

within classes of property; (2) inequities may exist between classes of property; (3) all properties are viewed for any changes, such as finishing a basement or removing a shed; (4) a municipality must be at 100% of market value at least once in a four year period to stay in compliance with state laws. Employees of Gardiner Appraisal Service, LLC will be stopping by during the day to view the exterior of all buildings within the village. All employees will have a picture ID that will identify them as an employee of Gardiner Appraisal Service, LLC. If someone is home, Gardiner Appraisal Service, LLC employees may request permission to view the interior. If it is not a convenient time, or if no one is home, Gardiner Appraisal Service, LLC will mail a postcard for an evening appointment at a later date. The appointments are scheduled by neighborhoods, or within specific areas. The appointments are tightly scheduled, so it is important that you be there at the appointed time. This is the most efficient and cost effective way. If you are not available, you may designate someone else to be present during the appointment. If you are unable to keep that appointment, another daytime appointment will be sent to you via certified mail. This is to officially notify you, as required by law, that you will lose your appeal rights if the assessors are not allowed to view the interior of the house. If you are unable to make any of the scheduled appointments, please call Gardiner Appraisal Service, LLC to see if another time is available. It will take several months to complete all of the appointments. More

information on this subject will be posted on our Village website at: [villageofmerrimac.org](http://villageofmerrimac.org).

With no further matters to be brought before the Village Board, Hahn/Malmberg moved to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald D. Senger, Administrator

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**CALENDAR REMINDERS**

**VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 6:00

**BRUSH PICK-UP DATES**  
**SEPTEMBER 14 & 28**  
Please place your yard waste at curbside in CLEAR plastic bags (or in neat 4' x 4'x4' piles).

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Avoid lines! If you are a Village resident and are not yet registered to vote, you can find the voter registration form and instructions on the Village website.

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SOZO Kids' (Superhero Fun Run/Activities)  
Charlie's Lakeside Country Store  
Palmer Manufacturing  
And we sincerely appreciate the dedicated support of all of our festival volunteers!

# VILLAGE VOICE

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## Minutes of the Village Board Meeting of August 11, 2016

President Hahn called the Village Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members present upon roll call included Nick Hahn, Jim Malmberg, George Naxera, Jeff Rasmussen and Garry Bahe. Also present was Village Administrator, Ron Senger.

President Hahn examined the affidavit of posting and verified that advance public notice of the meeting conformed to the proper statutory requirements.

### Public Input:

Ron mentioned Mr. Jack Fobes, a resident from Caledonia Township, had recently approached him asking if the Village Board would consider allowing Wisconsin DOT/DMV-licensed Utility Vehicles (UTV) to travel on some identified Village streets. Mr. Fobes didn't present enough details at this time to add the subject as a formal agenda item prior to this meeting; therefore Ron briefly informed the Board that Mr. Fobes may submit a future request at an upcoming meeting. The trustees expressed initial safety concerns and tabled the discussion to await Mr. Fobes' proposal.

Bahe/Naxera moved to approve payment of the bills as listed on the agenda. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried.**

Hahn/Malmberg moved to approve the monthly balance sheet for July, 2016. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried.** Following some additional brief discussion, Hahn/Bahe moved to approve the budget comparison report for July. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried.**

Malmberg/Naxera moved to approve the draft Minutes of the July 11, 2016 Village Board meeting. **Motion carried.**

The Board considered applications for operator's permits for two bartenders, one for the Varsity Club and also one for CG's Pub & Grub. All conditions pertaining to the applications were met. Malmberg/Bahe moved to grant the permits. As business partner for the Varsity Club, Rasmussen abstained. **Motion carried.**

### Administrator's Report:

Ron distributed Minutes of the Sauk Prairie School Board meetings held on 6/13/16, 6/27/16 and 7/11/16; he also provided meeting minutes for the Merrimac Area Fire Commission meeting held on 6/6/16. Ron briefly summarized the Village Inspection Report for 8/3/16, noting that many compliments were received on behalf of the Village staff, including Justin Schultz, Jeff Voll and Tana Holmblad. All of their hard work, planning and organization contributed to the resulting outstanding appearance of the Village and our parks leading up to our festival. The results of their labor were duly noted by many on our

community festival day.

Ron summarized the preliminary results of the festival and reported a solid turnout of attendees with net profits similar to last year's results. Approximately 1,800-2,000 guests came to the festival throughout the day, with the peak crowd present during the first water ski show (estimated at 1,200 people). Ron also noted he will hold a final 2016 Festival Planners' Meeting at 6pm on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. At this meeting the volunteer planners will discuss vendor feedback along with lessons learned and any potential identified improvements, or changes for the 2017 festival.

Ron reported 70 Village residents voted during the Partisan Primary Election that was held on Tuesday, August 9th. These voters represented approximately 24% of the Village's total registered voters on our official poll list, surpassing the overall statewide average participation of only 16% for the Partisan Primary Election.

**Water Operations:** (nothing to report)

**Sewer Operations:** (nothing to report)

**Planning & Zoning:** (nothing to report)

### Assessment Revaluation:

A revaluation of property within the Village of Merrimac is scheduled to be completed for the 2017 assessment year. Revaluations are necessary periodically for the following reasons: (1) inequities may exist

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