

Regular Village Board Meeting – February 27, 2017

On February 27, 2017, the Village Board meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, 613 Main Street, Colfax, WI. Members present: Trustees Burcham, Rihn, Schieber, Wolff, Davis, Halpin and President Gunnufson. Others present included Rick Johnson, Tim Rundle, Public Works Director Bates, Police Chief Anderson, Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Niggemann and LeAnn Ralph with the Messenger.

Public Appearances –none.

Minutes-

Joint Village Board /Personnel Committee Minutes, February 13, 2017 – A motion was made by Trustee Halpin and seconded by Trustee Rihn to approve the February 13, 2017 Joint Village Board/Personnel Committee minutes. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Schieber, Rihn, Burcham and Gunnufson. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Regular Board Meeting Minutes, February 13, 2017 - A motion was made by Trustee Wolff and seconded by Trustee Halpin to approve both the February 13, 2017 Regular Board minutes. Voting For: Trustees Burcham, Rihn, Schieber, Wolff, Davis, Halpin and Gunnufson. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Licenses- Operator's License – February 27, 2017 to June 30, 2017 – Jami Kuesel – Express Mart – A motion was made by Trustee Halpin and seconded by Trustee Davis to approve the Operator's License for Jami Kuesel. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Schieber, Rihn, Burcham and Gunnufson. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Communications – Village President – Scott Gunnufson welcomed Josh Shipman aboard as the Village's new full-time police officer. Scott reminded the Board members that it is recognized that all Board members take pride in the work that the Village employees do on a daily basis. At times, we may go out of our way to correct any issues we are aware of by communicating with an employee or Department Head hoping to resolve the issue more quickly. Inadvertently, you may cause an interruption to the line of communication already taking place. The protocol for residents as well as Board members should be to contact the Administrator in regards to your concerns so there can be a resolution sought. If you feel the protocol is not effective, you should be in contact with the Village President.

Update on Iverson Road – Bates informed the Board that in an October 5th Public Works meeting it was discussed that the Public Works would get the costs of 100' of water main to meet the current cut in the asphalt and cost to move the water hydrant. Bates has been in contact with two of the local vendors regarding pricing for the project. To date, he has not received any response. Bates will reach out to other vendors for costs so that the project can be underway early this spring.

Donation acceptance for the Rescue Squad – Pam and Mousel in Memory of Marlene Johnson– A motion was made by Trustee Halpin and seconded by Trustee Schieber to accept the donation to the Rescue Squad of \$50 in memory of Marlene Johnson. Voting For: Trustees

Burcham, Rihn, Schieber, Wolff, Davis, Halpin and Gunnufson. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Domestic Chicken Ordinance Review – Ordinance 2011-03 – Section 7-1-13 (f) – Niggemann informed the Board that currently there are six chicken licenses that are active. The Board had questioned the total number of licenses issued and whether a maximum number of licenses that the Village will issue. Niggemann has provided a copy of the ordinance showing that the ordinance does not limit the total number of chicken licenses issued. And after doing some additional research of other Villages, which allow residents to have chickens, there does not seem to be a maximum number of licenses mentioned in any ordinances. The Village has avenues to ensure that chickens do not become an issue by enforcing the nuisance and control of animals or pets ordinances if there are complaints filed with the police department.

Review/Approval – Bills – February 13, 2017 – February 22, 2017 – A motion was made by Trustee Halpin and seconded by Trustee Rihn to approve the bills for February 13 to February 22, 2017. Voting For: Trustees Halpin, Davis, Wolff, Rihn, Burcham and Gunnufson. Abstained: Trustee Schieber. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Trustee Rihn and seconded by Trustee Davis to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 7:22 p.m. A voice vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Scott Gunnufson, Village President

Attest: Lynn Niggemann
Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer