

Village of Frederic Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes July 10, 2017

The Regular meeting of the Village Board was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Hansford.

Roll Call: George Hansford, Brad Harlander, Todd Miller, Julie Thomas, Doug Gustafson, Allan Lahti, Rick Heltemes.

Convene Public Hearing. Harlander motioned to convene, Heltemes second. Carried.

Consider a Resolution to Vacate Alley plotted between lots 5,6,7 & 8, Block 4, Industrial Subdivision, of the original plat of the Village of Frederic, Polk County, Wisconsin.

Close Public Hearing. Miller motioned to close, Heltemes second. Carried.

Accept/Deny Resolution. Harlander motioned to adopt the Resolution to Vacate Alley, Thomas second. Carried.

Consideration of Change to Noticed Agenda: None.

Consideration of Change to June 13, 2017 minutes: Miller motioned to accept minutes, Lahti second. Carried.

Public Comments: David Ammend and Carey Lillehaug were present to speak about expanding the ATV routes on Lake Avenue. They mentioned the number of families and young children that walk and bike on that route. William Johnson reported that The Depot has been pretty busy. He also commented on the Village Hall moving to a leased location and transparency in government. Vince Netherland, new PCEDC Director introduced himself to the board.

Request for Use of Village Hall Parking Lot. Sephonia Cowans and Pastor Maggie from North Valley Lutheran Church in Centuria requested permission to use the Village Hall Parking Lot for a fundraiser for Ms. Cowans' Café. President Hansford informed them that they could use the Community Pride Shelter and the fee would be waived because it is a not for profit event. The Park Board president stated Ms. Collins would need to fill out a Special Event Application at the Village Hall.

Additional ATV Routes on Elm, Ash, Lake and Linden. Board discussed procedure for adding additional ATV routes and resident concerns. Miller stated the reason for the request. Miller made a motion to table discussion until more information could be gathered, Heltemes second. Carried.

Open Bids for Land Sale. One bid was received from Julie Thomas. Bid was opened and will be discussed further in closed session.

Open Bids for Village Hall Sale. No bids were received but a letter of interest from Steve and Janine Meyer was opened. Letter will be discussed further in closed session.

Approve Intent to Apply for League of Wisconsin Municipality Mutual Insurance Safety Grant. Basic information about the grant was presented. Harlander motioned to go forward with the application for the Safety Grant, Miller second. Carried.

Discuss/Approve Relocation of Village Hall. Hansford asked if any current Board members would be interested in joining the Library Board. This will be revisited. Harlander motioned to approve recommendations of Library Board, Gustafson second. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Discuss/Approve Relocation of Village Hall. Board discussed the pros and cons of renting a building for the Village Hall. Board Consensus that it is a good idea.

Committee and Department Head Reports:

Public Works-Kenneth Hackett: Truck parked on Lake Avenue has received complaints. Board discussed making Lake Avenue from the intersection of Oak and Lake to Coon Lake Park a No Parking Zone. This will be an ongoing subject as ordinance will need to be changed. Hackett spoke with a State Engineer regarding the chip seal they will be doing through town. They want to replace our ladder crosswalks with two plain lines. Ken will continue to talk to people regarding this as he wants to keep the ladder crosswalks. Board discussed new section of Ash Street. The road has divots in it from what appears to be horse hooves. Ken spoke with Terry Mattson regarding some solutions to the problem. Terry will collect more information and get back to him. Miller asked out filling potholes. Hackett stated that not enough money was budgeted to fill all the holes. Hansford stated he would meet with the Treasurer and see what could be done. Miller commented on dumping that is going on behind the Village Shop. Suggestions were made regarding signage and trail cameras. Miller asked about filling hole that was dug on 35 to repair a water leak. Hackett stated it is still too soft to fill in. He will continue to check it. Heltemes asked about fixing road by the fountain. Hackett stated he will get a price for repair. Miller asked about tree trimming and pointed out a few problem spots that he noticed.

Park Board-Rebecca Harlander: Park Board will be meeting on July 11th. They will be having an additional monthly meeting regarding the Heritage Trail and Fountain. Park Board has been gathering information on a possible municipal campground. They are working on an informational flyer to village residents. Discussed the state of the bathrooms during Family Days.

Library-Marlene Nelson: Reported on all the fun events and foot traffic in the Library. There is a special event/book signing on August 28th. The book is "Forged in Blood" and covers a group of men from Wisconsin that fought in the Civil War. Ralph Pelle resigned from the Library Board. Village Board will appoint a new representative. Nelson suggested that the Village Board hold a meeting at the Library one month.

Law Enforcement-Officer Johnson: Family Days went well, no incidents. Board asked about cars parked overnight on Oak Street. Johnson will address. Discussed vandalism of the band shelter at the park. Board requested foot patrol around park. There were 41 events in May. Department attended Firearms Qualification. Squad car hit a deer during a transport. Squad should be repaired by the weekend, a car from Balsam Lake will be used until repairs are completed. Johnson discussed the procedure for transport.

Treasurer-Jennifer Phernetton: Absent.

Approval of Payment of Bills – Check #188555 – 188619: Harlander motioned to approve, Gustafson second. Carried.

Convene into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public property, investing of public funds, conducting other business whenever competitive and/or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Gustafson motion to convene closed session, Miller second. Thomas-Yes, Miller-Yes, Harlander-Yes, Lahti-Yes, Gustafson-Yes, Heltemes-Yes. Carried.

Reconvene into Open Session. Miller motion to reconvene to open session, Heltemes second. Carried.

Action Taken from Closed Session. Heltemes motioned to accept offer of Julie Thomas to purchase parcel 126-00341-000 for \$500, Lahti second. (Thomas abstained from discussion and vote) Carried. Heltemes motioned to sign lease on Lawrence Tran property to take over October 1, 2017 contingent on the sale of the Village Hall no later than September 1st, Gustafson second. Carried.

Adjourn. Harlander motioned to adjourn at 9:21 pm, Heltemes second. Carried.

Janice Schott
Village Clerk

