

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
Fredonia Government Center
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI
September 17, 2015**

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Donald Dohrwardt. Present: Don Dohrwardt, Jill Bertram, Fritz Buchholtz, Lisa Dohrwardt, John Long, and Neil Wagner. Also present: Mike Davel, Jason Nelsen, Roger Strohm and Sandi Tretow.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

The minutes of the September 3, 2015 village board meeting, the General Fund, Water and Sewer bills with the additional list, the August Treasurer report, operator license for Brooke Jeffery, and Special Gathering Beer and Wine license for Divine Savior Home and School Association, October 10-11, 2015, were approved on a **MOTION** by Buchholtz, seconded by Long, and carried.

Open Session for Citizen Comments and Questions

None.

At this time, the village president moved to report on operations from wastewater treatment plant operator due to a prior engagement.

Report on Operations of Village by Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

Nelsen stated that annual required calibrations on scales were completed. CBOD's for August were lower than ever. Bypassing the bio-tower has been working well. Sludge hauling is set to begin towards the end of October-early November. Nelsen left.

Unfinished Business:

VILLAGE PRESIDENT SALARY: A spreadsheet detailing salaries from neighboring municipalities' village presidents was presented for review and discussion. Don Dohrwardt stated an increase in village president salary from \$3,000 to \$4,500 per year would place Fredonia within the range with other local communities. Bertram also researched some other municipalities and presented village president's salaries from those. Discussion followed. Buchholtz asked who would be willing to take the position. Buchholtz stated two years ago, all of the trustees willingly accepted an increase while the village president's salary was not increased. Don Dohrwardt reminded this increase would not take effect until April 2017, so it would increase for whoever is voted village president at that time. Wagner questioned if it would be appropriate to require set office hours per week along with the increase. After further discussion, a **MOTION** to increase the village president salary from \$3,000 to \$4,500 per year effective April 2017 by Buchholtz, seconded by Lisa Dohrwardt, and carried with Bertram opposed.

ORDINANCE 2015-02 AMENDING SECTION 13 CHAPTER 1 OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO REQUIREMENTS OF SITE PLAN SUBMITTAL – SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING: Don Dohrwardt stated that the Plan Commission recommended amending Section 13 Chapter 1 of the Village Code of Ordinances pertaining to requirements of site plan submittal at their August 31, 2015 meeting. Amending the zoning code will require a Class 2 notice to be published and a public hearing held. A **MOTION** to publish the notice of public hearing for October 15, 2015 by Long, seconded by Lisa Dohrwardt, and carried.

Report on Operations of Village by Village President

Nothing to report.

Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief

The report from the Fire Chief was reviewed.

Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. Davel stated that Trick or Treat has been set for Saturday, October 31, 2015 from 4-7 p.m. Davel left.

Report on Operations of Village by Director of Public Works

No written report. The water tower has been drained in preparation for upcoming improvements. Leaf collection will begin Tuesday, October 6th. Bulky item collection will be on Friday, October 9th from 3-6 p.m. and Saturday, October 10th from 8 a.m. – noon. Since there is no water in the tower, hydrant flushing may take place in November. It was just done in spring.

Fredonia Avenue: The fine grading should be complete tomorrow. Next Monday and Tuesday will be preparation for paving that should take place starting Wednesday, September 23, 2015. The final asphalt should be placed in approximately two weeks after that. Buchholtz stated there is no warning by the bridge by the creek, and that area should be marked clearly for safety. Long stated the wall by 701 Fredonia Avenue needs to be put back. Don Dohrwardt stated these are items that will be taken care of.

Report on Operations of Village by Clerk-Treasurer

The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed. An email from the Ozaukee County Clerk was reviewed concerning delivery of new election equipment. Tretow stated the Village of Fredonia is now on Twitter. Follow @FredVill. This is another form of outreach to residents to keep them informed of events that are occurring in the Village.

Accept resignation of Village Trustee

Fritz Buchholtz stated that he has served on the village board for 8-1/2 years and has submitted his resignation. He thanked the board for the opportunity and appreciates the friendships made. A **MOTION** to accept the resignation of Fritz Buchholtz with regrets by Lisa Dohrwardt, seconded by Don Dohrwardt, and carried.

Economic Development Committee – September 10, 2015

The minutes from the Economic Development Committee – September 10, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Lisa Dohrwardt stated that she would like to discuss the idea of putting together a promotional video similar to the Village of Oostburg's with the Chamber of Commerce that would be placed on the Village of Fredonia as well as the Fredonia Area Chamber of Commerce's website.

APPROVE ATTENDANCE AT BUSINESS READY WI.COM CONFERENCE – OCTOBER 5-6, 2015 IN WEST BEND, WI: Lisa Dohrwardt stated that she would like to attend this conference to network and see what programs are being used. A **MOTION** to approve attendance for the Business Ready Wi.com Conference for Lisa Dohrwardt with mileage by Buchholtz, seconded by Long, and carried.

APPROVE ATTENDANCE AT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 101 FOR LOCAL LEADERS TRAINING – OCTOBER 29, 2015 IN GRAFTON, WI: Lisa Dohrwardt stated that she would like to attend this training to learn more about economic development concepts and issues affecting local municipalities. A **MOTION** to approve attendance at Economic Development 101 for Local Leaders Training for Lisa Dohrwardt with mileage by Buchholtz, seconded by Long, and carried.

Correspondence

The following correspondence was reviewed:

- A. UW-Extension Local Government Center – Current Issues Affecting Local Government Officials:

Items for Future Consideration by Village Board

Wagner stated that he would like to see a practice of acquiring at least two bids when purchasing a large dollar item such as the lawn mower that was recently approved.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Buchholtz, seconded by Lisa Dohrwardt, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow
Clerk-Treasurer