

Village Board Meeting – November 13, 2017

On November 13, 2017, the Village Board meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 613 Main Street. Members present: President Stene, Trustees Burcham, Rihn, Jenson, Wolff, Davis and Burcham. Others present included Rick Johnson, Police Chief Anderson, Director of Public Works Bates, Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Niggemann and LeAnn Ralph with the Messenger.

Minutes - Regular Board Meeting October 23, 2017 - A motion was made by Trustee Halpin and seconded by Trustee Rihn to approve the Regular Board meeting minutes from October 9, 2017. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Jenson, Rihn, Burcham and Stene. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Training Request – none

Facility Rental – none

Licenses - none

Town of Colfax Temporary Construction Easement – A motion was made by Trustee Halpin and seconded by Trustee Rihn to approve the Temporary Construction Easement for 810th Street by the Village Dump. Voting For: Trustees Burcham, Rihn, Jenson, Wolff, Davis, Halpin and Stene. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Street Privilege/Use Permit –Timber Technologies LLC – A motion was made by Trustee Rihn and seconded by Trustee Wolff to approve the Street Privilege/Use Permit to Timber Technologies LLC to allow empty semis/semi-trailers from Hwy 40 west on Third Ave. and then north onto Cedar Street to the Timber Technology loading parcel and exit on Legion Drive to Hwy 40. Voting For: Trustees Burcham, Rihn, Jenson, Wolff, Davis, Halpin and Stene. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Other discussions included looking at the signage to see if there is updating needed and the End Loader or Skid Steer being loaded and traveling down Cedar Street to Fifth Ave. to either Willow Street or Elm Street to Timber Technologies place of business. Should there be a dedicated route? Should Timber Technology travel with loaded equipment? These items will be discussed at a later meeting. The Village realizes that Timber Technology LLC is one of the larger employers and would like to work with them.

Weber Inspections 2018 Contract – A motion was made by Trustee Rihn and seconded by Trustee Davis to approve the 2018 contract for Weber Inspections. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Jenson, Rihn, Burcham and Stene. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Weber inspections will not be changing any rates for 2018 and he has already been issuing the permits electronically to the State so the Village is in compliance.

Bauman Associates Engagement letter for the 2017 Audit – A motion was made by Trustee Halpin and seconded by Trustee Wolff to approve the 2017 Audit engagement letter. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Jenson, Rihn, Burcham and Stene. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Water System Alarm and Backup System for the Wells – Bates explained that the monitoring system has been giving false information since June when we had reviewed the estimates for repairs after the low water issue with the wells or tower. L.W. Allen has been here three times since June. Last week, the tower was giving concerning levels and L.W. Allen's service call indicated that the system was programed incorrectly at a previous visit. So as of today, Bates feels that the issue has been corrected. Bates feels that the monitoring system is not an emergency any longer.

A motion was made by Trustee Jenson and seconded by Trustee Rihn to hold off on the monitoring system upgrade until 2018 unless problems continue in 2017, but the phone line should be acted upon now so that it is

ready. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Jenson, Rihn, Burcham and Stene. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Lift Station Boiler Replacement – An estimate has been received from Kelly Heating and Electric to change the heat source from a boiler to forced air. The cost for the new system is \$4,595, the cost for repair for the current system would be approximately \$800 plus the cost for temporary heat of \$300. Bates explained that the lift station has temporary heat. Due to the delay in service and communication from the current vendor, Bates would like to get some estimates from another vendor for a replacement of the lift station Boiler. Action on this item will be put on hold until Bates gets another estimate and opinion.

2018 Health Insurance Renewal Information – Niggemann explained that the Village signed a two year commitment with WEA Trust for coverage in 2017 and 2018. The renewal premium is estimated to be an eight percent increase. No action necessary.

2018 Preliminary Budget – The Village Board reviewed the preliminary budget numbers to discuss any projects or items of concern to allow time to research or look into prior to the next meeting, Audit and Finance Committee scheduled for November 15, 2017 at 6 p.m.

Review/Approval – Bills – October 23, 2017 – November 12, 2017 – A motion was made by Trustee Halpin and seconded by Trustee Jenson to approve the October 23, 2017 to November 12, 2017 bills. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Jenson, Rihn, Burcham and Stene. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Closed Session- A motion was made by Trustee Rihn and seconded by Trustee Halpin to convene into closed session pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session regarding land purchase consideration at 8:44 p.m. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Jenson, Rihn, Burcham and Stene. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Open Session- The Village Board reconvened into open session at 9:41 p.m. No action was taken, but discussion occurred regarding the East View Development.

Adjourn – A motion was made by Trustee Halpin and seconded by Trustee Davis to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 p.m. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Jenson, Rihn, Burcham and Stene. Voting Against: none. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

Gary Stene, Village President

Attest: Lynn Niggemann
Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer