

Village of Frederic Regular Meeting Minutes October 8, 2018

The Regular meeting of the Village Board was called to order at 6:05 pm by President Hansford.

Roll Call: George Hansford, Todd Miller, Julie Thomas, Bob Jorgenson, Brad Harlander, Allan Lahti and Doug Gustafson all present.

Consideration of Change to Noticed Agenda: None

Approval of September 10, 2018 Minutes: Lahti requested that a word in the ambulance contract discussion be changed from “replacements” to expenses. Harlander motioned to approve September 10 minutes with word change, second by Thomas. Carried.

Public Comments: William Johnson reported on the 2018 season for the Depot. He also showed a 2019 calendar put out by Polk County Tourism. A picture of the Depot is on the May page. Kay Friberg asked for information on the borrowing limit and how certain property sales will affect the bond rate.

Discuss Property at 209 Industrial Way: Miller asked what the plan was for off-street parking as Industrial Way is a no parking zone and the vehicles may interfere with snowplowing. Kay Friberg stated he thinks the signs should come down, he doesn't see a need for them. There was also a complaint about cars travelling above the speed limit on Industrial Way. Hansford asked Officer Larson to patrol Industrial Way and look into the need for the no parking signs. Friberg also stated that he tries to work on community improvement and building up those around him. Members of the Board also commented on times that Friberg has helped the community. Owners of Red Shed Repair, located at 209 Industrial Way, were present also. They spoke briefly about their business, large truck repair, and its success.

2019 Budget: Brock Geyen, Clifton Larson Allen, was present to discuss the 2019 budget. He wanted to give the Board an idea of where the village is at now and where it is going financially in 2019. Brock has handouts for the levy limit calculation and levy allocation summary. He also covered revenues and expenses and some changes from 2018. Gustafson asked about the consequences of raising the levy. Geyen explained how it would work and that taxes for village residents would increase and the money given for expenditure restraint would be lost in 2020. The Finance committee will meet next week to finalize budget numbers before the November public hearing.

Appoint Brett Daeffler to Public Works Committee: Harlander motioned to appoint Brett Daeffler to Public Works Committee, Miller second. Carried.

Request to Close Oak Street E in Front of Traditions for 2 hours on Halloween: Jorgenson motioned to approve closure, Lahti second. Carried.

Temporary Class B License – Frederic Arts 10.26 and 11.11: Harlander motioned to approve applications, Thomas Second. Carried.

Committee and Department Head Reports:

Public Works-Kenneth Hackett: Absent.

Park Board-Rebecca Harlander: Thank you to Pilgrim Lutheran Church for community service project. Park Board also wanted to thank the Park Caretakers, they did a great job. Darrel Nyren will remove fill from trail area as soon as the weather dries up a bit. Trail is cleared out all the way around the lake. Lahti asked how the trail would be marked. Harlander stated the Park Board is looking into different ways to delineate the trail.

Library-Kris Surbaugh: Discussed Library handout. They are joining with the Polk and Burnett Mental Health Task Forces to present “The S Word”, a movie dealing with suicide prevention. Numbers were good in September. There are two authors coming in October and November. They are going to upgrade the fire alarm system to an alarm that will auto dial in case of fire.

Law Enforcement – Tamara Larson: Department has been very busy with calls and improvements. Officer Larson has implemented some new procedures, including nightly security checks of businesses. She is also encouraging officers to get out on patrol. The department is also going to start a program with the school on gun safety.

Treasurer-Jennifer Phernetton: No report

Ambulance – Todd Miller: No Meeting.

Personnel/Finance Committee – 9.5.18 no action, discussion only.

Approval of Payment of Bills – Check #189493-189573: Lahti motioned to approve, Thomas 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.

Miller motioned to convene closed session, Thomas second. Hansford-Yes, Thomas-Yes, Miller-Yes, Harlander- Yes, Jorgenson - Yes, Gustafson-Yes, Lahti-Yes. Carried.

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

Action Taken from Closed Session: Harlander motioned to accept the mower bid from Bruch Potter for \$519, Miller second. Carried.

Adjourn. Gustafson motioned to adjourn at 8:10 pm, Lahti second. Carried.

Janice Schott
Village Clerk