

FREDONIA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
May 1, 2008

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Short. Present: Joe Short, Jill Bertram, Fritz Buchholtz, Don Dohrwardt, and Larry Waskiewicz. Also present: Trevor Cary, Janice Stadler, Lucy Janke, Stephen Nosko, Marcia Nosko, Mark Jaeger, Michael Davel, David Meinholz, Jackie Meinholz, Kim Crowley, Chris Holdridge, Jim Lohmiller, Steve Kornetzke, Brian Schommer, Allen Neumann, and Jo Ann Wagner. Arriving later: Tom Wellnitz and Bill Hamm.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Minutes

Minutes of the April 17, 2008, village board meeting were approved as presented on a **MOTION** by Waskiewicz, seconded by Dohrwardt, and carried.

Approve Payment of Bills

With the additional list presented, the General Fund, Water and Sewer bills were approved for payment on a **MOTION** by Dohrwardt, seconded by Bertram, and carried with Waskiewicz abstaining.

Use of Gazebo Site – May 17, 2008

Use of the Gazebo site on May 17, 2008, by the Fredonia Youth Football was approved on a **MOTION** by Waskiewicz, seconded by Buchholtz, and carried.

Fredonia Fire Fighter / EMS Association Sign

Correspondence from the last few months regarding the FFF/EMS Association sign was reviewed. Trevor Cary requested that board member Larry Waskiewicz recuse himself from this discussion as Cary is working with Waskiewicz on a business situation on a personal level. Short noted that the discussion before the board does not involve any possible financial gain for Waskiewicz and did not believe he needed to recuse himself. Cary questioned the status of erecting the Fredonia Fire Fighter / EMS sign on the Regal Drive / Fredonia Avenue lot owned by the village. At the March 21st meeting, the board was awaiting information from the attorney. The Association would like to proceed with the sign, and if the sign will not be allowed at this location, the Association would like to know so they could pursue a different location. Board members in the past have supported this location. Cary noted that the Grafton Fire Department and Cedarburg Fire Department, both private organizations, have signs on public property. The sign will be informational and educational for village residents. Short stated that a response was received from the attorney before the last board meeting. It was an oversight that it was not added as a closed session item on this meeting agenda. Short stated that the board is not ready to make a decision at this meeting. Cary expressed his frustration with the lengthy process noting that they still need Plan Commission approval and would like to

erect the sign this year. A MOTION was made by Waskiewicz, seconded by Short, to put into the record the items labeled 7A from the trustee packet. It was clarified that the document are already public record, but are being made part of the minutes for easier reference in the future. Motion carried.

Department of Public Works / EMS Privacy Officer

Short reported that the Personnel Committee has not taken any further action on this.

Ohana Proposal

Waskiewicz stated that as public officials the Ohana Proposal should be reviewed by a committee. A MOTION was made by Dohrwardt, seconded by Buchholtz, to refer the Ohana proposal for daytime ambulance coverage to the Public Safety Committee for review and recommendation. Motion carried.

Village Audits

The financial audits are completed. The secondary audit has just been received.

Close of Tax Incremental District No. 2

Steve Kornetzke, with Robert W. Baird and Company, explained that they have reviewed the feasibility of closing TID No. 2. Based on their findings, the revenue is sufficient to cover the debt. In addition to the ordinance closing the TID, an ordinance defeasing the debt is also required. The current outstanding TID debt is \$1,130,000 and was issued July 15, 2001. An escrow account will be established. Fees in the amount of \$18,400 are included in the closing for bond counsel, financial advisory, escrow agent and CPA verification. A segregated account will also be needed for the detention pond project. After all debt, fees, and projects are complete, it is estimated that \$65,631 will remain and will be divided between the taxing entities.

Resolution No. 2008-C Dissolving Tax Incremental District No. 2

A MOTION was made by Dohrwardt, seconded by Waskiewicz, to adopt Resolution No. 2008-C dissolving Tax Incremental District No. 2. Motion carried with all board members voting aye.

Resolution No. 2008-D Authorizing Transfer of Funds, Establishment of Escrow Accounts and Defeasance of Debt Relating to TID No. 2

Resolution No. 2008-D authorizing the transfer of funds, establishment of escrow accounts and defeasance of debt relating to Tax Incremental District No. 2 was adopted on a MOTION by Waskiewicz, seconded by Dohrwardt, and carried with all board members voting aye.

