

Village Board Meeting –November 13th, 2023

On November 13th, 2023, the Village Board met at the Village Hall, 613 Main Street, Colfax, WI at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Trustees Burcham, Davis, Jenson, Stene, Best and Prince. Excused: Trustee Rud. Others present included Library Director Bragg-Hurlburt, representing the Elevator Committee, Mark Johnson with Elevator Committee, Sheila Riemer, Director of Public Works Bates, Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Niggemann and LeAnn Ralph with the Messenger requested audio.

Public Comments - none

Communications by the Village President – none

Consent Agenda

Regular Board Meeting Minutes –October 23rd, 2023

Review Statement of Bills Pooled Checking–October 23rd, 2023 to November 12th, 2023

Review Statement of Bills Solid Waste & Recycling Checking – October 9th, 2023 to October 22nd, 2023

Training Request –none

Facility Rental and Licenses – none

Licenses – Operator’s Licenses -November 13th, 2023 to June 30th, 2024

- **Samuel Lindgren-Viking Bowl & Lounge**
- **Donna Weix – Viking Bowl & Lounge**
- **Ashley Youngberg-Mom’s Restaurant & Pub**

A motion was made by Trustee Burcham and seconded by Trustee Stene to approve the Consent Agenda items which include the Regular Board meeting minutes of October 23rd, 2023, Statement of Bills for Pooled Checking and Solid Waste & Recycling for October 23rd, to November 12th, 2023 and Operator’s Licenses for November 13th, 2023 to June 30, 2024 for Samuel Lindgren-Viking Bowl & Lounge, Donna Weix-Viking Bowl & Lounge and Ashley Youngberg-Mom’s Restaurant & Pub. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Consideration Items

Library Report – Lisa Bragg-Hurlburt – Bragg-Hurlburt has created a Library Newsletter called “The Notebook”. Volume 3 is included in the packet and informs about the \$1,500 grant from the Women’s Giving Circle of Menomonie. The grant funds were used to create community check-out kits which include Metal Detector, Health Heart Kit, Meditation Kit, Sleep Kit, Music Therapy Kit, Children’s Music Therapy Kit, Soil Test Kit, Water Test Kit and Reading Pen for Vision-Impaired. The Firefighters donated two fire safety learning backpacks. The other reported items include the library circulation numbers for the month of October.

Public Properties Committee Report – Bragg-Hurlburt provided a progress report for the basement of Village Hall. Niggemann and Knutson provided some documents to Bragg-Hurlburt to summarize the history of the Village Hall basement as well as update the Village Board of an additional \$7,000 that has been raised since August bringing the total donations and pledges to \$137,388. The estimated project total of \$1,000,000 could be supplemented with a possible Community Development Block Grant which would fund 2/3 of the cost bringing the Village responsibility to just under \$200,000.

Pomasl Fire Equipment Inc. Invoice for the Ambulance Chassis - \$56,821 – The 2023 RAM 5500 Hemi Chassis has been built and shipped to Demers Ambulances location to await the construction of the ambulance. Since the construction of Chassis is complete, Pomasal Fire Equipment is requesting the payment of \$56,821 for the chassis to be paid now. A motion was made by Trustee Stene and seconded by Trustee Jenson to pay Pomasal Fire Equipment \$56,821 for the Ambulance Chassis. Voting For: Trustees Burcham, Davis, Jenson, Stene, Best and Prince. Voting Against: none. Motion Carried.

Dunn County Tax Agreement- November 1st, 2023 to October 31st, 2024 for the 2023-2024 Tax Collections – The Dunn County Tax Collection Agreement cost is \$2.35 per parcel as it has been for the previous two years. A motion was made by Trustee Jenson and seconded by Trustee Stene to approve the 2023-2024 Tax Collection agreement between Dunn County and the Village of Colfax for \$2.35 per parcel. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Weber Inspections – 2024 Contract for Building Inspections – Weber Inspection 2024 contract is proposed with no changes in the fees. A motion was made by Trustee Burcham and seconded by Trustee Stene to approve the 2024 Weber Building Inspection agreement. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Consideration Items

Closed Session

A motion was made by Trustee Stene and seconded by Trustee Jenson 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/Colfax Health and Rehabilitation Center at 7:15 p.m. Voting For: Trustees Burcham, Davis, Jenson, Stene, Best and Prince. Voting Against: none. Motion carried.

Open Session

A motion was made by Trustee Stene and seconded by Trustee Burcham to convene into open session to take any action resulting from the closed session at 7:34 p.m.

Unanimously the Village Board of Trustees approved a new Developer’s Agreement between the Village of Colfax and A Colfax Senior Living LLC (CSL) which included dissolving the Developer’s Agreement with the Colfax Health and Rehabilitation Center (CHRC), after the Quick Claim Deeds for the Stormwater Pond (1711122911163100023) and Park Drive extension (1711122911163400008) are recorded with the Dunn County Register of Deeds to the Village of Colfax. The agreement with CSL establishes a minimum assessment tax value in lieu of the previous Payment in Lieu of Tax agreement with CHRC and allows until December 31, 2023 to establish the easement paperwork for the stormwater pond and access to the fire hydrants.

Adjourn – A motion was made by Trustee Burcham and seconded by Trustee Stene to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. A voice vote was taken with all members voting in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

Attest: Lynn Niggemann, Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer