Village of Germantown
Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees
September 15, 2026

The regular monthly Board meeting of the President and Board of Trustees for the Village of Germantown was held on September 15, 2026 at 7:00 pm. Those present included the following: Village President Duane Ripperda, Village Clerk Dawn Lakenburges and Trustees: Ken Albers, Michael Albers, Ken Brauer, Brad Schroeder, Jerald Schroeder and Jeremy Thole were present. Public Works Supt. Steve Mullins, Police Chief Dean Darnall, Police Officer Wyatt Laswell and Village Attorney Aaron Epplin were also present. Guests included Avery Hemker, Ali Brueggemann, and Sarah Attaway, Central HS students.

The minutes of the previous month's meetings were available for review. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trustee Brad Schroeder, seconded by Trustee Jeremy Thole. Motion carried.

Village President Duane Ripperda appointed Jared Zurliene to replace Gary Eversgerd on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustee Brad Schroeder made a motion to approve the appointment. Trustee Jeremy Thole seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Village President Duane Ripperda appointed Ryan Kohnen to another term on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustee Brad Schroeder made a motion to approve the appointment. Trustee Ken Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Village President Duane Ripperda appointed Dan Kohnen to another term on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to approve the appointment. Trustee Jeremy Thole seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Village President Duane Ripperda appointed Kevin Wilburn to another term on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustee Ken Albers made a motion to approve the appointment. Trustee Michael Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ripperda also forwarded information regarding the sale of the Red Deuce property. He was informed it was sold and is to be renovated for Barnyard Cycles to move in. More information will be shared when available.

Police Chief Dean Darnall introduced Officer Wyatt Laswell. Wyatt recently graduated from the Police Academy and after some training will be working the afternoon/evening shift for the Village. Everyone welcomed Laswell!

Supt. Steve Mullins said oiling is finished for this year and the maintenance department will be concentrating on Well 6 & & to get them operational.

Trustee Brad Schroeder, chairman of the Building & Equipment Committee said the committee met to review the boot allowance for the maintenance team. Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to raise the annual boot allowance to $250. Trustee Michael Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Jeremy Thole, chairman of the Street & Sidewalk Committee, said the committee discussed curbing but tabled it for now.

Thole then said he met with Germantown Elementary Supt. Martin Son about the one-way traffic ordinance the Village adopted last fall. Supt. Son is open to the plan but the tornado storm repair is to be started soon and then the new gym project shortly after. Some discussion on how to make the areas

safer included safety patrol, additional sidewalks, crosswalk lighting, etc. The issue will be revisited once these major projects are complete.

Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Trustee Brad Schroeder seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Ken Albers then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

