

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
Fredonia Government Center
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI
May 16, 2019**

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by President Donald Dohrwardt. Present: Don Dohrwardt, Richard Abegglen, Jill Bertram, Daniel Gehrke, Joshua Haas, John Long, and Bill McLarty. Also present: Wendi Unger from Baker Tilly, Mike Davel, Roger Strohm, Brian Weyker and Sandi Tretow. Arriving later: Joe Kelly and Paul Krause.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

Long stated in the May 2 village board minutes under WEFTEC conference that it is held every two years in Chicago, but in another location alternating years, so it is held every year – and that online registration is suggested, not required. With those additions, the minutes from the May 2, 2019 village board meeting, the general fund, water, and sewer bills with the additional list, the April Treasurer's Report and the Operator's Licenses for Jamie Wendorf and Michelle McCrea were approved on a **MOTION** by Haas, seconded by McLarty, and carried.

Open Session for Citizen Questions and Comments

None.

Presentation of Financial Statements for Period Ending December 31, 2018 by Wendi Unger, Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP

Wendi Unger, partner with Baker Tilly presented the Village's financial statements for 2018. An unmodified audit opinion was issued on the financial statements which are fairly presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The general fund balance decreased \$636,048 to \$1,056,997. Material weaknesses include lack of internal controls due to amount of staffing, which is typical in a municipality of this size. Unger discussed the old receivables that have been carried over the years - \$2,288.71 in the general fund and \$7,961.33 in the water utility. She would look through their archives to see if anything could be found, but felt the amounts should be written off due to age and chances of collection being low.

Report on Operations of Village by Village President

FINALIZE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: Dohrwardt will have for the next village board meeting.

Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief

The April financial report for the fire department ambulance was reviewed.

CONTRACT WITH LIFEQUEST: Weyker presented a comparison between LifeQuest and EMS Billing Services. Initially, EMS Billing Services stated their collection fees would be higher, but they were basing that off of outdated rates, so after careful comparison, there would be no financial benefit of switching. The new three-year contract with LifeQuest takes effect July 1, 2019, and then auto-renews. After discussion, a **MOTION** to contract ambulance services with LifeQuest by Haas, seconded by Abegglen, and carried.

APPROVE POWERLOAD PURCHASE: A 2019 capital budget request for a Power Load system for \$16,000 was determined that it would be paid for out of ambulance fees. This system would be able to lift the cot up, get the cot in and out of the ambulance, and provided added rollover protection in case of an accident. This would also prevent back injuries as no lifting is required. A one-year old demo unit was quoted to the fire department ambulance staff for \$21,264.00. There is also an approximate additional \$1,000 installation fee. After discussion, a **MOTION** to approve the powerload system for \$21,264 plus installation out of ambulance fees by McLarty, seconded by Gehrke, and

carried. Weyker stated a lot of the new homes in the village do not have house numbers on them. Or if they do, they are hard to read. The building inspector will be notified.

Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. All officers qualified with the new duty weapons and are using them while on duty. Davel stated the request in item 13 on the agenda would probably need a change of ordinance and would be best worked on at the committee level.

Report on Operations of Village by Director of Public Works

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed.

ELECTRICAL AND CONCRETE WORK FOR FREEDOM PARK: The grading contractor will start next week, weather-permitting. Only one bid for electrical has been received so far, and Andrew J Construction had the low bid for concrete. Joe Kelly, the owner of the property at 600 Fredonia Avenue stated that he is getting water in his building from some low curbing in the sidewalk and is hoping for some assistance. He purchased the property last year and has been getting the property ready to rent. The consensus of the board was that Strohm should investigate and report back. For the work at Freedom Park, a **MOTION** to allow the Director of Public Works to award concrete work at \$25,000 or less, and electrical at \$24,000 or less by Haas, seconded by Abegglen, and carried.

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 2019-H APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM JUDGE FOR THE MID-MORAINÉ MUNICIPAL COURT: The Mid-Moraine Municipal Court Administrative Committee recommends appointing Christine Ohlis as interim judge until April 2020 when the term expires. A **MOTION** to adopt Resolution 2019-H Approving Appointment of Interim Judge for the Mid-Moraine Municipal Court by Long, seconded by Gehrke, and carried.

INSURANCE RENEWALS FOR VILLAGE PROPERTY, VEHICLES AND WORKER'S COMP EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019: The renewal packet from EMC Insurance was reviewed and discussed. The annual premium increased 3.5% overall and the dividend on the worker's comp will be 10% flat. A **MOTION** to renew the village insurance for property, vehicles and worker's comp effective June 1, 2019 by Haas, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

Plan Commission – May 6, 2019 meeting

The minutes from the Plan Commission – May 6, 2019 meeting were reviewed.

ORDINANCE 2019-04 AMENDING SECTIONS 575-83, 575-18 AND 575-51 IN THE VILLAGE OF FREDONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO ACCESSORY USES, BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES WITHIN THE VILLAGE AND ORDINANCE 2019-05 AMENDING SECTION 575-86 IN THE VILLAGE OF FREDONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO FENCES WITHIN THE VILLAGE: These ordinances were discussed together. After, a **MOTION** to adopt Ordinances 2019-04 and 2019-05 by Long, seconded by Haas, and carried.

Economic Development Committee – May 8, 2019 meeting

The minutes from the Economic Development Committee – May 8, 2019 meeting were reviewed.

Committee of the Whole – May 13, 2019 meeting

Haas reported that he, Abegglen and Dohrwardt attended a board meeting in the Village of Oostburg.

Utilities Committee – May 14, 2019 meeting

McLarty stated the committee met to discuss televising on Edmaro Street, possible amendments to the Strand contract, and financing for the grit removal project that is currently underway.

Review of Ethics Code

The Ethics Code was reviewed, discussed and acknowledged by each village board member.

New Business

REQUEST FROM OZAUKEE WARRIOR AND SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION TO WAIVE OR MODIFY PREMISE RESTRICTIONS FOR TEMPORARY CLASS B BEER AND WINE LICENSES: Paul Krause, President for the Ozaukee Warrior and Softball Association would like the village board to consider a change to village ordinances as the wording is confusing. The association is possibly hosting two tournaments this summer in the village and would like to raise funds by selling beer and wine. Village ordinance 339-16(C)(1) requires fencing of the licenses premises, and 339-16(F) states the village board may waive or modify the requirements due to the physical characteristics of the licensed site. It was suggested the applications be submitted clearly specifying the premises desired, and the village board can waive or modify the premise requirements at the same time. This topic will be referred to the Public Safety Committee, so that it can review and possibly recommend changes to the ordinance as this topic will arise again due to more tournaments, the disc golf course and the new park.

Correspondence: Thank you from Ozaukee High Leos and Northern Ozaukee School District for participation in service project

Correspondence was reviewed.

Items for Future Consideration by the Village Board

Haas spoke about the houses and businesses for sale on Fredonia Avenue. The Economic Development Committee should look into those. Weyker spoke about fire inspections that are ongoing with the businesses in Fredonia and the industrial park.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Gehrke, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow
Clerk-Treasurer