VILLAGE OF ELLSWORTH SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
July 20, 2026, 5:00pm
130 N. Chestnut St. Lower-Level Boardroom (East Rear Entrance)

Members Present: President Beissel, Trustees T. Hines, D. Hines, Borner, Traynor, and Austin (virtual).
Staff Present: Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer Roy, Attorney Loberg
Public Present: Andrew Harrington (press), other present virtually

Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 12pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited
3. Public comment on non-agenda items. No comments received

Closed Session:

4. The Board adjourned to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. **MSC D. Hines/Borner** to adjourn to closed session. Roll Call Vote. **T. Hines recused from voting. Motion carried, without a negative vote.**

    a. Discussion and action, if any recommended or required, on pending injunction action against Trustee, Tony Hines, case number 2026CV000140.

       T. Hines provided the Board with his description of the incident and left the room prior to Board discussion.

MSC Traynor/Borner to reconvene to open session. Roll Call Vote. **Motion carried, without a negative vote. (T. Hines not present in the room).**

MSC Traynor/D. Hines to provide defense to Trustee Hines in case 2026CV000140 due to the incident occurring due to T. Hines being a Village Board Trustee. **T. Hines recused from voting. Four in favor, one opposed (Austin). Motion carried.**

MSC Borner/Traynor to adjourn. **Motion carried, without a negative vote.**

Respectfully submitted by Brad Roy, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer