

Village of Frederic Regular Meeting Minutes September 10, 2018

The Regular meeting of the Village Board was called to order at 7:00 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: Hansford suggested moving the bid discussion for the First Avenue project out of closed session since only one bid was received.

Approval of August 13, 2018 Minutes: Harlander motioned to approve July 9 minutes, second by Lahti. Carried.

Public Comments: William Johnson reported that Frederic Fest was a total success for the Village. Kim Butler, running as a Democrat for the 28th District State Assembly seat, introduced herself and discussed some of the issues she is concerned about.

Swearing in of Frederic Police Officers: Hansford read the oath for officers Ed Collins, Peggy Buchman and Tamara Larson.

Northland Ambulance Agreement: Miller reported that the Ambulance Board wanted to get feedback on extending the contracts from 1 year to 3 years. Hansford stated he thought it might be helpful for budgeting, Harlander is in favor. Lahti thought it sounded okay but felt major expenses should happen at end or beginning of 3 years.

Mower Bids: Four bids were received and read. Bids will be discussed in closed session.

Road Project Budget and Sidewalk Bids: Dave Rasmussen, MSA, was present to discuss the progress/budget of the road project. Rasmussen also reported on the bids received for the sidewalk project. Chippewa Concrete Services \$140,204.20 and Pember Companies \$205,413.50. Lahti motioned to award the bid for the 2018 Sidewalk Project to Chippewa Concrete Service in the amount of \$140,204.20, contingent upon the contractor supplying property bonding and insurance and submitting all required funding paperwork, Harlander second. Carried.

First Avenue Bids: Monarch submitted a bid for \$20,075.35, \$9,000 of which will come from LRIP funds. Harlander motioned to accept the bid from Monarch Paving, Miller second. Carried.

License Requests: Miller motioned to approve application for a Class B Liquor License for The 300 Club, Gustafson second. Carried. Jorgenson motioned to approve a Mobile Food Vendor License for Valerie Jorgenson, Lahti second. Carried.

Sublet Building on Hope Road: Phernetton reported that the current tenant at 107 Hope Road would like to sublet on office of the building. No opposition from Board.

Ordinances 8, 11, 13: Board discussed the Governance Committee's recommended updates to the ordinances. Harlander motioned to approve ordinance updates, Miller second. Carried.

Future Plans for Village Owned Property – Depot Building and Senior Center: Hansford stated the Finance Committee discussed village owned property during a budget meeting. Phernetton handed out some information on the two buildings regarding expenses, etc. Harlander asked about Senior Center staying a senior center. He feels this is important to the community. Miller stated the Senior Center group would have first chance to take over the building. Hansford suggested reaching out to the person in charge of the senior center to see what the options may be for them. William Johnson invited the Board to attend the Historical Society meeting next Monday to get more information.

Committee and Department Head Reports:

Public Works-Kenneth Hackett: The sidewalk in front of The Inter County Leader office should be replaced on Wed. The road patch by the fountain is complete. Line painting will be done around school and the SRTS crosswalks. There is a tree by 407 Wisconsin Avenue that will need to come down to complete some work on water system.

Park Board-Rebecca Harlander: Projects are coming to completion. The Pickle Ball court is scheduled to be completed this month. The fill on east side of lake should be removed soon and work is continuing on completing trail around the lake. Park Board will look at steep bank on the North side of lake to determine if grade can be changed to allow for mowing. Harlander is hoping to help update tree mapping during the months that the Park Board does not meet. (Nov-Feb).

Library-Kris Surbaugh: Presented a Library handout. Numbers were very good in August. The library staff is working on outreach with community including after school activities, collaborating with the schools, etc. The Staff is planning a party in October to thank board members and others for all they do for the library. There are a few building issues that will need to be addressed.

Law Enforcement – Tamara Larson: Since her start date she has been working on cleaning the squad and office. The WIFI is updated in the squad so they are on track with the county. She is looking into getting a new computer system for the department. They have been very busy with calls.

Treasurer-Jennifer Phernetton: Expenses are at 72%. Direct Pay has been set up in Workhorse so residents could have their utility payment automatically deducted from their bank account. Seven proposal requests were sent out to local auditors.

Ambulance – Todd Miller: No Meeting.

Planning Committee – No Meeting.

Public Works – No Meeting.

Personnel/Finance Committee – Working on 2019 Budget.

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