

Board of Education to order 6:15 p.m. Administrators present: Superintendent Deanna Wiatt, 7-12th Grade Principal Richard Dobbs, ECH-6th Principal Corey Peterson, and Finance Administrator Casey Pfaff. Board Members present: Terry Blaken, Becky Whalen, Kim Sacia, Geoff Rozek, Shane Zeman, and Kathy Dunn. All who were present then stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Zeman, second by Dunn, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Superintendent Wiatt travelled to Madison on Thursday, February 22nd to support the Titan wrestlers competing at the state level. At the completion of the state tournament, Macki Kaz placed 4th and Colton Koss placed 3rd. Gunnar Johnson (GET) also competed. In addition, she had the privilege of watching the girls basketball team compete in their second game of regionals. The outcome was not what was hoped for, but the girls had a great season. The boys basketball team was awarded Conference Champions and will take on Neillsville in their first round of playoffs. The DECA team left Sunday to compete at the State Conference in Lake Geneva; we wish them well! This is just a reminder that our small rural school district has a variety of offerings and very talented students!

In the last week of January, Superintendent Wiatt and Mr. Peterson met with area daycare providers to discuss the roll-out of the all-day, 5-days-a-week 4K program. Three providers were in attendance. Marketing work is being done to promote this program for our district – thank you Whitney Tollefson & Chelsea Parker!

A long-term plan is being established to balance the budget. With input from other districts, utilizing resources from financial management companies, and taking advice from financial advisors, this work is coming along. We do not have our insurance rates back yet.

ACT 20 update: a screener has not been chosen by the state for implementation. This timeline is very tight, as it is expected we will need to implement this for the 2024-2025 school year.

On Monday, February 19th, Melrose-Mindoro and GET co-hosted a professional development day at GET. Tim Brown from Solution Tree was the leader of the events throughout the day. Staff had the opportunity to partner with others who did the same job in the other district. The feedback has been positive and there have been requests to continue this partnership in the future.

Because an incentive was offered for staff to provide notice if they are intending to retire or resign at the end of the year, the hiring season has begun early. At this time, it is projected to keep all current staff and, due to the head start with recruitment, excellent candidates have applied for the open positions.

CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNITY:

1. Correspondence:
- Email from Scott Pilgrim (Augusta) thanking our school district for including the Augusta seniors in the boys basketball senior night held on February 8th.

- Email from Ken Thiede (D2 WIAA Wrestling Regionals announcer) praising our wrestling program of the character and sportsmanship exhibited by the Titan wrestlers. Wrestlers helped roll up mats, clean debris from bleachers, etc. In addition, he praised the wrestling program of inclusion; he witnessed this while a team picture was being organized – everyone was included.

2. Public Comment:
- Treston Frey: In support of allowing dual sport athletes.
- Matt Coats: In support of allowing dual sport athletes.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes from the previous month's Regular Board Meeting: Motion by Zeman, second by Rozek, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

2. Finance: Review of the expenditures and receipts through January. Motion by Whalen, second by Sacia, to approve the check summary & vouchers in the amount of \$3,215,044.56. Motion carried 6-0.

3. 2024-2025 School Calendar: Motion by Dunn, second by Sacia, to approve the 2024-2025 school calendar as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

4. Consider Early Graduation Request: Motion by Blaken, second by Whalen, to approve the early graduation request by Olympia Osgood. Motion carried 6-0.

5. Consider Revision to 7-12th grade Handbook (work release): Motion by Sacia, second by Dunn, to approve the implementation of the Employability Skills work release program in the 7-12th grade handbook. Motion carried 6-0.

6. Consider Allowing Athletes to Participate in Dual Sports: After discussion of primary sport declaration, policy content, identifying the pros and cons, and input from Mr. Dobbs and Athletic Director, Connie Craig, Motion by Sacia, second by Whalen, to trial allowing athletes to

compete in dual sports, with the following direction: Mr. Dobbs, Mr. Severson, and Connie Craig to create an excerpt in the Athletic Handbook to include a primary sport is to be identified and that this allowance to be re-evaluated after the 2023/2024 Spring sport season(s). Allowance is to start immediately for Spring sport athletes. Motion carried 6-0.

7. Approve CD Breakage & Purchase of 9-month CD: Motion by Zeman, second by Rozek, to break the (2) Activity Account CD (.95%) and purchase (2) Activity Account CD (4.5%). Motion carried 5-0; Blaken abstained.

8. Hear School Safety (ALICE) Drills: Motion by Dunn, second by Sacia, to acknowledge the ALICE drill completed in February 2024, the Tornado drill scheduled for April 2024, and fire drills performed monthly. Motion carried 6-0.

9. Personnel Report:
- Motion by Blaken, second by Whalen, to accept the resignations of Bill Allen, Assistant High School Football Coach; Zach Severson, Middle School Football Coach; Peter Kaz, Middle School Football Coach; Jeff Woodward, Mock Trial Coach; Isabelle Eichelt, Paraprofessional; Tara Tjerstad, District Nurse (resignation date change). Motion carried 6-0.

- Motion by Dunn, second by Rozek, to hire Zach Severson as High School Athletic Director and Mya Tepp as Assistant Track & Field Coach. Motion carried 6-0.

- There were no retirements.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Zeman, second by roll call vote, to move to Closed Session at 7:26PM. The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action pursuant to Wis. Stats 19.85 (1) (f) "Considering financial, medical, social, or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons".

Motion by Blaken, second by Zeman, to return to regular session at 8:16 PM. Motion carried 6-0.

qMotion by Dunn, second by Zeman, to adjourn at 8:17 PM. Motion carried 6-0.

Casey Pfaff
Finance Administrator
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STEVEN ELMER HASS D/O/D 12-31-2023

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 13

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 03/29/1959 and date of death 12/31/2023 was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W14170 County Road B, Fairchild, WI 54741

3. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is JULY 1, 2024.

5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

/s/ Elizabeth E. Storlie
Probate Registrar
March 19, 2024

Molly C. French
BILSKI & FRENCH, LLC
50556 S. Charles Street,
P.O. Box 218
Osseo, WI 54758
715-597-5300
Bar Number: 1056587

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Melrose-Mindoro Board of Education

Regular Monthly Board Meeting
February 26, 2024

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Board President Rick Paisley called the regular monthly meeting of the Melrose-Mindoro School

Town of Garden Valley Advertisement for road bids

Notice is hereby given, by the Town of Garden Valley, Jackson County, Wisconsin, that it will receive Bids for a double chip seal on a portion of Olson Rd.

The Contractor is responsible for all legal signing and traffic control. All work must comply with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation standard specifications for highway construction.

Conditions: It is the Town Board's desire that all work be completed by September 1st, 2024.

For specifications and project limits contact: Ronnie Casper, Chairman at 715-896-1965 and/or email townofgardenvalleychairman@pm.me

Bids must be in a sealed envelope marked "2024 Road Bid."

Bids will be accepted until 2:00 pm on Thursday, April 19th, 2024, at Town of Garden Valley Town Hall, W13760 State Rd. 121, Alma Center, WI 54611.

Bids will be opened at the Garden Valley Town Hall at 2:00 pm, Thursday, April 19th, 2024, and may be awarded at that time or at a later date.

The Town of Garden Valley reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid most advantageous to the Town. Consideration will be given to the town budget and project priorities. Respectfully Submitted by, Ronnie Casper, Chairman

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NOTICE OF TAX DEED Section 75.12 Wisconsin Statutes

The following are hereby notified that Jackson County is the owner and holder of tax certificates issued by the County Treasurer of Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, for the unpaid property taxes for the tax year of 2019 and previous years on the following described lands situated in said county and state to wit:

Last Known Owner:	Daniel E Heath
Parcel Number:	152-0143.0000
Address:	101 S Hayden St
Legal Description:	Lot 1, Block 4 Haydon's Addition to Merrilan, located in the Village of Merrilan
Last Known Owner:	Lisa Marie Williams
Parcel Number:	206-1164.0000
Address:	1354 Van Buren St
Legal Description:	Lot 39 Rye Bluff Addition, located in the City of Black River Falls
Last Known Owner:	Annetta M Gilbertson Hart (LKO)
Parcel Number:	032-0067.0010
Address:	N/A
Legal Description:	Part of the SW NE lying N of Hwy Centerline located in Sec 05, T20N, R03W in the Town of Manchester
Last Known Owner:	Theodore C Lindow (LKO)
Parcel Number:	206-2280.0005
Address:	N/A
Legal Description:	Part of outlot 1 of Plat of Outlots of City Black River Falls located in SW NE of Sec 15, T21N, R04W in the City of Black River Falls

Jackson County was awarded title to the above-named properties on March 18, 2024, due to non-payment of taxes. Attempts to contact the owners of record or their mortgage holders have been unsuccessful and therefore as per 75.12(3) Wis. Stats. This newspaper notice is provided as service. You are also notified that the amount for which the tract or parcel was sold will bear interest at 1% per month or fraction of a month from February 1 of the year of sale, plus ½% penalty as provided by law and that after the expiration of two months from the service of this notice upon you, Jackson County may sell the property by appropriate means at their discretion. Property owners should contact the Jackson County Treasurer's Office at 715-284-0206 in order to redeem their property before the two-month period has expired. Dated at Jackson County, Wisconsin this 28th day of March 2024.

Tabitha Chonka-Michaud
Jackson County Treasurer
Jackson County, Wisconsin

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING JACKSON COUNTY ZONING DEPARTMENT
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held in the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main Street, Black River Falls, Wisconsin on April 15, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. on the following:

- **CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST #2024-09** as requested by M & M Properties, LLC, on property known as Lot 25 located in the SE1/4-NW1/4, Section 3, T22N, R3W, Town of Adams, Jackson County, WI. The request is to allow for the operation of a Short-Term Rental in the R1 (Residential-Public water/sewer) District.
- **ZONE CHANGE PETITION #2024-10** as requested by Kevin Hanrahan, on properties known as Lot 7 and Lot 8 of Hideaway Acres located in the SE1/4-NE1/4, Section 26, T20N, R3W, Town of Manchester, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 10.00 acres of the R2 (Residential) District to the R6 (Residential-Rural Ag) District for the ability to have animals.
- **ZONE CHANGE PETITION #2024-11** as requested by Rudy Petersheim, on property located in the SE1/4-SE1/4, Section 15, T20N, R3W, Town of Franklin, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 13.00 acres; pending the survey, of the A1 (Agriculture) District to the R6 (Residential-Rural Ag) District for the construction of a single-family home and the ability to have animals.
- **ZONE CHANGE PETITION #2024-12** as requested by Samuel Mattison, on property located in the SE1/4-NW1/4, Section 36, T22N, R4W, Town of Adams, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 3.00 acres of the A1 (Agriculture) District to the R6 (Residential-Rural Ag) District for the construction of a single-family home and the ability to have animals.

The petitioner or their agent must attend the County's Public Hearing.
Jackson County Zoning Department
307 Main Street, Courthouse
Black River Falls WI 54615
715-284-0220
Jonathan.Hemp@Jacksoncountywi.gov
Rebecca.Ayers@Jacksoncountywi.gov
Dustin.McCune@Jacksoncountywi.gov
Mackade.Mella@Jacksoncountywi.gov

This public hearing is being held so that the Committee may hear those persons who have an interest in the proposed changes, and they will consider all input presented which will aid in their decision-making process. The decision of the Committee to either grant, conditionally grant or to deny any conditional use or subdivision request will be finalized at this public hearing. The Committee, following the public hearing, will make a recommendation to the full County Board for their final decision to either grant, conditionally grant, or to deny any proposed zone changes. Should you desire more information regarding the proposals, please call or visit the Jackson County Zoning Department, Telephone Number (715) 284-0220.

A Notice of this Petition will be forwarded to the Town Board. The Town officials will discuss this request and return a "TOWNSHIP POSITION" form. Thus, the Petitioner SHOULD contact the Town Chairman to explain his/her proposal and answer their questions. An effort has also been made to notify adjoining landowners of the proposal/s, so that they may contact the Town Chairman for more information and/or voice their concerns. To ensure that those interested have been notified, please share this notice with your neighbors. CONTACT THE TOWN CLERK FOR TOWN MEETING DATE and TIME.

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Dated this 19th day of March 2024.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION
Partisan Primary – August 13, 2024
And
General Election – November 5, 2024
Election of Presidential Electors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election to be held in the several cities, villages, towns, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin, on November 5, 2024, ten electors for President and Vice President of the United States, one for each congressional district and two for the state at-large, are to be elected. The names of presidential electors do not appear on the ballot, but each vote cast for a presidential candidate is a vote for the electors of the candidate. Independent candidates for President or Vice President may circulate nomination papers beginning July 1, 2024, and must file nomination papers with the Wisconsin Elections Commission no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 6, 2024. The Wisconsin Elections Commission is located at 201 W Washington Avenue, 2nd Floor, Madison, Wisconsin.

Partisan Primary and General Election

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a primary election will be held in the towns, villages, cities, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, and an election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The following officers are to be nominated and elected:

Congressional Officers

One United States Senator, for the term of 6 years, to succeed the present incumbent listed, whose term of office will expire on January 3, 2025:
Tammy Baldwin

Two Representatives in Congress, for the term of 2 years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose terms of office will expire on January 3, 2025:
3rd Congressional District Derrick Van Orden
7th Congressional District Tom Tiffany

Legislative Officers

One State Senator, for a term of 4 years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose term will expire on January 3, 2025:
Redistricting Disclaimer: On February 20, 2024, 2023 Wisconsin Act 94 was signed into law. The Act described the boundaries of new senate and assembly districts which will go into effect in November 2024. The districts and incumbents listed in this notice consist of those that are currently in place, not those that will be in place pursuant to the new redistricting law.
District 24 Patrick Testin

One Representative to the Assembly, for a term of 2 years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose term will expire on January 3, 2025:
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District 70 Nancy VanderMeer

District Attorneys

One District Attorneys, each for the term of four years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose terms of office will expire on January 6, 2025
Jackson County Emily Hynek

County Officers

County Officers for each county, for a term of 4 years, to succeed the present incumbents in the office of County Clerk, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, and Surveyor, whose terms of office will expire on January 6, 2025:
County Clerk Cindy Altman
Treasurer Tabitha Chonka-Michaud
Register of Deeds Shari Marg

For Candidates

The first day to circulate nomination papers is April 15, 2024, and the final day for filing

nomination papers is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 2024. Candidates for constitutional, congressional, and legislative officers file with the Wisconsin Elections Commission. All county partisan office candidates file with their respective county clerk. Congressional and legislative district boundaries are described in Chapters 3 and 4 of the Wisconsin Statutes by 2023 Wisconsin Act 94, which is available at: <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2023/related/acts/94>. The state legislative maps will be updated for the fall elections. The new maps can be viewed by clicking the "Download Data" option for the 2023 Wisconsin Act 94 legislative districts at: <https://gis-itsb.hub.arcgis.com/pages/district-maps>. Additional information regarding which legislators represent which districts is available at: <https://maps.legis.wisconsin.gov/?version=2022>.

Additional Information
Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.
DONE in the City of Black River Falls, this 19th day of March, 2024.
Cindy Altman, County Clerk, 307 Main Street, Black River Falls WI 54615
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TOWN OF CURRAN ANNUAL MEETING APRIL BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, April 16, 2024
7:00 PM - Curran Town Hall
The April board meeting will immediately follow adjournment of the annual meeting.

Genell Severson, Clerk

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NOTICE TOWN OF FRANKLIN Regular Monthly Meeting 7:00 P.M.

Wednesday, April 10, 2024
FRANKLIN TOWN HALL

Bree Lien, Clerk

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NOTICE SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 1 RESIDENTS: TOWN OF BROCKWAY

The Sanitary Dist. will be flushing water mains on
**TUESDAY, APRIL 9 &
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10**
As flushing may cause discoloration of water,
you may want to draw water for cooking
and drinking for those days.

JANN DAHL, SECRETARY/TREASURER
SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 1

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TOWN OF IRVING ANNUAL MEETING

Will be held on Tuesday,
April 16, 2024 at the
Irving Town Hall – 7:00 pm

Regular Monthly Meeting will follow.

Paula Proft, Clerk

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TOWN OF ALBION REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, April 9, 2024
at the Albion Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Regular monthly agenda will be followed.
Notice will be posted in regular posting places.

Joan Hanson, Clerk

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NOTICE TOWN OF MELROSE ANNUAL MEETING

will be held Tuesday, April 16th, 2024,
6:30PM at the Melrose Town Hall.
The regular monthly Town Board meeting
will follow the Annual Meeting.

Kim Torres, Clerk

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TOWN OF NORTH BEND RESIDENTS ONLY SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY SATURDAY, APRIL 13 • 8 AM - 2 PM W16302 Hall Rd

Recycling & regular trash collection.
White goods \$10.00 (Refrigerators, freezers, etc.)
TIRES WILL BE ACCEPTED
Tires - \$5.00 ea. up to 17" - must be off
the rim - larger tires \$20.00 ea.

****No mattresses or box springs*** Sarah Halderson, Clerk

TOWN OF ADAMS ANNUAL AND MONTHLY MEETING

The Annual Meeting will
be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024
at 7:00 pm in the town hall.

The Regular Monthly Meeting
will immediately follow the annual meeting.

Dale Ann Bohac, Clerk

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