/Small Event Parking Plan



Attachment Two: Art Fair Parking Plan



Attachment Three: Historic Buildings Emergency Access Plan



Attachment Four: Gates & Camera Locations





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SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT (single Day): ALCOHOL BEVERAGE INFORMATION

To be completed by Agent of Event

Will you be selling or giving away Alcohol at this special event?

Selling _____
Giving Away X

What types of alcohol beverages will be sold or given away Beer, single use
contained beverages.

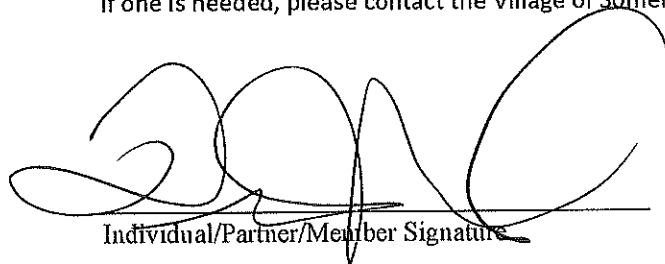
If selling, please contact the clerk for alcohol permits, if you don't already have them.

Name, address and phone number of the responsible person or third-party vendor for alcohol beverages.

Rustic Road Brewing Company (262) 320 7623
5706 6th Ave
Kenosha WI 53140

Bartenders must have a bartender's license in the Village of Somers. Please include a copy with this application.

If one is needed, please contact the Village of Somers to obtain a one-day event operator's license.


Individual/Partner/Member Signature

8.25.25
Date



**VILLAGE OF SOMERS
VILLAGE BOARD
MEETING ITEM MEMORANDUM**

MEETING DATE: September 9, 2025

TO: Village President Stoner and Village Trustees

PREPARED BY: Wendy Burnette, Clerk/Treasurer

AGENDA ITEM: #9 Action on Operator’s Licenses: Olga Rivera-Berrios, Tessa Mitchell and Jewel Noble

BACKGROUND:

Olga Rivera-Berrios, Tessa Mitchell, Jewel Noble have applied for operator’s licenses for the Village of Somers.

No discrepancies with the application.

SUGGESTED ACTION/ACTION REQUESTED/COMMENTS:

Staff recommends approval. In the event that the Village Board agrees with the recommendation to approve: Operators’ applications, a suggested motion would be as follows:

“Motion to approve Operator License for Olga Rivera-Berrios, Tessa Mitchell, Jewel Noble”

ATTACHMENTS:

None