

**VILLAGE OF ELLSWORTH COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**BANKS TOWNSHIP HALL**  
**October 6, 2025**

Present: J. Rasmussen, S. Sowers, S. Dhillon, M. Drenth, Al Drenth, L. Spearing, Gregg McCallum, M. Bennett, and M. Potter

Others: Tina Sundelius.

**2025 Accomplishments:** (From Feb. 25 Priorities List)

- Mark Walkways
- Install Playground Equipment
- Create the Appointment of Clerk & Treasurer
- Handicap Accessible Kayak Launch

**Goals & Priorities: Discussion-**

- Invasive Species cleanup @ River Park
- Beach markers-Set up by Sheriffs Dept
- New Dock (VanDellin) Ribbon Cutting-June
- Recreation Plan completed-Rotary Charities-Grant
- Redevelopment Ready Community Complete
- Job Descriptions completed by December Mtg.
- Ask DDA to get Housing Committee together
- REVIEW & UPDATE BUDGET—Village Council, Each Meeting Nov. 25 thru Jan. 26
- Fence @ Sports Park to prevent driving off drive-Grant
- Apply for Safe Walk to School Grant
- Replace broken water meters & provide for newly built homes

**Roles & Responsibilities:**

- River Park invasive species & markers set: J. Rasmussen/Tex Drenth/County-Spring 26
- **Parks & Rec Committee** (S. Dhillon, A. Drenth, G. McCallum)-research pricing for campground, pavilion, boat slips, camper storage-provide recommendations by January 2026
- Sewer-J. Rasmussen will get EGGLE rep to November meeting.
- Grants-L. Spearing will apply for grants to pay for Rec Plan (Nov 25), Sports Park fencing (Spring 26) & Safe Walks to School (Jan. 2026).
- Redevelopment Ready designation by January 2026-T. Sundelius
- Finish Job Descriptions & Create Human Resources Committee—S. Dhillon by December 25
- Install Electricity at Community Square—J. Rasmussen ASAP
- Get New Water Meters Purchased & Installed—J. Rasmussen & Tex Drenth ASAP
- Explore Bridge & Lake Streets Culvert Options—J. Rasmussen ASAP

- Continue & Expand Ordinance Enforcement—G. McCallum ASAP  
(Sound, Nuisance, Short Term Rentals)
- **Finance & Budget Committee**-J. Rasmussen, M. Drenth, L. Spearing
- **Streets, Lights, Water, Solid Waste Committee**-S. Sowers, M. Bennett
- **Ordinance, Law Enforcement & Safety**-M. Bennett, J. Rasmussen
- **Planning Commission Rep**- L. Spearing

**ADJOURN: MOTION** by S. Sowers/seconded by M. Bennett to adjourn at 7:50 PM. **CARRIED** 7-0.

Marlene Drenth, Village Clerk