

Village of Frederic Regular Meeting Minutes May 8, 2017

The Regular meeting of the Village Board was called to order at 7:08 pm by President Hansford.

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

Consideration of Change to Noticed Agenda: None.

Consideration of Change to April 10, 2017 minutes: Harlander motioned to accept minutes, Miller second. Carried.

Public Comments: President Hansford read a statement regarding the format and time limits for the Public Comment section. Concerned citizens spoke about the rumor that the Board was considering a stricter Animal Waste Ordinance. Members of the Public were present to discuss the situation regarding the Library and handed out a statement. President Hansford stated the Village had contacted another lawyer for a second opinion and directed them to the Library Board for more information. Resident was present to again discuss an ongoing public nuisance that she has been dealing with for 2 years.

Official Public Oath for New Village Board President and Trustees: Trustee Harlander administered the Public Oath for President George Hansford and Trustees Allan Lahti and Julie Thomas.

Discuss the Animal Waste Clean Up and Disposal Ordinance – Section 10.5. President Hansford spoke about our current ordinance and explained what the horse diaper discussion was about and how it got blown out of proportion on Facebook. Members of the Amish Community spoke about the nature of horses and how they are hard to control which makes it difficult to always stop and clean up after them. They suggested hitching rails and the Amish will supply shovels and cans and will take care of emptying them. Preferred routes were also discussed. President Hansford suggested a meeting between the Amish and the Village to work out details.

Discuss/Approve 2017 Frederic Park Usage Fee Schedule. Harlander motion to approve fees as presented, Lahti second. Carried.

Discuss/Approve New Village Signs. Miller motion to go ahead with sign design and purchase negotiation with the Frederic School District VIP Manufacturing Program, Gustafson second. Carried.

Committee and Department Head Reports:

Public Works-Kenneth Hackett: Water on at Parks. The new depot roof is completed. The Ash street project and other street patching has begun. A quote was received for regular line painting and some additional line painting for the Safe Route to School Program. Multiple street lights are being repaired.

Park Board-William Johnson: Spoke about Safe Routes to School and Polk County Tourism. Park Board met last week and went through fee schedule, spoke with Ken regarding summer projects and reviewed the list of projects for Community Give Back Day. Park Board will be working on a recommendation for policy regarding memorials. Shirley Kimes will be back as park attendant this summer.

Library-Marlene Nelson: Reported on the many clubs and events at the Library. Robotics club is building a remote controlled boat. Summer Reading Program will be called "Build a Better World". Library asked about getting a bike rack.

Law Enforcement-Officer Johnson: There were 40 events in April. Department started using tracks program for issuing citations. Trustee Miller asked is anything was being done regarding the neighbor dispute that was discussed during public comment.

Treasurer-Jennifer Phernetton: Village is right on track for expenses. CDBG Application for the Park/Birch and Spruce is moving forward. 5 loans will be paid off in next 3-4 years.

Approval of Payment of Bills – Check #188430 – 188492: Harlander motioned to approve, Gustafson second. Carried.

Convene into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(c) Compensation and Evaluation. Consideration of employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation of any public employee. Miller motion to convene closed session, Harlander second. Thomas-Yes, Miller-Yes, Harlander-Yes, Lahti-Yes, Gustafson-Yes. Carried.

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

Action Taken from Closed Session. Harlander motioned to approve Chief Johnson's recommendation to hire Peggy Buckman as Part Time Officer, Miller second. Carried.

Adjourn. Harlander motioned to adjourn at 9:27 pm, Thomas second. Carried.

Janice Schott
Village Clerk