

MINUTES OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, August 20, 2024

TIME: 6:30pm

LOCATION: Combined Locks Civic Center, Council Chambers, 405 Wallace Street

MINUTES

- A. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Village President Neumeier at 6:30pm.
- **B.** Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge of Allegiance recited.
- **C. Roll call:** Board members present Neumeier, Heckner (via telephone), Leicht, Ponto, Schinke, and Rietveld. Board members absent Stutzman. Village staff present Administrator Shampo-Giese, Public Works Director Swick and Public Works Assistant Director Weyenberg. Others present Dennis Looker, Nick Curry and residents Philipp & Alissa Henrickson.
- 1. Public comment for matters not on the agenda: Alissa Henrickson asked the Board to hear her request for keeping chickens in the Village. President Neumeier agreed, and the request will be considered at the 09/03/24 Village Board meeting. Ms. Henrickson was asked to get any documentation she wants the trustees to review to the Administrator by noon on Friday, August 30th.
- 2. Hear and consider approval of baseball tournament fundraiser at Memorial Park Dennis Looker:

 Mr. Looker introduced himself and Mr. Curry. He explained that they have created a 501c3 organization called Drive to Thrive. The organization hosts youth baseball tournaments and donates the net profits to Make a Wish and the Miracle League. Their first year netted \$9506, and their second year is scheduled for 08/23-08/25. Mr. Looker praised the trustees and staff for building Memorial Park and maintaining it so well. He stated that it's a perfect location for their annual tournament for 9U baseball teams. The group could even add one more bracket if allowed to have the tournament in Combined Locks for 2025. The matter was discussed. M. Rietveld made a motion to approve use of Memorial Park baseball fields and shelter for this event in 2025 with a rental fee of \$250. A. Leicht seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- **3. Review 2024 Year to Date Budgets:** The Administrator reviewed all of the fund budgets with the trustees and noted that there have not been any major issues to cause budget overages except for the extra hydrant flushing in areas with high levels of iron in the water for a few months.
- **4. Review intersection plans for DeBruin Road and Martineau Road:** The Administrator and Public Works Directors reviewed the intersection with the trustees. The concern is that there will be heavy traffic in and out of the proposed Culver's parking lot, which is lot 11 Locks Business Park. Staff is brainstorming ideas to make traffic congestion as minimal as possible. The matter was discussed.
- 5. Other business, updates and future agenda items
 - a) Firemen's Picnic 08/23-08/24: The Administrator reminded the trustees of the Firemen's Picnic and encouraged them to attend. The Administrator also reminded the trustees of the Board of Review meeting scheduled for 5:30pm on Wednesday, August 28th and asked the trustees to return their water service survey if they haven't already done so.

- 6. Consider motion to move into closed session per Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Employee performance reviews and wage adjustment consideration, and wages and benefits for 2025 budget preparations AND per Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e) to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Contracted service and property purchase: J. Ponto made a motion to move into closed session. M. Rietveld seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- 7. Consider motion to return to open session; action if appropriate: J. Ponto made a motion to return to open session. B. Schinke seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. A. Leicht made a motion to increase the Fire Chief and Public Works Director's salaries by 3%, pay the Fire Chief for 8 hours of DNR training (\$160), and adjust the Administrator salary with a \$3000 increase plus a 4% increase. M. Rietveld seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- **8. Adjourn:** B. Schinke made a motion to adjourn the meeting. J. Ponto seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.