

Village Board Meeting March 13th, 2023

On March 13th, 2023, the Village Board met at the Village Hall, 613 Main Street, Colfax, WI at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Trustees M. Burcham, Davis, Jenson, Stene, Prince and Albricht. Excused: Trustee Rud. Others present included Heather York with Strong Arm Helping Families, Barb Black, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Riemer, Public Works Director Bates and Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Niggemann. No media present, however audio was requested.

Communications from the Village President-Albricht advised the Board that after looking into the softball CD, the current information indicates that the principal amount of the CD is not able to be used. Only the interest paid out to the four organizations. The money that the Village has been funding to the Youth baseball program has been from the general fund budget.

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting Minutes –February 27th, 2023- A motion was made by Trustee Stene and seconded by Trustee M. Burcham to approve the Regular Board meeting minutes for February 27th, 2023. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Review Statement of Bills –February 27th, 2023 to March 12th, 2023

Review Statement of Bills Solid Waste & Recycling Checking – February 27th, 2023 to March 12th, 2023

A motion was made by Trustee M. Burcham and seconded by Trustee Prince to approve both the Village of Colfax Statements of Bills and the Solid Waste & Recycling Bills for February 27th, 2023 to March 12th, 2023. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Training Request–Rand Bates & Don Logslett-WRWA 35th Technical Conference–April 4th-April 7th, 2023–Lacrosse, WI

A motion was made by Trustee M. Burcham and seconded by Trustee Prince to approve the WRWA Conference April 4th to April 7th, 2023 for Rand Bates and Don Logslett in Lacrosse, WI. Voting For: Trustees M. Burcham, Davis, Jenson, Stene, Prince and Albricht. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Facility Rental – Under the consideration items.

Licenses-Drake Johnson-Operator’s License-March 13th to June 30th, 2023 – Synergy Co-op – A motion was made by Trustee Stene and seconded by Trustee M. Burcham to approve the operator’s license for Drake Johnson from March 13th to June 30th, 2023 through Synergy Co-op. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Consideration Items

Strong Arm Helping Families Corp

Request to use the Fairgrounds-Discuss Potential Helicopter Landing at the Fairgrounds/Any Other Locations – York explained that in 2022 they did an Easter event at the Tom Prince Memorial Park and had large participation. In talking with Don Arvold, regarding the helicopter dropping candy, he felt the fairgrounds would be a better location. The request is to use the fairgrounds for the Easter event. Niggemann explained that the Village insurance company has indicated that the helicopter must provide a certificate of insurance and if the area that the candy will be dropped is barricaded off until after the drop is completed, then no event insurance would be required. York advised that the area of the drop will be barricaded off until after the drop is complete. Further discussions involved what the plan would be in the event there is too much snow on the date of the event. M. Burcham felt it would be appropriate to allow use of the beer garden dance floor, the FFA Arts & Crafts building, Pavilion and the Animal Barn. A motion was made by Trustee Davis and seconded by Trustee M. Burcham to approve use of the fairgrounds and if a snow location is needed, the use of the buildings is approved at no cost. Voting For: Trustees M. Burcham, Davis, Jenson, Stene, Prince and Albricht. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Birch & High Street Intersection – Emergency Repair – Payment Authorization – A-1 Excavating Inc. –

Bates explained that the replacement of the sanitary manhole and pipe in the Birch Street & High Street intersection was completed by A-1 Excavating because they were on-site completing the school sanitary repairs. The cost to complete the replacement the sanitary manhole and pipe in the Birch and High Street intersection is \$27,668. The surface work will be a project the Village will hire out during the summer of 2023. A motion was made by Trustee Stene

and seconded by Trustee M. Burcham to pay the A-1 Excavating invoice for the emergency repair of the sanitary manhole and pipe at the intersection of Birch and High Street in the amount of \$27,668. Voting For: Trustees Prince, Stene, Jenson, Davis, M. Burcham and Albricht. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Department of Administration-WWTF Bank Stabilization project Completion Certification- Niggemann explained that we received our letter of completion from the Department of Administration for the CDBG grant. We have also received notification that the Village has scored high enough that we can submit the Lagoon project for 2024 funding for the DNR Clean Water Funds.

Adjourn – A motion was made by Trustee Stene and seconded by Trustee M. Burcham to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

Jody Albricht, Village President

Attest:

Lynn Niggemann
Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer