

Hall in the City of Black River Falls on February 18, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. Alderpersons Ammann, Peloquin, Dougherty, Gearing-Lancaster, and Wussow were present. Alderperson E. Rave attended remotely via Zoom meetings. Alderpersons M. Rave and Busse were excused. Mayor J. Eddy presided.

1. There were no citizens in attendance.

2. The Department Head monthly reports were reviewed. Department heads present were Darryl Nelson, Travis Brown, Cara Hart, and Brad Chown. Jarod Meyer attended remotely via Zoom meetings. Mark Nordahl was excused.

3. The City Administrator and Alderperson Dougherty advised the quality of VoIP phone calls should be equal to or better than landline. There was a good turn out for the Make My Move launch call and local stakeholders are excited about the program. The Administrator also answered questions on Skyline Golf Course. He shared some of the financial struggles they have been experiencing for quite some time and advised they are seeking resolutions. If this isn't resolved, the management of the golf course could come back to the City which would require some difficult conversations. The clubhouse was included on the solar feasibility study to see if that could offset the high utility costs they experience year round.

4. Mayor Eddy shared that all of the EMS staff he has talked to are very happy with the new system and they feel less burnout.

5. The Street Superintendent addressed a question on the recurring water main breaks occurring on N. 8th Street. Water mains are ultimately the Water Department's responsibility, but it is believed the main lines are resting on top of sandstone and when the ground moves with the frost, the pipes do not move and end up breaking. This will most likely be addressed if/when we redo N. 8th Street, but trying to fix it now would require tearing up a large area of N. 8th Street. There was another water main break on Alder Street which also has one patch after another in one area.

6. The Mayor commented on the video Market & Johnson posted on the work that has been done at Marks Field and it looks good. The Parks & Recreation Director agreed, and the project is close to completion.

7. It was moved by Alderperson Wussow, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, to approve the vouchers for December 2025 Check #76412 - #76534 Totaling \$845,331.94. Motion carried.

8. It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson Peloquin, to approve the City Treasurer's Report for December 2025. Motion carried.

9. It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty,

seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, to approve the Revenue & Expense Reports for December 2025. Motion carried.

10. It was moved by Alderperson Wussow, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, to approve the vouchers for January 2026 Check #76535 - #76661 Totaling \$1,492,497.53. Motion carried.

11. It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson Wussow, to approve the City Treasurer's Report for January 2026. Motion carried.

12. It was moved by Alderperson E. Rave, seconded by Alderperson Ammann, to approve the Revenue & Expense Reports for January 2026. Motion carried.

13. It was moved by Alderperson Wussow, seconded by Alderperson Peloquin, to adjourn. Motion carried at 6:25pm.

It was moved by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty, to place on file the minutes of the February 23, 2026 Utility Commission meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Ammann, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, to approve the application for a Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor Alcohol Beverage

License from Docside, LLC for the premises located at N6600 River-view Drive contingent on the current licenses being surrendered by DJT Properties, LLC D.B.A. McSweet's Irish Pub. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson Ammann, to approve the application for a Temporary Alcohol Beverage License from Black River Falls Athletic Boosters, Inc. for the Falls Taste Festival on May 2, 2026 at 388 Melrose Street (Milt Lunda Memorial Arena). Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE 901** – An ordinance repealing and recreating Section 11.04 of the Code of Ordinances regarding garbage and rubbish collection was presented – 1st reading.

**ORDINANCE 902** – An ordinance repealing and recreating Section 1.57 of the Code of Ordinances regarding destruction of public records was presented – 1st reading.

It was moved by Alderperson Busse, seconded by Alderperson Wussow, to adjourn. Motion carried at 6:28pm.

A. Brad Chown  
City Administrator

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The Common Council met at City Hall in the City of Black River Falls on March 3, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. Alderpersons Ammann, Peloquin, Dougherty, and Gearing-Lancaster were present. Alderpersons Busse and Wussow attended remotely via Zoom meetings. Alderpersons M. Rave and E. Rave were excused. Mayor J. Eddy presided.

