

Village of Germantown Hills
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2026, 5:00 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call**-Tom Eckstein called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm, and roll call was taken.

Village President/Trustees	Roll Call	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tom Eckstein-Chair	Present	Y	Y					
Karl Figg– Village President	Absent	-	-					
Heather Armistead	Absent	-	-					
Nathan Henricks	Present	Y	Y					
Sarah Diesel	Present	A	Y					

Also, Present:

Elizabeth Cunningham, Village Trustee
Zack Hecht, Superintendent of Public Works
Karl Figg, Village President was on the phone.

- 2. Public Comments**-None

- 3. Finance Committee Minutes Approval**

a. December 1, 2025, meeting minutes

A motion was made by Nathan Henricks to approve December 1, 2025, finance committee meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Tom Eckstein. Motion didn't pass.

Sarah Diesel was not in attendance at the December meeting in order to vote in favor of the minutes. The minutes will be considered at the next meeting.

- 4. Discussion on the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for FY26-27 with Recommended Changes**

Tom Eckstein stated each section of the budget for revenues and expenses would be reviewed and discussed. Tom explained why some of the revenues were different for this year. He noted we looked at where we were last year and what might have changed before setting the numbers for the new year.

Ann Doubet explained the MFT numbers for this year.

Elizabeth Cunningham had to leave the meeting at 5:25 p.m.

The committee reviewed and discussed several line items.

Nathan Henricks asked if we could separate out all the legal FOIA expenses. Ann will confirm with the attorney.

The committee discussed the garbage costs and revenues. Ann will check on the dates of the contract.

At the next meeting the board will consider bids received on three projects which include Oak Grove Park Phase 2 Trail/Improvements, Ten Mile Creek crosswalk connection, and the easement connection between the two Oak Grove Parks. Ann is getting an estimate on the different phases at J.R. White Park so that the board can consider how much to put into the new budget for this year for park improvements.

Zack Hecht stated the older F150 may need to be replaced in the near future.

Sarah Diesel noted a new street sweeper may be needed too.

The committee discussed putting funds aside for future vehicle and equipment purchases.

Ann Doubet noted that her and Heather Armistead discussed putting funds aside for equipment and park improvements, similar to how the board has put funds aside for street maintenance. This way the Village could build up balances for future purchases.

Tom reviewed the levy funds and sewer revenues and expenses.

Ann Doubet noted once we see the bids on the projects the board will need to decide how much they want to put into other park/sidewalk improvements. A determination will need to be made on whether or not to apply for the grant for J.R. White Park this fall and/or the ITEP grant. Ann will check with Metamora to see what their plan is as well.

Tom reviewed with the committee the Appropriation Ordinance numbers that are similar to last year.

Ann will send the ordinance to the attorney to confirm everything is in order.

The committee discussed starting the review process earlier next year.

5. **Adjournment**-A motion was made by Nathan Henricks to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. The motion was seconded by Tom Eckstein. Motion passed #2.

Ann Doubet, Village Clerk