

**FREDONIA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**  
**Fredonia Government Center**  
**242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI**  
**January 19th, 2012**

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Lpicola. Present: Chuck Lpicola, Jill Bertram, Fritz Buchholtz, Don Dohrwardt, and Scott Ehaney. Also present: Carol Huber, Chris Kunstmann, Lisa Dohrwardt, Mark Jaeger, Mike Davel, Gary Buntrock, Tom Sheppard, and Sandi Tretow. Absent: Mark Edbauer, Sr.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Buntrock arrived.

### **Approve Minutes**

Minutes of the January 5th, 2012 village board meeting were approved as presented on a **MOTION** by Buchholtz, 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 Buchholtz, and carried.

### **Approve December Treasurer and Utility Reports**

The December treasurer and utility reports were approved as presented on a **MOTION** by Dohrwardt, seconded by Ehaney, and carried.

### **Approve Special Gathering Beer Licenses**

The list of special gathering beer licenses for Rosemary Home and School Association was approved on a **MOTION** by Buchholtz, seconded by Ehaney, and carried.

### **Open Session for Citizen Comments and Questions**

Carol Huber expressed concern about articles that she has been reading in the Ozaukee Press about the Fredonia Avenue reconstruction project pertaining to burying the utility wires. She felt the Village should not spend money that it does not have for beautifying Fredonia in this manner. She understands that repairing the water and sewer lines are necessary, but burying utility lines is more of a discretionary expenditure. She felt that an advisory referendum does not mean anything, and the board should listen to the residents versus what the board feels best. Kunstmann arrived. Lpicola explained that a lot of residents say they want the utility lines buried, and that the board wants to get a consensus of all residents, which is why a referendum would include the most residents. There was discussion about binding versus advisory referendums. Lpicola stated the sewer lines are ok, although some of the laterals are in questionable condition. The water lines are substandard in places and some old, brittle mains need to be fixed. The water and sewer needs to be repaired prior to any reconstruction on Fredonia Avenue. If the

utility lines were to be buried, it makes sense to do that at the same time as the water and sewer lines. Lapicola also said Village residents would need to bear the expense of burying the utility lines, so it is important to get a formal count.

### Report on Operations of Village by:

- Village President:
  - 1) Update on Fredonia Avenue. Lapicola stated he has been in contact with Bob Dreblow on securing State funding. The opportunity to apply will open up towards the end of this month, but we may have to wait until the end of July before we find out if we are awarded the funds.
  - 2) Grants for recreation department. The park plan has been submitted to the DNR for review.
  - 3) Generator training at well house. Lapicola stated the training was conducted Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup> at the well house by Village Hall. Both pumps ran off of the generator at less than 50% capacity, so there is plenty of power when needed. There was discussion about interfacing, so the generator will be able to plug into the lift stations, well houses etc. immediately if needed.
  - 4) Water Main Break. Sheppard spoke about the water main break on Martin Drive that occurred late January 5<sup>th</sup>. The Public works crew was able to repair it on Friday with little difficulty.
  - 5) Snow Removal. Sheppard noted the snow storm earlier this week went smoothly for public works. No equipment broke and they received no complaints.
  - 6) Temporary Public Works Employee. Lapicola stated the original term of employment for the temporary public works employee was for December through February, and was asking if this term should be extended until the end of March. Since the Director of Public Works position has not been filled yet, it would be beneficial to have this person assist the Village crew another month. There was discussion about the budgeted funds available. A **MOTION** was made by Bertram, seconded by Dohrwardt, to extend the term of the temporary public works employee until the end of March 2012. Motion carried.
  - 7) Spring Projects.
    - a. Re-grading at Fredonia Government Center. Lapicola stated the Fredonia Government Center Commission will be meeting in February. He would like to propose grading around the building and put in a swale to direct the water away from the building and sidewalk areas.
    - b. Disc Golf Course. Work still needs to be done to get the disc golf course ready for spring.
    - c. Other. Lapicola said that if there are other projects that need to be done, Sheppard will need to be notified so he can plan accordingly.