It was moved by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, seconded by Alderperson Peloquin, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February 3, 2026 Common Council meeting and approve as presented. Motion carried.

**CITIZENS IN ATTENDANCE**

There were no citizens in attendance.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

It was moved by Alderperson Busse, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty, to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting. Motion carried.

The Committee of the Whole met at City

**Melrose-Mindoro School District  
Board of Education  
Regular Meeting Agenda  
Monday, March 23, 2026 - 6:15 p.m.  
Administrative Office**

**CONVENE**

Call the meeting to order  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Public Notice  
Approval of the Agenda

**DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR REPORT  
CONNECTION WITH COMMUNITY**

1. Correspondence
2. Public Comment- *Public Comment is governed by Neola Policy #0167.3 and Wisconsin State Statute 19.8. Members of the public may request permission to speak on any item on the agenda for a maximum of three minutes. A form to speak to an agenda item is available by the entrance to the board room. The form must be filled out prior to the start of the meeting. The School Board will listen to the speaker but will not engage in a discussion at this time.*

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Minutes from the previous month's Regular Board Meeting
2. Finance Report
  - a. Review of Expenditures and Receipts through February
  - b. Approve Necessary Budget Changes
  - c. Act on Check Summary and Vouchers
  - d. Cash Flow Report
  - e. Activity Account Review
3. Personnel Report
  - a. Resignations
  - b. Hired Staff
  - c. Retirement

**DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND/OR TAKE ACTION, if Appropriate**

1. Approve Donations
2. Consider Changing May Regular Board Meeting from May 25 to May 18, 2026
3. Referendum Updates

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Board will discuss, consider, and, if appropriate, take action pursuant to Wis. Stat 19.85 (1) (c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercise responsibility.

The board, if appropriate, will return to open session following the closed session to take action on the items discussed in the closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*This meeting is a public meeting of the Board of Education for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public hearing. There may be a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.*

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STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0024236-12-0

Permittee: Village of Hixton , 145 E Main St, Hixton, WI, 54635

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Hixton Wastewater Treatment Facility, S Sechlerville Rd, Hixton, WI

Receiving Water And Location: groundwater in Upper Trempealeau River Watershed of the Buffalo - Trempealeau River Basin in Jackson County

Brief Facility Description: The Village of Hixton owns and operates the Hixton Wastewater Treatment Plant to treat domestic wastewater. The plant consists of two stabilization ponds and two seepage cells with an average design flow of 0.042 million gallons per day (MGD). In 2025 the actual annual average flow received by the plant was 0.0366 MGD and the annual average flow discharged to the seepage cells was 0.0297 MGD. A groundwater monitoring system exists to monitor impacts to groundwater. No significant operational changes occurred during the last permit term.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Holly Heldstab, 1300 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire, WI, 54701, (715) 492-0483, Holly.Heldstab@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Michael Chang, 1300 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire, WI 54701, (715) 491-3639, michael.chang@wisconsin.gov

The Department has tentatively decided that the above-specified WPDES permit should be re-issued.

Limitations and conditions which the Department believes adequately protect the receiving water are included in the proposed permit. Land application of waste shall be done in accordance with permit conditions and applicable codes. All land application sites shall be approved prior to their use. To receive a list of approved sites, or to be notified of potential approvals, contact the above-named basin engineer.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, or to request a public hearing, may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the above-named permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this public notice will receive a notification of the Department's final decision when the permit is issued. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination. If no comments are received on the proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit will be issued as proposed.

The Department may schedule a public informational hearing if requested by any person and shall schedule a public informational hearing if a petition requesting a hearing is received from 5 or more persons or if response to this notice indicates significant public interest pursuant to s. 283.49, Wis. Stats. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit, fact sheet and permit application, may be inspected and copied at either the above-named permit drafter's office or the above named basin engineer's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter or basin engineer for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (715) 492-0483 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (15 cents per page for copies and 7 cents per page for scanning) will be charged for information in the file other than the public notice, permit and fact sheet. Permit information is also available on the internet at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/PublicNotices.html>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.

