



November 23, 2022

I wanted to take a moment and accurately update Menomonee Falls on a few recent and impactful events in your local government.

### **Village Presidential Resignation:**

On November 18, 2022, Village President Dave Glasgow resigned his position as an elected official. Mr. Glasgow is returning to Germany with his family and international relocations take time to coordinate and execute. Timing is often subject to long bureaucratic approvals. I wish Dave and his family the best in Germany, it is a beautiful country with deep roots to Southeastern Wisconsin.

Former President Glasgow closed on his house October 31, 2022. An elected official must legally reside in the community they serve, and your Village Board regulates itself to make sure meetings are held accordingly. Due to the common nature, I am confident that former President Glasgow has a post-closing agreement with the buyer to reside in his home for a short period of time.

A Village Board meeting was held November 7, 2022 and a Planning Commission meeting November 15, 2022 where President Glasgow was present and voting. An upcoming Village Board meeting was at risk of adjournment. On November 15, 2022, I requested a copy of the post-closing document or other legal document verifying a differing residential address.

On November 16, 2022 your Village Board was notified that President Dave Glasgow was resigning effective November 18, 2022. Although the documentation requested has not been provided – I have knowledge from a trusted source that the post-closing agreement expired Friday November 18, 2022 and that without a proper legal residential address, voting on a budget Monday November 21, 2022 was not advised due to State Statutes.

I am confident your Village Board can work together on pending future leadership choices. Every current board member has the best interest for Menomonee Falls 100% of the time.

### **2023 Budget:**

On November 21, 2022 your Village Board with a 3-3 vote denied the Administration's budget as presented. It has been reported that this is the first in Village history that a budget was not authorized on the regularly scheduled agenda. Clear direction was provided for positive changes. The Village Administration then provided your Village Board an opportunity to pass a working budget during the same meeting. A compromise was reached and a fully working budget with almost all necessary updates was passed 4-2. Updates that only re-allocate 1% of overall taxpayer funding.

I trust the Library Board will use the existing \$1,000,000 fund balance for the needed updates and maintenance in 2023. Our children deserve it. Village departments and directors should remain apolitical and not use taxpayer funds for activism. These resources need to be welcoming to everyone in our great Village

The Village of Menomonee Falls is an outstanding, growing and diverse community. Your Village Board and more importantly the Village Administration is working hard to insure that continues long into the future.

• **Trustee Steve Taggart** | Village of Menomonee Falls