

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
Fredonia Government Center  
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI  
September 4, 2014**

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Chuck Lapicola. Present: Chuck Lapicola, Jill Bertram, Donald Dohrwardt, Lisa Dohrwardt, and Scott Ehaney. Also present: Al Bruhn, John Donald, Jason Gutermann, Mark Jaeger, Mike Davel, Roger Strohm and Sandi Tretow.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda**

The minutes of the August 21, 2014 village board meeting and the General Fund, Water and Sewer bills with the additional list were approved on a **MOTION** by Ehaney, seconded by Lisa Dohrwardt, and carried.

**Open Session for Citizen Comments and Questions**

None

**Request and Invoice from John Donald for driveway repair**

John Donald had submitted a letter along with an invoice requesting payment for \$824.34 which is for 3 loads of traffic bond that he used to repair his driveway at 165 Fillmore Street. He has had flooding in his garage and basement since the driveway at 163 Fillmore Street was installed. Donald feels the village is responsible for the flooding since the village issued the permit for the driveway at 163 Fillmore Street. Discussion followed. The consensus of the board was that the village is not responsible for the way the driveway was installed, and the issue is between neighbors. Donald stated that he would like to see a copy of the driveway permit that was issued.

**Email from Rob Bertram concerning large water consumption on recent bill**

Rob Bertram submitted an email addressing his second quarter water and sewer bill that he received. His bill was \$743.02 for 137,200 gallons consumption. Typically he uses 10,000-15,000 per quarter. Before the water bills were mailed, the village staff was aware of this and asked the Director of Public Works to re-read the meter. The reading was correct. Strohm left a message for Bertram advising him in advance of the bill. The consumption was coming from a leak inside Bertram's home. The consensus of the board is that the village is not responsible for the consumption, and if Bertram wished to discuss the matter further, he may attend a future village board meeting.

**Report from Fire Chief**

None

**Report from Village Marshal on Operations of Village**

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed.

**Report from Director of Public Works on Operations of Village**

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed. Strohm stated the ground pile at the lot west of the post office is being graded. Final grading will be completed soon.

**APPROVAL OF WATER MAIN CONSTRUCTION RELATED SERVICES CONTRACT WITH AYRES AND ASSOCIATES:** Strohm submitted a proposed contract with Ayres and Associates. He suggested sending it to the utilities committee for review.

Strohm stated the signed contract with PTS Contractors has been received and needs to be signed by the village and returned. Strohm is working on budgets. Dohrwardt suggested a committee of the whole meeting to all discuss budgets for 2015, so recommendations could be made at the September 18, 2014 village board meeting.

**Report from Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator**

Report was reviewed.

**Report from Clerk-Treasurer on Operations of Village**

The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed. Jo Ann Wagner's official last day is September 4, 2014. The open house held on Wednesday, September 3 was nice and had a good turnout.

**Resolution 2014-H thanking Jo Ann Wagner for her years of service to the village**

Resolution 2014-H thanking Jo Ann Wagner for her years of service to the village was adopted on a **MOTION** by Don Dohrwardt, seconded by Lopicola, and carried.

**Plan Commission – August 25, 2014 meeting**

The minutes from the August 25, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Lopicola stated the permit has not yet been picked up for 755 Tower Drive. Lopicola said the annexation discussion was tabled because the interested party was not there, and the property owner in the town of Fredonia does not think the annexation is a good idea.

**Public Works Committee – August 25, 2014 meeting**

Lopicola reported the 2015 budget was reviewed. He suggested contacting the Lion's Club for a donation for Christmas decorations. Lopicola stated the village needs more industrial park land.

**Architectural Control Board – August 27, 2014 meeting**

Don Dohrwardt reported on the new home that was approved on North Milwaukee Street in the Village Green subdivision. He also stated that Marek Luza attended the meeting to get guidance on lot 44 and the shoreland setbacks.

**Finance Committee – August 28, 2014 meeting**

Don Dohrwardt stated the preliminary budget numbers for 2015 were reviewed. A lot of information is still needed to get better numbers. The long range plan for land and equipment was also discussed. The debt service for Martin Drive is anticipated to be paid off in 2018. The committee is continuing to finalize numbers.

**FINANCING OF FREDONIA AVENUE WATERMAIN PROJECT:** The committee recommends funding the Fredonia Avenue watermain project by borrowing from general fund the difference between what is available in the water fund and the balance needed for the project. Interest will be charged at the rate which a bank would charge. Financing about reconstructing Fredonia Avenue was also discussed and how that would tie in with the water department borrowing from general fund. A **MOTION** by Don Dohrwardt to allow the water utility to borrow from general fund the amount needed to pay for the Fredonia Avenue watermain project with interest, seconded by Lopicola, and carried.

**APPROVE STRAND AND ASSOCIATES FOR WWTP NEEDS STUDY:** The Wastewater Treatment Plant needs study was discussed. \$10,000 will need to be put in the 2015 sewer budget to pay for the study. A **MOTION** by Don Dohrwardt to approve Strand and Associates for the needs study, seconded by Lopicola, and carried.

Jill Bertram left.

**Parks Committee – September 4, 2014 meeting**

Lisa Dohrwardt reported on the discussion at the meeting. The committee decided that rubber tee pads are inferior to concrete as they need annual maintenance, rodents invade, erosion and usage deteriorate them quicker. The recommendation of the committee was to move forward with the project using concrete tee pads.

**DISC GOLF TEE PAD CONSTRUCTION:** A **MOTION** by Don Dohrwardt to accept the low bid for the concrete tee pads, seconded by Lisa Dohrwardt, and carried.

**Correspondence**

The correspondence from 2014 Fall Town and Village Workshops Agenda including Finance and Budget, and the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin Notice of Hearing for WE Energies to adjust electric, natural gas and steam rates was reviewed.

**Items for Future Consideration by village board**

None.

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**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Ehaney, seconded by Lopicola, and carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Sandi Tretow  
Clerk-Treasurer