Meinholz – Commercial Trash/Recycling Service

David Meinholz, owner of a four-family apartment building in the village, expressed concern that the village was no longer providing trash / recycling service for multi-family units. Short stated that the village stopped providing this service in January of 2004. However, because the village was in a five year contract, commercial and industrial

properties were billed by the village for trash and recycling service. With a new contract signed, the village will no longer provide or bill for this service for commercial and industrial properties. Meinholz stated that he has called several contractors and his cost will increase significantly. His cost would be \$85 per month, compared to \$100 per quarter. Most providers charge additional for hand stops, compared to dumpster service and his property and driveway is not designed for dumpster service. Short stated that all businesses had the benefit of the village contract in the past, however, they are no longer part of the current contract. Meinholz stated that a portion of his taxes is still paying for trash and recycling service, but he is not being provided this service. More discussion followed on:

- Average single family residential property pays \$948 as village portion of property tax
- Four family unit pays \$1007 as village portion of property tax
- If four unit paid same portion as single family, four units would pay almost \$4,000 in village portion of property taxes
- Suggestion that all business owners get together to negotiate a better price.

After further discussion a **MOTION** was made by Waskiewicz, seconded by Dohrwardt, to refer this matter to the Public Works Committee to gather information, compile the information, and send the information to Veolia. Motion carried.

NIMS Review / Update

Short noted that all board members need to complete the IS-700 and IS-800, and the ICS-100 and ICS-200. Fire Chief Brian Schommer noted that all command officers are at the 400 level. Village Marshal Mike Davel noted that all officers are at the 200 level, with Deputy Leet and himself at the 300 level.

Personnel Committee Meeting – April 24, 2008

Minutes from the April 24, 2008, Personnel Committee were reviewed. Staff will check with Port Washington for their ordinances on the LOSA program.

Board of Appeals Meeting – April 29, 2008

Minutes from the April 29, 2008, Board of Appeals meeting were reviewed. The variance request to exceed rear yard area by 12% for garage at 125 N. Milwaukee Street was denied; the variance request to exceed building code maximum for detached garage by 336 square feet at 215 Lawrence Street was denied; and the variance request to exceed building code maximum for detached garage by 1,280 square feet at 801 Martin Avenue was denied.

Shared Hall Committee Meeting – April 21, 2008 and April 30, 2008

Waskiewicz reported that the building schedule is still on time, although he is not sure that the asphalt will be complete by May 9th. Furniture quotations were received and reviewed. Furniture will be purchased from Office Furniture Resources. Fencing around the property will be removed. Some donations have been received. A smoke detection system that is ADA compatible was added to the building.

Proclamation – Municipal Clerk’s Week

President Short read the letter from the Wisconsin Municipal Clerk’s Association regarding Municipal Clerks Week May 4th through May 10th. He then read the Proclamation recognizing Municipal Clerk’s Week and the Clerk and Deputy Clerk for the Village of Fredonia.

Department Reports on Operations of Village

FIRE: The report from the Fire Chief was reviewed.

POLICE: The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. Davel informed the board that Scott Nauman, an officer with the department for over ten years, is resigning the end of May. (Hamm arrived) Waskiewicz noted that a phone system has been purchased for the new hall and a voice over IP system for the Marshal’s office.

PUBLIC WORKS: The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed. Neumann stated that he would like to hire both summer employees from last year, Danny Johns and Matt Dommer. A **MOTION** was made by Dohrwardt, seconded by Buchholtz, to have the Director of Public Works hire temporary summer help not to exceed the line item budget amount. Motion carried. A Public Works Committee meeting may be scheduled the fourth Thursday in May. Diesel fuel costs for December 2006 through March 2007 equaled \$2,259; for December 2007 through March 2008 \$7,611. The cooler has been repaired at the Fireman’s Park concession stand.

CLERK-TREASURER: The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed. Approval was given for the Clerk-Treasurer and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer to attend the annual Clerks Conference August 20 -22, 2008, with registration, mileage, meals and lodging paid by the village on a **MOTION** by Waskiewicz, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

Correspondence

The 2007 recycling statistics were reviewed; 217 ton of recyclables was collected, more than 25% of the total waste generated by the village.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Waskiewicz, seconded by Dohrwardt, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jo Ann Wagner
Clerk-Treasurer