

**Village of New Berlin Board Meeting Minutes**

**6:03 pm on Jan 15, 2025**

Mayor Mike Krall and Trustees Stephen Knox, Kris Neuman, Cindy Morris, Sue Spalding and Stephanie Synder. Additional Attendees: Clerk Debbie Lakamp, Police Chief Terry Nydegger, Atty Jason Brokaw, Mitch Neuman, Cori Davis

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order by Mayor Krall at 6:03 p.m.

**Roll Call:**

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes- left 7:04 pm	Mayor Mike Krall-Yes
Trustee Lokaitis —Yes, 6:35 pm arrive	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes	
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes	

**Motion:** Move to approve the agenda.

Moved by: Trustee Lokaitis      Seconded by: Trustee Spalding  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Yes	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**Audience:** None

**Clerk:** No Report

**Police:** Written Report. Chief Nydegger reported patrol and traffic watches, assisted with Island Grove Holiday Event Traffic and New Berlin Christmas Parade Traffic. Body cameras have been installed.

**Committee Reports**

**Utilities—** Written report. Delinquent water bill collections are progressing well. Water Superintendent Cori Davis is not the new license of record for water testing. Testing has been moved to Springfield. A recommendation was made to take another look at the terminal lift station.

**Motion:** To approve Ordinance 01-2025 waiving the 60-day notice of a water rate change for the South Sangamon Water Commission.

Moved by: Trustee Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Lokaitis  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Absent	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Yes	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**Internet—**205 customers with a December income of \$21,515.

**Zoning—**No Report.

**Streets/Parks—**Written Report. There has also been clean up of sticks and limbs and time spent plowing snow due to the storm.

**TIF:** No Report.

**Finance**— There was a question on the Hays & Sons plumbing bill regarding number of payments.

**Health & Safety** — Discussion of Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and what projects New Berlin might be able to apply for in the future. It is a grant that helps communities fund resources to use during emergencies and for the fire department. Mayor Krall expressed concerns about train speeds and derails as a possible use for these funds.

Trustee Lokaitis brought of the idea of a village/community flag that residents could fly for sport team celebrations or other community celebrations to show support. This will be discussed at a future meeting.

**Personnel**— A discussion was held about adding holidays to the Village calendar as well as a review of other personnel manual updates. The Personnel Committee will review and bring recommendations to the Board.

**Motion:** To approve Ordi02-2025 amending the personnel code related to the evaluation tools.

Moved by: Trustee Morris Neuman      Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes

Trustee Stephanie Synder-- Absent

Trustee Lokaitis—Yes

Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes

Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes

Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**New Business** — None

**Old Business** — None

**Liquor**— No Report

**Motion:** To go into Executive Session regarding purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. (5ILCS 120/2c (5), and (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) Litigation when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6) - The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body.

Moved by: Trustee Spalding

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes

Trustee Stephanie Synder- Absent

Trustee Lokaitis—Yes

Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes

Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes

Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**Return to Regular Session at 7:39 pm**

**Motion:** To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Morris

Seconded by: Trustee Spalding

Motion carries. Adjournment at 7:39 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Lakamp  
Village Clerk