

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
Fredonia Government Center
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI
October 1, 2015**

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Donald Dohrwardt. Present: Don Dohrwardt, Jill Bertram, Lisa Dohrwardt, John Long, Jeff Rodgers and Neil Wagner. Also present: Mark Jaeger, Mike Davel, Roger Strohm and Sandi Tretow. Arriving later: Brian Schommer.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

The minutes of the September 17, 2015 village board meeting and the General Fund, Water and Sewer bills with the additional list, were approved on a **MOTION** by Lisa Dohrwardt, seconded by Rodgers, and carried.

Open Session for Citizen Comments and Questions

None.

Resolution 2015-M thanking Fritz Buchholtz for his years of service to the Village

A **MOTION** to approve Resolution 2015-M thanking Fritz Buchholtz for his years of service to the Village by Long, seconded by Wagner, and carried.

Report on Operations of Village by Village President

Don Dohrwardt stated the vacancy for Fritz Buchholtz's trustee's seat needs to be filled. The consensus of the board is to advertise for the position on the village website and outdoor electronic sign. Schommer arrived.

Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief

Schommer stated that hose testing was conducted and complete. Three lengths of hose failed. New air packs are in service. The old bottles may have some scrap value.

Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. Davel stated the speed board will be placed on Fredonia Avenue next week. Davel left.

Report on Operations of Village by Director of Public Works

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed. Rain has pushed back placing the final layer of asphalt until next week. There are three properties on Fredonia Avenue where the property owner is not satisfied with the work done by the contractor and will need to be addressed. The water tower has been getting pressure washed. The adjacent business is not happy about the spray falling on vehicles and the building. The contractor is expected to clean up. Strohm, Long and Wagner attended the WEFTEC conference yesterday, and it was worthwhile.

Report on Operations of Village by Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

The report from the wastewater treatment plant operator was reviewed.

SLUDGE HAULING CONTRACT: The contract from Badger State Waste LLC is the same price as last year, and is holding this price for five years. Strohm stated that he is satisfied so far with the service. A **MOTION** to approve the five year contract with Badger State Waste LLC by Long, seconded by Lisa Dohrwardt, and carried.

Report on Operations of Village by Clerk-Treasurer

The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed.

APPROVE ATTENDANCE AT WMCA DISTRICT V MEETING – NOVEMBER 12, 2015 IN OCONOMOWOC, WI: A **MOTION** to approve attendance for the Clerk-Treasurer to attend the WMCA District V meeting on November 12, 2015 in Oconomowoc, WI for \$27.00 plus mileage by Bertram, seconded by Rodgers, and carried.

Utilities Committee – September 17, 2015 meeting

Wagner stated the Utilities Committee recommends Strand Associates for engineering of upgrades at Wastewater Treatment Plant.

AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH SLUDGE STORAGE DESIGN: The committee recommends proceeding with sludge storage design. The approximate cost is \$600,000. The engineering fees with Strand Associates will be approximately \$60,000 which includes design of bypass of primary clarifier. A **MOTION** to approve contract with Strand Associates for sludge storage design and bypass of primary clarifier design by Long, seconded by Bertram, and carried. Strohm will present scope for the next village board meeting.

Parks Committee – September 17, 2015 meeting

The tree lighting will be held on a Saturday this year – November 28th at 6:00 p.m. at the Fredonia Government Center. Street decorations, green space west of Post Office lot, disc golf and acquiring land for baseball fields was also discussed. Playground equipment that is stored by water tower currently may be placed at Oak Park. Fredonia Avenue street dedication will be planned for next spring. Parks committee will need to meet prior to the next Finance Committee meeting to discuss 2016 budget.

Finance Committee – October 1, 2015 meeting

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL: The current health insurance plan with United Healthcare is increasing 12.4% effective November 1, 2015. An ACA Alternative (Affordable Care Act) with United Healthcare was presented reflecting an 11.8% decrease in current premium. Dental insurance premium is increasing 2.9%. An analysis of the Village's life, short-term disability and accidental death and dismemberment policy was completed. For a \$23.00 increase per month in premium and switching from Anthem to SunLife, the life benefit would increase from \$10,000 to \$25,000, the weekly benefit of short term disability would increase from \$200 per week to \$350 per week, and a long term disability policy would be added. A voluntary vision insurance plan is also being offered at the employee's expense. A **MOTION** to accept finance committee's recommendations to renew the Village's health insurance with United Healthcare ACA Alternative with 11.8% decrease, dental with Humanadental for 2.9% increase, switch from Anthem to SunLife for life, short term, accidental death and dismemberment and add long term disability for \$167 per month, and a voluntary vision plan at employee expense by Bertram, seconded by Long, and carried.

FREDONIA AVENUE LOAN: Don Dohrwardt stated the village has already paid \$385,000 from the general fund to pay for the Fredonia Avenue project. The anticipated cost is expected to be around \$1 million. A **MOTION** to borrow the balance of amount needed for the Fredonia Avenue loan of approximately \$600,000 by Long, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

Per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) the village board will convene into closed session to discuss employment and compensation Jaeger and Strohm left.

Per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) the village board will convene into closed session to discuss employment and compensation by Bertram, seconded by Lisa Dohrwardt, and carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Adjourn closed session and reconvene into open session

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

Part-time ambulance position

The consensus of the village board is to proceed as discussed in closed session

Correspondence

The following correspondence was reviewed:

- A. Breakfast & Legislative Update with State Senator Duey Stroebel at NoNo's Restaurant – Monday, October 5, 2015

Items for Future Consideration

Wagner stated that paid days off by employees should be considered instead of vacation, sick days and holidays. This should be directed to the Personnel Committee

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Lisa Dohrwardt, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow
Clerk-Treasurer