

FREDONIA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

March 3rd, 2011

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, Mark Edbauer, Sr., Scott Ehaney and Chuck Lopicola. Also present: Frank Bauer, Mark Jaeger, Gary Buntrock, Mike Davel, Allen Neumann, and Sandi Tretow.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Minutes

Minutes of the February 17th, 2011 village board meeting were approved as presented on a MOTION by Lopicola, seconded by Buchholtz, and carried.

Approve Payment of Bills

Lopicola questioned the bill for Belfor Property Restoration in the amount of \$50,317.36 – if it were to be reimbursed from the insurance company, or if general fund was being used to pay. Davel stated that we have received a sizable dollar amount already from the insurance company for fire damages, but he was not sure how much. The agreement was that we would get billed from Belfor, we would pay them, and we would receive insurance compensation. Also, Buchholtz asked about the two identical payments to petty cash on the water utility list. Tretow noted that there was a duplication and only one charge of \$78.90 should appear on the list. With the additional list presented, the General Fund, Water and Sewer bills were approved with the correction to Water on a MOTION by Lopicola, seconded by Buchholtz, and carried.

Approve Use of Fireman's Park by Lion's Club on October 23, 2011 and February 26, 2012

A MOTION to approve use of Fireman's Park by the Lion's Club on October 23, 2011 and February 26, 2012 was made by Lopicola, seconded by Edbauer, and carried.

Open Session for Citizen Comments and Questions

There were no comments or questions received.

Department Reports on Operations of Village

- There was no report from the Fire Chief submitted.
- Village Marshal stated that in addition to his report submitted, the outdoor lights have been installed at 416 Fredonia Avenue this past Monday. He is still waiting for replacement of the door to the garage, but is waiting for warmer weather, so the door can be painted. Many compliments came from the board on how nice and bright the lights are at nighttime. Davel noted that the lights are "high efficiency", so the amps drawn should be minimal.
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager:
Buntrock passed out a 2011 report from the DNR that shows levels of BOD/CBOD's. He noted that this was the first time that Jason Nelsen had conducted and submitted the test to the State. All of the results were within the acceptable range, so Buntrock and Nelsen were pleased with the results. There were also notes that were on this report that Buntrock had reviewed. (1) ChemSearch proposal for BIO-Amp Biological Delivery System at WWTP was also discussed. Buntrock had drawn up a "Memo of Understanding" dated February 24, 2011 between ChemSearch and the Village of Fredonia WWTP, which was submitted to the board for review. This would be a six week trial at no cost to the Village. Buntrock is anticipating a load of hauled in waste tomorrow with more grease in it, so he would like to run samples around this load. He also expects a report back from ChemSearch in about 6-7 weeks with their findings. Short asked about the feasibility of taking pictures before defoaming. Buntrock said that he has a camera from home that he will use to take before and after pictures. Short also asked what our engineers at McMahan had thought about this trial. Buntrock stated that the engineers thought that we should give it a try. There

was some discussion also about state certification results and what parameters are acceptable from the DNR. A MOTION was made by Bertram, seconded by Dohrwardt to proceed with the February 24, 2011 Memo of Understanding as it is written. Lapicola asked about the note on Buntrock's report where he is getting prices for use of old raw sewage pump#1 into sludge pump#2. Buntrock stated that the shell of the old raw sewage pump was saved as a backup, but now would like to change internal parts and make a sludge pump. Lapicola also mentioned that he would like to visit the Northern Moraine Utility in Elkhart Lake on Tuesday March 8, 2011 along with Buntrock, Nelsen and possibly Neumann.

- Director of Public Works:
Neumann mentioned that the crew has been changing out a lot of water meters and also built their metal rack at the shop. They have also fabricated garbage can receptacle holders for the new garbage cans, which has been much less costly than purchasing them from the can manufacturer. Neumann was also working on the "Scope of Services" for door replacements and plans to mail out invitations to bid tomorrow with March 31st being the bid opening date. Edbauer asked when the meeting with the County will be? Neumann did not have a date yet due to scheduling conflicts with the County and vacations. He had proposed a March 22nd meeting date, but has not heard back.
- The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed. Short mentioned that the February 15th primary election had 174 voters. Also, the auditors were here for a week and are finished with their onsite work.

[Celebrate Fredonia Meeting – February 21, 2011](#)

- Edbauer reported that due to the snow storm that night, there were not enough voting members present for a quorum. However, the members investigated the availability of equipment for a possible August 20th date rather than September 10th. It was concluded that since this is 10 year anniversary of 9/11, there would be too many other events going on, and that we do not want to distract from the anniversary's significance. A MOTION was made by Buchholtz, seconded by Lapicola to change the date of Celebrate Fredonia from 9/10/11 to 8/20/11, and carried. Edbauer also mentioned that Becky Baughman would like to serve on the committee, but since this was not an agenda item, Short said that we need to table that for the next meeting.

[Discuss Possible Changes to Technical School District](#)

Short suggested the idea of changing from the MATC school district to the Mid Moraine School district because the taxes may be less. Dohrwardt was not sure if this is a decision that the school board makes, or if the Village can decide. However, it would be a good idea to investigate the possibility. Dohrwardt mentioned that he has heard from a lot of citizens who are dissatisfied with MATC – where they have to travel to the Milwaukee campus because the Mequon campus offerings are not as complete.

[Fire Department Modernization Committee – March 2nd, 2011](#)

Lapicola presented minutes from the first meeting of this new committee to the board. The group discussed priorities that are needed at the fire department including replacing the tanker and ambulance. The building is also too small for equipment and meeting needs. Lapicola spoke about the safety of the firefighter's when they have to climb a truck to access the temporary holding tanks. Some other needs include replacing the furnace and update lighting. The kitchen stove also needs to be replaced, but Lapicola thought that could come from a donation. Lapicola wants to find out about what impact fees can be used for, and when they need to be used. Ehaney also mentioned that the tanker and ambulance replacement discussions need to stay with the Fire Department Modernization Committee, and not with the Public Safety Committee.

[Mid-Moraine Municipal Association Meeting – March 23rd, 2011](#)

Topic was reviewed with no discussion.

[Resolution 2011-B Supporting Governor Walker's Budget Repair Bill](#)

The board reviewed the resolution. Buchholtz commented that he has noticed how angry and divided people are about this subject. He is not sure what people want, and he feels as a trustee, that he is to represent the people. Lapicola stated that he supports Walker, but he has not read the entire bill. Edbauer commented that he agrees that certain groups need to pay more of their share, but he disagrees with the concept of taking away rights. Ehaney stated that we need to let the higher levels of government know what we think. Dohrwardt commented that difficult decisions need to be made in order to get our State out of the fiscal crisis that it is in. This bill will give more flexibility to municipalities and school districts. Discussion followed. Dohrwardt also stated this is not an opinion issue, this is a dollar and cent issue. This bill will help us maintain quality and quantity services. More discussion. Resolution 2011-B supporting Governor Walker's Budget Repair Bill was approved on a MOTION by Ehaney, seconded by Bertram, and carried, Edbauer voting nay, and Buchholtz abstaining.

[Per Wisconsin Statutes 19.95\(1\)\(c\) the Village Board Will Convene into Closed Session to discuss a employee evaluation and compensation](#)(Bauer, Buntrock, Jaeger, Neumann and Tretow left) The Village President proceeded to record the rest of the minutes at 8:00 p.m.

[Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene into Open Session](#)

Motion by Lapicola, seconded by Edbauer to come out of closed session. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

[Personnel Committee Meeting](#)

APPOINT DEPUTY CLERK-TREASURER: A MOTION was made by Lapicola, seconded by Short to appoint Sandi Tretow Deputy Clerk-Treasurer with wage to be at entry level of this classification and requiring her to receive her certification in three and a half years. Motion carried.

DEPUTY MARSHAL WAGES: Motion by Lapicola, seconded by Buchholtz, to allow the Village Marshal to manage wages of the Deputy Marshals at his discretion with January 1st raises. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK CHANGES: No changes were approved to the Employee Handbook as Personnel Committee minutes were not available.

[Items for Future Agenda](#)

Appoint new committee member to Celebrate Fredonia.

The meeting adjourned on a MOTION by Dohrwardt, seconded by Bertram, and carried.