

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
Fredonia Government Center
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI
December 20, 2018**

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Donald Dohrwardt. Present: Don Dohrwardt, Richard Abegglen, Jill Bertram, Joshua Haas, John Long, Bill McLarty and TJ Meyers-Jansky. Also present: Dan Benson, Mike Davel, Roger Strohm and Sandi Tretow. Arriving later: Paul Krause.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

The minutes from the December 6, 2018 village board meeting, the general fund, water, and sewer bills, and the November Treasurer's Report were approved on a **MOTION** by Abegglen, seconded by Meyers-Jansky, and carried.

Open Session for Citizen Questions and Comments

Dohrwardt wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous 2019. He summarized the accomplishments of the village board over the past years and complimented the trustees on their follow through and bringing many projects to completion.

Unfinished Business:

DECISION ON WHETHER ATTENDANCE AT MILWAUKEE METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT WATERSHED PLANNING MEETINGS SHOULD BE A PAID COMMITTEE MEETING: Bertram stated this is not a standing nor an adhoc committee. Haas agreed and stated everyone should have a chance to participate, and these meetings are held during weekdays when most trustees are at work. After more discussion, a **MOTION** to keep as a non-paid meeting by Bertram, seconded by Haas, and carried with Long and Dohrwardt abstaining.

Revisit Sidewalk Installation on Existing Properties in the Village

Long stated that when collecting signatures for his nomination papers, he was speaking with some residents on N. Milwaukee Street, who feel there should be sidewalks. He said for N. Milwaukee and N. Wilson Streets, the cost would only be about \$25,000 if the village fully funded. Dohrwardt expressed concern with setting precedence, and it is not fair to residents who have had to pay for their sidewalks previously. Bertram stated all residents use sidewalks and the cost should be shared. If the areas previously identified as needing sidewalks would be done in stages, it could be budgeted for. More discussion followed. A **MOTION** to install identified sidewalks over a five-year period, and the village will pay one-half by Bertram and seconded by Meyers-Jansky. More discussion ensued concerning who would investigate which sidewalks would be installed - and prioritize by importance. The consensus was the Public Works Committee should do this. The motion carried with McLarty and Dohrwardt voting nay.

Report on Operations of Village by Village President

Nothing additional to report.

Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief

The November Fredonia Fire Department Ambulance financial report was reviewed.

TOWN OF SAUKVILLE FIRE CONTRACT: Dohrwardt stated a one-year zero increase contract was offered, so that negotiations can be done next year. Since there will not be a village board meeting until January 3, 2019, Dohrwardt is asking for the ability to sign a contract, subject to recommendation from the Fredonia Fire Chief, so there is no lapse in coverage of this service area. A **MOTION** to allow the village president and fire chief to sign a one-year, zero increase contract based on fire chief recommendation by Meyers-Jansky, seconded by Haas, and carried.

Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed.

REQUEST TO CARRYOVER 2018 POLICE BUDGET FUNDS INTO 2019: Davel is requesting \$5,000 of unspent monies from the maintenance account to 2019 for the purpose of a squad purchase in 2020 or 2021. A **MOTION** to carryover \$5,000 from 2018 police maintenance budget into 2019 for the purpose of replacing a squad by Long, seconded by Meyers-Jansky, and carried.

CROSSWALK FLAGS: Long requested that the village marshal discuss the idea of crosswalk flags at the intersections of Fredonia Avenue and Wilson Street as well as Fredonia Avenue and Milwaukee Street. Davel stated that cars are not required to stop and does not feel that flags will help. The idea of flashing signs would draw attention, but they are expensive and require maintenance.

Report on Operations of Village by Director of Public Works

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed. Strohm stated the restaurants and bakery on Highland will be visited to see how grease traps are maintained. The sewer on Highland needed to be cleaned and televised due to a sewer backup. Grease, sand, grit and concrete were found during the process.

Report on Operations of Village by Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

The report from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator was reviewed.

Report on Operations of Village by Clerk-Treasurer

The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed.

RESOLUTION 2018-X PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION, FILING, INSPECTION AND ADOPTION OF A CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES: Tretow stated this resolution should be reviewed and adopted at the second village board meeting in January due to timing of public hearings for Plan Commission and village board.

Tech Committee – December 18, 2018 meeting

The minutes from the Tech Committee – December 18, 2018 meeting were reviewed. The proposed policy will be finalized to present to the village board at a future meeting. The ability to ensure confidentiality during a possible closed session is an important consideration.

Economic Development Committee – December 19, 2018 meeting

The minutes from the Economic Development Committee – December 19, 2018 meeting were reviewed and discussed.

New Business:

TREE LIGHTING THANK YOU'S: Bertram stated for past year's tree lighting events, a thank you of \$50 was sent to Santa. The other participants are being acknowledged and thanked in the January newsletter that will be mailed with the water bills. A **MOTION** to send \$50 to Santa as a thank you by Bertram, seconded by Meyers-Jansky, and carried.

Items for Future Consideration by the Village Board

Meyers-Jansky stated that she will not be seeking re-election in April, but would still like to be involved as a citizen where she is able. The board expressed its appreciation to Meyers-Jansky for all of her dedication and hard work during her term of service.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Abegglen, seconded by Haas, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow
Clerk-Treasurer