- **Work Leader.** Sheppard stated that when Neumann retired, he took his personal tools with him, and there are some tools that are now needed at the shop. He presented a list of four items to the board along with a price comparison for each. Discussion followed. Dohrwardt stated that commercial grade tools should be purchased for durability and quality. A **MOTION** by Buchholtz, seconded by Dohrwardt to purchase the needed tools on the list with a budget amount within 10% of the highest price of each item, and carried.
- **Fire Chief.** The 2011 LOSA Contribution Proposal for the Fredonia Fire Department and Northern Ozaukee Ambulance was reviewed. It was noted the remaining reserve amount should be corrected to \$1622.49 to reflect the Fire Chief's amount. A **MOTION** by Dohrwardt, seconded by Ehaney approving the Contribution Proposal as presented with the remaining LOSA funds put into LOSA reserve, and carried. Kunstmann noted that there are 32 eligible members, with 12 of them having 10 years vested. He also stated the fire department has one new member and EMS has two new members.
- **Village Marshal.** The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. Davel has relayed concerns to Bob Dreblow about the lack of signs that indicate the stop lights ahead at the Hwy 57 intersection and Fredonia Avenue. Dohrwardt asked if Davel has asked if any legislation has come up concerning court fees. Davel said that he hasn't heard of anything.
- **Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager.** The December 2011 report from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager was reviewed. Buntrock submitted three quotes for a replacement suspended solids oven. The current oven's thermostat has overheated recently, and has to be unplugged at night to prevent a fire hazard. Buntrock's quote reflects a gravity style oven, which compares to the style currently at the Treatment Plant. He also submitted quotes for convection style ovens, which are the current technology and are better at keeping a constant temperature for lab testing purposes. Dohrwardt stated the Village needs reliable instrumentation as long as it is required to perform its own lab tests. Buntrock prefers the ThermoScientific convection oven from North Central Laboratories based on the research that he has conducted. A **MOTION** by Dohrwardt, seconded by Bertram to order the mechanical convection oven from North Central Laboratories for \$2,535.00 per quote, and carried.
- **Clerk-Treasurer.** The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed. (Buntrock and Davel left).

### **Appoint Chairperson of Tree Board**

Since Village Ordinance 6-4-3(e) changed in December 2011 authorizing the Village President to appoint the Tree Board Chairperson, Lopicola recommended Ron Schmit be appointed Chairperson. A **MOTION** by Dohrwardt, seconded by Ehaney to appoint Ron Schmit as Tree Board Chairperson, and carried.

### **Architectural Control Board – January 4, 2012 Meeting**

Dohrwardt reviewed the minutes from the January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Architectural Control Board meeting. He noted the storage buildings #17 and #18 at 145 Meadowlark Road were approved not requiring the 50% masonry. He also stated the Architectural Control Board was asked to review temporary storage structures based on a citizen complaint. The consensus of the Architectural Control Board is that it does not wish to regulate what residents have on their property as long as it is within Village ordinances.

### **Personnel Committee - January 12 and 16, 2012 Meeting**

The minutes from the January 16, 2012 Personnel Committee were reviewed. Bertram noted the Personnel Committee is still in the process of conducting interviews for the Director of Public Works position.

### **Review of Advisory Referendum Question for Spring Election**

Lapicola presented the exact wording of the advisory referendum question as approved by the Village Attorney:

*During the reconstruction of Fredonia Avenue, would you be willing to share in all costs to bury utilities even if some of the costs would be for doing work on private property and that the estimate of costs is between \$600,000 and \$1,000,000?*

A **MOTION** by Bertram, seconded by Ehaney to approve the advisory referendum question as worded and place on the spring ballot. Motion carried.

### **Mid-Moraine Municipal Association Dinner Meeting, January 25, 2012**

The invitation to the Mid-Moraine Municipal Association Dinner Meeting was reviewed.

**Per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(g) the Village Board Will Convene into Closed Session to discuss advice from legal counsel regarding possible litigation regarding the Village of Fredonia**(L. Dohrwardt, Huber, Kunstmann, Jaeger and Sheppard left).

**MOTION** by Dohrwardt, seconded by Bertram to convene into closed session per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(g) to discuss advice from legal counsel regarding possible litigation regarding the Village of Fredonia. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

### **Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene into Open Session**

**MOTION** by Dohrwardt, seconded by Bertram to adjourn closed session and reconvene into open session. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

### **Items for Future Consideration by Village Board**

Dohrwardt stated that the Village should decide what should be done with previously collected fire and police impact fees. Impact fees can only be spent for specific purposes and within a certain time frame. These fees should either be used or returned. This suggestion needs to be directed to Committee for review.

Bertram stated that the municipal parking lot by Fredonia Avenue and Fillmore Street is dominated by the people operating the paint shop at 508 Fredonia Avenue. Many cars are parked there for more than 48 hours which is in violation of Village ordinance 10-1-27(e). The Village Marshal will check into this.

### **Adjournment**

A **MOTION** to adjourn at 9:11 p.m. was made by Dohrwardt, seconded by Ehaney, and carried.

