

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
Fredonia Government Center  
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI  
March 1, 2018**

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Donald Dohrwardt. Present: Don Dohrwardt, Jill Bertram, John Long, Rudy McCormick, TJ Meyers-Jansky and Kris Roden. Also present: Rick Abegglen, Joshua Haas, Mason Thill, Ken and Linda Watry, Billy and Chase Mills, Joe Poirer, John Derler, Roger Strohm and Sandi Tretow. Arriving later: Bill Bertram and Dr. Dave Brouillette.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda**

The minutes from the February 15, 2018 village board meeting, the general fund, water, and sewer bills with the additional list, and the Operator License for Terry Mueller were approved on a **MOTION** by Bertram, seconded by McCormick, and carried.

**Open Session for Citizen Questions and Comments**

Ken Watry requested the village board consider naming the park west of the post office after Eugene and Vera Emmer as they donated much land to the village.

**Unfinished Business:**

**MASON THILL'S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT:** Thill stated that he was able to reduce some costs, and raise enough funds to complete his project. Any remaining funds would be returned to the village, as it is the beneficiary of the project. Thill will advise the village board monthly of his progress. Electrical and building permits will need to be obtained. The Plan Commission will need to approve the site plan and the Architectural Control Board will also need to approve. The village board congratulated Thill on his hard work.

**UPDATE ON BARRIERS USED AS A "FENCE" AT 601-605 FREDONIA AVENUE:** An order to immediately remove the stakes and garbage cans at 601-605 Fredonia Avenue drafted by the village attorney, signed by the building inspector, and hand delivered by the Fredonia Marshal to Ken Watry was discussed. Watry stated the tires in his driveway were removed as requested and has put snow markers in place. He claims the markers are not a fence although the building inspector said it is because garbage cans are placed in between, so it construes a fence. Dave Brouillette said the stakes are part of the fence and reminded the village board they took an oath to uphold state laws and village ordinances. More discussion followed with McCormick and Meyers-Jansky stating that Watry was given an order to follow, and if not complied, consequences will follow. The Watry's left.

**RESOLUTION 2018-B PRELIMINARY RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO EXERCISE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT POLICE POWERS PURSUANT TO WIS. STAT. 66.0703 (TAX KEY# 09-050-05-14-017):** The preliminary resolution drafted by the village attorney was discussed. A **MOTION** to adopt Resolution 2018-B Preliminary Resolution Declaring Intent to Exercise Special Assessment Police Powers Pursuant to Wis. Stat. 66.0703 by McCormick, seconded by Meyers-Jansky, and carried.

**RESOLUTION 2018-C PRELIMINARY RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO EXERCISE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT POLICE POWERS PURSUANT TO WIS. STAT. 66.0703 (TAX KEY# 09-050-05-14-010) AND RESOLUTION 2018-D PRELIMINARY RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO EXERCISE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT POLICE POWERS PURSUANT TO WIS. STAT. 66.0703 (TAX KEY# 09-050-05-14-018).** Don Dohrwardt referred this to President Pro Tem John Long as it pertains to Dohrwardt's properties. Dohrwardt recused himself and sat in the audience. These resolutions were previously adopted in 2005, but no report was completed nor public hearing held. The advice of the village attorney is to start over with new resolutions since so much time has lapsed. After discussion, a **MOTION** by McCormick to adopt both

Resolutions 2018-C and Resolution 2018-D as written, seconded by Meyers-Jansky, and carried. Dohrwardt did not vote. Dohrwardt then returned to his seat.

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT WAGE:** This topic was discussed at the February 15, 2018 village board meeting. During the ordinance recodification project, a conflict was discovered between village ordinances and state statutes pertaining to votes required to increase wages for village trustees and village president. It is believed the raise for village president was improperly put in place. Dohrwardt received ½ of his increased wage in October 2017. It was questioned if Dohrwardt needs to reimburse that increase, and what he should get paid in April 2018. After discussion, a **MOTION** to refer this issue to the village attorney by Meyers-Jansky. McCormick added to inquire what is needed to bring up to current standards. With that addition, the **MOTION** was accepted by Meyers-Jansky, seconded by McCormick, and carried unanimously. Dohrwardt questioned the trustee wage that was voted on a few years prior.

**Report on Operations of Village by Village President**

Nothing new to report.

**Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief**

No report.

**ACCEPT DONATION OF FACIA AT FIRE STATION FROM PHD ROOF DOCTORS:** PHD Roof Doctors already clad approximately 374 feet of exiting facia prior to installing gutter for a cost of \$3,300 which they donated to the village. A **MOTION** to accept the donation with extreme gratitude by McCormick, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

**Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal**

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. Davel submitted a report detailing the Active Shooter Conference that he attended February 21 & 22 which the village board reviewed.

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

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed.

**Report on Operations of Village by Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator**

The report from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator was reviewed.

**APPROVE ATTENDANCE FOR DISINFECTION COURSE AT WASTEWATER TRAINING SOLUTIONS, MARCH 27 & 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 IN MADISON, WI:** Strohm is requesting attendance for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator to attend the Disinfection class as the village will be changing the way it disinfects its wastewater. After discussion, a **MOTION** to approve attendance, lodging and use of a village vehicle for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator at the Disinfection Course hosted by Wastewater Training Solutions March 27-28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in Madison, WI by McCormick, seconded by Roden, and carried.

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

The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed.

**ASSIGN YEAR END AMOUNTS:** After discussion, the following amounts were assigned as of December 31, 2017:

Capital Equipment	\$200,000.00
Economic Development	10,561.00
Fire Department LOSA	10,366.89
Parks	107,629.48
Contingency/Loan	479,638.00
Fredonia Government Center	3,000.00
Stormwater	47,099.26
Industrial Park Acquisition	119,277.39
Village Green Letter of Credit	<u>16,875.93</u>
Total Assigned Amounts	\$994,447.95

Unspent from 2017 was \$25,000 in parks capital for unnamed park by the post office, \$50,000 in Stoney Creek Park Equipment and \$13,000 for disc golf bridges. This total of \$88,000 was added to Parks Reserve. \$84,000 unspent from 2017 capital budget for sidewalks was added to contingency/loan account. Dohrwardt felt it would be less likely to lose track of these projects if added to the assigned general fund balance. With these additions, a **MOTION** to assign 2017 year end amounts as shown by McCormick, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

**APPROVE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO SERVE AS FREDONIA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SECRETARY:** The Fredonia Area Chamber of Commerce is going through some personnel changes, and village hall office staff thought it may be beneficial for the Chamber as well as the village, to offer assistance to the chamber. The Administrative Assistant would serve as the Fredonia Area Chamber of Commerce Secretary. After discussion, a **MOTION** to allow the Administrative Assistant to serve as the Fredonia Area Chamber of Commerce, pay dues to the Chamber from the Economic Development expense account, and have the Chairperson of the Economic Development Committee serve as liaison between the Chamber and the village by Meyers-Jansky, seconded by McCormick, and carried.

**Parks Committee February 22 and March 1, 2018 meetings**

The minutes from the Parks Committee – February 22, 2018 meeting were reviewed. The new Fredonia baseball club is requesting dirt diamonds and new bases. Parks will need to review. The committee met prior to the village board meeting tonight to review the architectural plans proposed for the unnamed park located west of the post office. This project would be completed in phases and costs will need to be determined. A fee schedule for the disc golf course will need to be established.

**Items for Future Consideration by Village Board**

Long stated the Plan Commission and Architectural Control Board will be meeting next week. A new home proposed for 230 N. Milwaukee Street will be reviewed. Sidewalk installation and who will pay for it may arise.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Meyers-Jansky, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow  
Clerk-Treasurer