

RIO VILLAGE BOARD-December 1, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by President James Olrick. Present were Trustees Keith Kilen, Heidi Husom, Jon Landsverk, James Stilson, Stan Stofflet, DPW Robert Lang, Chief Jeff Becker, Spencer Tracy, Library Director Roxanne Staveness and Jennifer Prochnow were present.

Agenda:

MOTION Stofflet/Stilson to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes:

MOTION Landsverk/Kilen approve the minutes of the November 3 Board Meeting and the November 17 Committee meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing on Budget:

Open Public Hearing:

MOTION Stofflet/Landsverk to call the public hearing to order to discuss the 2026 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION: No comments were made during the public hearing.

Close Public Hearing and

MOTION Kilen/Husom to close the public hearing for the 2026 budget. to approve finalizing the 2025 budget with amendments (see attachment). Motion carried unanimously.

Finalize 2025 Budget with amendments:

MOTION Landsverk/Stofflet to finalize 2025 budget with amendments. Motion carried unanimously.

2026 Library Budget:

MOTION Stilson/Landsverk to approve Library Levy in the amount of \$100,233.00. Motion carried unanimously.

2025 Tax Levy and adopt 2026 Budget:

DISCUSSION: The Board reviewed the levy amount of \$535,342.00 and the 2026 Budget. The approximate mill rate will be .0057006890.

MOTION Stofflet/Landsverk to adopt the 2025 Tax Levy as \$535,342.00 and the 2026 Budget. The approximate mill rate will be .0057006890. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Report:

DPW Lang reported that the valve that needs to be replaced at the Waste Water Treatment Plant they will do a spring/summer discharge to repair it.

A. Consider motion to approve a sewer and water rate increase.

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the sewer and water rate increase of 3 %.

MOTION Kilen/Husom to approve the sewer and water rate increase of 3%. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider motion to approve 2026 Sewer and Water Budget.

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the 2026 Sewer and Water Budget.

MOTION Stofflet/Landsverk to approve the 2026 Sewer and Water Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Library Report:

Library Director Staveness gave the Library report.

Police Report:

Chief Becker reported that the squad needs a tune up.

Appoint Election Inspector's for 2026-2027.

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the Election Inspector's.

MOTION Kilen/Landsverk to approve the 2026-2027 Election Inspectors. Motion carried unanimously.

Appoint Plan Commission Member.

DISCUSSION: Members discussed adding Jeff Becker to the Plan Commission.

MOTION Landsverk/Stofflet to approve adding Jeff Becker to the Plan Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance:

A. Invoices

DISCUSSION: The invoices were reviewed.

MOTION Stilson/Landsverk to approve the invoices with additions. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider motion to approve 2026 Municipal Insurance.

MOTION Kilen/Husom to approve the 2026 Municipal Insurance. Motion carried unanimously.

Municipal Court:

A. Review and consider approval of the 2026 Municipal Court Budget.

DISCUSSION: Kilen reported that they will be hiring a part time clerk. They have enough in the reserve fund to cover a shortfall. They will attempt to meet quarterly instead of one time a year. They will review in March to see the status of her hiring a deputy.

MOTION Stofflet/Stilson to approve the 2026 Municipal Court Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Fire Association:

Trustee Stofflet reported that the fire department will be selling two vehicles and will be purchasing another one.

Upcoming Meetings:

Board meeting will be held on Monday, January 5 at 6:00 pm.

MOTION Kilen/Landsverk to adjourn at 6:20 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Recording: Amy Stone, Clerk