NAME OF PUBLISHING NEWSPAPER: The Banner Journal, 409 E Main Street, Black River Falls, WI, 54615-1460

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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT  
JACKSON COUNTY  
Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims (Formal Administration)  
Case No. 26PR10  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
James A. Lippitt  
dob: 10/25/1959  
A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.

THE COURT FINDS:  
The decedent, with date of birth 10/25/1959 and date of death 04/14/2025 was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W13504 State Hwy 71, Melrose, WI 54642.

THE COURT ORDERS:  
1. The Petition be heard at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St., Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room Branch 1, before Circuit Court Judge/Circuit Court Commissioner Anna Becker on 4/1/2026 at 1:30pm.  
**You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.**  
2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 9th, 2026.  
3. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main Street, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room Br. 1.  
4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgment.  
5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.  
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call (715)284-0286 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

BY THE COURT:  
February 23, 2026  
Hon. Anna L. Becker  
Circuit Court Judge  
Kathryn D. Schmidt  
122 E. Oak St. Sparta, WI 54656, 608/269-4800  
Bar Number 1044811  
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STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
CIRCUIT COURT,  
JACKSON COUNTY  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
Andrew Carl Sternaman  
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)  
Case No. 26-PR-11  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth April 10, 1965, and date of death December 13, 2025, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N7399 S Odeen Rd., Black River Falls, WI 54615.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 9, 2026 .  
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.  
/s/ Elizabeth Storlie  
Probate Registrar  
March 3, 2026  
William Torhorst, Esq.  
Godfrey & Kahn, S.C.  
4825 Owen Ayres Ct, Suite 102  
Eau Claire, WI 54701  
715-930-1000  
Bar Number: 1107376  
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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT  
WASHINGTON COUNTY  
Plaintiff(s): LANDMARK CREDIT UNION  
555 S. Executive Dr.  
Brookfield, WI 53005  
-VS-

Defendant(s):  
MARIA C. KASBERGER  
903 Main St., Apt. A  
Black River Falls, WI 54615

Publication Summons and Notice (Small Claims)  
Case No. 26-SC-000332  
Publication Summons and Notice of Filing TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):  
You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above.  
The lawsuit will be heard in the following small claims court:  
Washington County Courthouse  
Telephone Number of clerk of court: 262-335-4341  
Address: 484 Rolfs Ave., West Bend, WI 53090  
on the following date and time:  
Date: 4/6/26  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
**If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you.**  
A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.  
You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court **before** the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county.  
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 262-335-4341 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.  
/s/ Michael A. Sosnay  
3/11/26  
Darnieder & Sosnay  
735 N. Water St., Ste. 205,  
Milwaukee, WI 53202  
414-277-1400  
State Bar No. 1059549  
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2026 MOSS BID NOTICE  
JACKSON COUNTY FORESTRY  
The Jackson County Forestry Department will accept sealed bids on 2 tracts of sphagnum moss totaling 34 acres and containing approximately 17,000 bales of moss. Moss contracts will be for three summers.  
Bids are due at the Forestry office, W9790 Airport Road, Black River Falls, WI 54615 no later than 9:00 a.m. on Friday, May 10, 2026. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, May 14, 2026, at the Forestry meeting. Prospectus maps are available at the Forestry office. A bid form is attached to each prospectus map and should be filled out completely for bidding. A bid bond of 10% of the total bid value or a minimum of \$250.00 must accompany each bid. A personal check or money order is acceptable. Bid bonds may be rounded to the nearest \$10.00. The bid bond of the successful bidder will be retained as a performance bond. Each tract bid must be enclosed in a separate envelope. Jackson County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.  
Bids should be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked "moss bid" on the outside. Contact James Zahasky, Forest Administrator, for detailed information (715) 284-8475.  
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STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
CIRCUIT COURT,  
JACKSON COUNTY  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BAYARD L.R. RENNINGER III  
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)  
Case No. 26-PR-12  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth 04/08/1963 and date of death 02/04/2026, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W14782 Crave Road, Fairchild, WI 54751.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 11, 2026.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.  
ARIC D. BURCH  
GROSSKOPF & BURCH, LLC  
1324 W. Clairmont Avenue, #10  
Eau Claire, WI 54701  
715-835-6196  
Bar Number: 1059093  
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STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
CIRCUIT COURT,  
JACKSON COUNTY  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
DARLENE L. LUNDE  
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)  
Case No. 26-PR-13  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth 04-15-1939 and date of death 02-08-2026, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 331 4th Street, PO Box 188, Taylor, WI 54659.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 12, 2026 .  
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.  
/s/ Elizabeth Storlie  
Probate Registrar  
March 3, 2026  
Attorney Mark A. Radcliffe  
107 Main Street  
Black River Falls, WI 54615  
715-284-1234  
Bar Number: 1033727  
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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT  
JACKSON COUNTY  
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF Orlando Flynn Hill  
Amended Notice of Name Change Hearing  
Case No. 26CV12  
NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: Orlando Flynn

Hill  
To: Amir Yusuf Oceans  
Birth Certificate: Orlando Flynn Hill  
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Jackson County, State of Wisconsin:  
Judge's Name: Honorable Daniel S. Diehn  
Place: Jackson County Courthouse, Br. 2., 307 Main Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615  
Date: April 10, 2026  
Time: 3:00 p.m.  
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-284-0250 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

NOTICE TO NEWSPAPER AND PETITIONER: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the following newspaper, The Banner Journal.  
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Advertisement for Bids  
Proposed Toilet and Shower Building  
Jackson County Forestry Parks  
West Arbutus, Hatfield, WI  
The Jackson County Forestry Parks will accept sealed bids until 9:00 am on Tuesday April 7th, 2026, at the Jackson County Forestry and Parks Office, W9790 Airport Road, Black River Falls WI. 54615. It is solely the Bidders responsibility to ensure the bid is received at the designated place on time. Bids will be opened and read aloud at that time.  
Bids are for a proposed 936 sq. ft. one-story, slab-on-grade, masonry toilet and shower building. Outside of the bid envelope shall be marked, "Sealed Bid-Proposed Toilet and Shower Building, Jackson County, Hatfield, WI.  
Lump sum bids will be accepted as follows:  
1) General Contract – including Site Work, General Construction, Electrical, HVAC, Plumbing  
Bids are to include all labor, materials equipment, and all else necessary for completion of project. Successful bidder will be required to provide a performance guarantee in the form of a 100% Performance and Payment Bond.  
Bid documents may be obtained from Ratsch Engineering Company, Ltd., 547 Hewett Street, P.O. Box 189, Neillsville, WI 54456. Phone: (715) 743-2240 or FAX (715) 743-4469. Request for plans to be mailed shall be accompanied by a non-refundable fee of \$20 to cover postage and handling.  
No bid will be received or considered unless accompanied by a Bid Bond or Certified Check in the amount of 5% (five percent) of the bid payable to the Jackson County Forestry Parks as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute and file the proper contract and performance security within ten days from the date the bid is accepted. In the event, the bidder fails to execute the contract and security within the time set by the Owner, the bid security shall be forfeited to the Owner as liquidated damages.  
Owner reserves the right to retain the bid security of the three lowest responsible bidders. When the agreement is executed, the bid security of the two remaining unsuccessful bidders will be returned.  
Owner will accept the bid and award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder subject to the terms contained in the project manual. The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any technicality, and to accept any bid which it deems advantageous to the Owner. No bids may be withdrawn for 45 days after the day of the bid opening.  
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