

Village of Frederic Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes September 11, 2017

The Regular meeting of the Village Board was called to order at 7:02 pm by President Hansford.

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

Consideration of Change to Noticed Agenda: Harlander motioned to approve moving Local Ambulance Board Discussion up in the agenda and adding Approve Checking Account and Signers at Sterling Bank to new business.

Consideration of Change to August 14, 2017 Minutes: Harlander motioned to accept minutes, Miller second. Carried.

Public Comments: William Johnson thanked the Village staff for being part of and helping with the Frederic Festival.

Discussion with Local Ambulance Boards: President Hansford gave some background on the reason for the Ambulance discussion and explained that he was looking for more information to better represent the taxpayers. The Northland Ambulance representative gave background on their ambulance service and some information on what they currently offer. Hansford addressed concerns about the future of the ambulance service. Northland responded that they are currently recruiting. Lakes Ambulance and North Memorial Ambulance had representatives at the meeting and they each gave some information about their services. The Village Board will get together and discuss how to move forward. It was suggested that each ambulance service have the opportunity to present their service to the Board and public.

Approve Checking Account at Sterling Bank and Signers for Account: Miller motioned to approve opening a checking account at Sterling Bank for the CDBG grant and to approve George Hansford, Jennifer Phernetton and Brad Harlander as signers for account. Thomas second. Carried.

Discuss Village Handbook: Janice Schott, Clerk, briefly went over the new Village Board Handbook and encouraged members to review the handbook and ask questions or make suggestions.

Discuss/Act on Sale of Legion Building – Frederic Arts: No one from Frederic Arts was able to attend the meeting. Harlander motioned to table item until October meeting, Miller second. Carried.

Discuss/Approve Possible Change to ATV Route: Don Langel was present to discuss the Luck ATV club and the changes they would like to see made to the ATV route for safety reasons. Scott Domagala, Village resident, also stated that he would like to see the route expanded to limit the number of times a rider must cross the state highway to get from the North end of town to the South. Miller motioned to update ordinance to open all streets in the Village, except state highways, and set driver minimum age to 16 and must hold a valid driver's license, Thomas second. Carried. The ordinance will be updated and presented for approval at October meeting.

Discuss/Approve Northland Ambulance Purchase of New Ambulance: Lahti motioned to table item until October meeting, Gustafson second. Carried.

Committee and Department Head Reports:

Public Works-Kenneth Hackett: Sidewalk poured at Oak Street and First Avenue and conduit ran to repair streetlights in the same areas. Three bids were received to repair the storm sewer behind Traditions. Lots of things getting done around Village.

Park Board-Rebecca Harlander: Park Board is working on the scheduled Fall projects. Thanked the Village Staff for help with Frederic Festival and the permit for aerators. Thanked Shirley Kimes for service as park caretaker, they will be looking for a new caretaker for the 2018 season. Park Board is continuing to work on finishing the trail around Coon Lake.

Library-Marlene Nelson: Reported on all the fun things going on at the Library. 63 patrons attended the Summer Reading Activities and 95 children attended Wednesday Morning Story Time. August Library Circulation was 3,694!

Law Enforcement-Officer Johnson: 46 events were handled in August. Started a study to determine the days/times when the majority of calls are handled.

Treasurer-Jennifer Phernetton: 67% of the year is past and Village expenditures are at 59.66%. Plan Commission has been meeting with Eric Anderson from WCWRPC to create a Comprehensive Plan for the Village. All meetings are posted and open to the public. Will have final draft by mid-October and a final Public Hearing sometime in early November.

Approval of Payment of Bills – Check #188681 – 188737: Miller motioned to approve, Harlander 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 motion to convene closed session, Gustafson second. Thomas-Yes, Miller-Yes, Harlander-Yes, Lahti-Yes, Gustafson-Yes. Carried.

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

Action Taken from Closed Session. None.

Adjourn. Harlander motioned to adjourn at 9:08 pm, Gustafson second. Carried.

Janice Schott
Village Clerk