

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>. 2022

MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Village President R. Giese called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:** Present R. Giese president, Trustees Present: M. Martinez, T. Madsen B. Nelson, B. Ebert, E. Schmidt

**Absent:** A. Bahr, B. Carroll and J. Kristof

**Others Present:** Jeff Brady & Jeff Wolford from CBS

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by T. Madsen, second by M. Martinez to approve the agenda as written.....Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**MOTION TO DEVIATE FROM THE ORDER OF AGENDA, IF NECESSARY:** Motion by E. Schmidt, second by B. Ebert to deviate from the order of the agenda..... Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**PUBLIC ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS INPUT:** Jeff Brady thanked the board for hiring his son John for lawn work over the summer. He presented five concerns: R. Giese responded to the questions.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

*(The Consent Agenda contains routine items and will be enacted by one motion without separate discussion unless someone requests an item be removed for separate consideration and vote.)*

- A. Previous Monthly Minutes from Special Board Meeting September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022, additions, or corrections if necessary.
- B. Committee Reports A through F. a. Protective Service/Fire Board: Motion to accept agenda as presented by T. Madsen, seconded B. Nelson. 1. Reviewed monthly police report with officer Creapeau. 2. Public Nuisance was nothing to be added. 3. Fire Board – no issues. 4. 1118 Bartelt Street was discussed. 5. 920 Mader Street was discussed. 6. Nothing to be added. 7. Adjourned. Motion to adjourn by B. Nelson, seconded A. Bahr. Electric: Motion to accept agenda as presented by Blaine seconded Michelle. 1. Waiting on windows, place is wrapped. 2. Still fully staffed, discussion to be had with employees now that Joey is trained. 3. Truck is ordered. Just waiting. 4. Need to know what are current insurance rates are, and what the comparable are for new polices, costs ETC. Motion to adjourn by Blaine, seconded Michelle. Personnel: Motion to accept agenda as presented by T. Madsen, seconded B. Nelson. 1. LWM is coming up. 2. Upcoming trainings. 3. Review employees insurance and cost to village and employees 5. Adjourned. Motion to adjourn by B. Nelson, seconded T. Madsen. Public Works: Motion to accept agenda as presented by Art, seconded Michelle. 1. Parts are on order. 2. Sewer: 1. The generator is still on order. 2. Project still on hold. 3. Discussion regarding garbage move on to board. Parks: 1. Discussion regarding T-Mobile Grant. Street: 1. Street is in the works of being finished. 2. Christmas Street decoration on hold. Motion to adjourn by Michelle, seconded Art. Planning: Motion to accept agenda as presented by Nelson seconded Schmidt. Bahr gave an update on new and upcoming grants, vibrant Spaces, T-Mobile. Motion to adjourn by Schmidt, seconded Nelson. Finance: Motion to accept agenda as presented by Ebert, seconded Schmidt. Village: A. Reports: Kristof presented the village bills

including out of ordinary expenses. Motion by Ebert to accept bills, seconded Schmidt. Approved. 2. Unfinished Business: A. S. Main & Fischer Street: Being paved, waiting for streetlights. B. Employee Health Ins: State says we must go 88-12% payments. C. Lift station parts replacement: on hold. D. Rate Increase on garbage, etc.: 38K for containers. Rate may go up \$15.00 per month. E. Contract for 4 Seasons: Same rates as before. Motion to ok rates increase of \$2.00 /month by Schmidt, second Ebert. Approved. New Business: A. Friends of Public Power: Same as last years a campaign in for Public power lobbyists. Motion by Schmidt to donate \$500.00 to Lobbyist firms second by Ebert. Approved. B. Another Issue: Giese was told the RR right of way may be for sale. Will find out more. 4. Utilities Reports: A. Electric: Carroll report the electric expenses. Alliant's bills have gone up substantially over the past few months. Total Electric expenses: \$71,880.44 + 193, Motion by Schmidt to pay the bills, second Ebert. Approved. B. Water: Carroll discussed all bills, total 21,202.97. Motion by Ebert, second by Schmidt to pay the bills, Approved. C. Sewer: Carroll again presented the expenses. Total 16,384.45. Motion by Schmidt, second by Ebert Approved. 5. Other business: None. Motion to adjourn by Schmidt, second Ebert. Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by B. Nelson, second by M. Martinez .....Motion carried 6 YEA 0NAY

**WATER: Financial Report:** Motion by E. Schmidt, second by B. Ebert to approve the water bills for the month of September 2022, in the amount of \$21,202.97 with any transfer if necessary.....Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**SEWER: FINANCIAL REPORT:** Motion by B. Nelson, second by M. Martinez to approve the sewer bills for the month of September 2022. in the amount of \$16,384.45 with any transfer if necessary ..... Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Discussion and possible action on main lift station parts replacement for PJ Kortens & Company, Inc. Nothing yet.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ELECTRIC UTILITY: FINANCIAL REPORT:** Motion by T. Madsen, second by B. Ebert to approve and pay the electric bills for the month of September 2022, in the amount of \$265,278.83 with any transfer if necessary .... Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**GENERAL VILLAGE: FINANCIAL REPORT:** Motion by M. Martinez, second by E. Schmidt to approve and pay September 2022, bills along with the payroll in the amount of \$63,883.82 and to transfer the money from the saving account into the General Fund .....Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: 1. UPDATE ON MAIN STREET AND FISCHER STREET**

**PROJECT:** Jeff discussed the Schabow Street project we're waiting for grant money. Main and Fischer Streets: most driveways are done and will finish the surface coat by the weekend weather permitting. Jeff further discussed the funding summary for the project,

**A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR CHANGE ORDER FOR ADVANCE**

**CONSTRUCTION.** Motion by E Schmidt, second by B. Ebert to approve the Change Order for Advance Construction in the amount of \$3,342.80.....Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR REVISION FOR CBS SQUARED ENGINEERING AGREEMENT.** Jeff presented the revisions from the original contract. Motion by M. Martinez, second by B. Nelson.....Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**2. UPDATE ON HOUSING STUDY:** Nothing yet.

**3. UPDATE ON COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT:** Covered by CBS

**4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR PARKS PROJECT AND GRANT. E.** Schmidt reported they are working on some grants. E. Schmidt and A. Bahr will be working on other grants over the winter.

**5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR EMPLOYEES HEALTH INSURANCE.** Brea Carroll discussed and presented the insurance options. Discussion by the board members. Brea recommended the United Health's Traditional Plan (CXFV). Motion by E. Schmidt, second by B. Ebert to go with the CXFV .....Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE FOR RATE INCREASE ON GARBAGE, RECYCLING, AND CONTAINERS RATE.** New garbage pickup rate will increase \$15.00/month. And to motion for the rate increase and to purchase garbage/ recycle cans by M. Martinez, second by B. Ebert .....Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR NEW CONTRACT FOR 4 SEASONS DISPOSAL INC.** Motion by E. Schmidt, second by B. Nelson to except 4 Seasons contract as presented to the Village Board.....Motion carried. 6 YEA 0 NAY

**8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF OWNER'S DAM SAFETY.** Tabled

**NEW BUSINESS: 1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR THREE OPERATOR'S LICENSE.** Motion by B. Nelson second by E. Schmidt to approve the two operator's license .....Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON FRIENDS OF PUBLIC POWER.** Motion by E. Schmidt, second by B. Nelson to approve Friends of Public Power for a donation of \$500.00.....Motion carried 6 YEA 0 NAY

**TOPICS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA FOR THE NEXT BOARD MEETING:** Jeff's concerns see attached

**MEETING TO BE ATTENDED:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**ADJOURNMENT** Motion by B. Nelson second by M. Martinez to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m..... Motion carried 6 YEA 0

  
Rick Giese, Village President

  
Tom Madsen, Trustee