

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
Fredonia Government Center
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI
November 2, 2017**

The public hearing on the proposed 2018 General fund, Capital, Debt Service, Fire Department, Water Utility, and Sewer Utility budgets was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Don Dohrwardt.

Brad Mayer, 442 Emerald Hills Drive, questioned planting of street trees in the Village Green subdivision and communication with residents. Strohm stated planting of trees was the responsibility of the village using Letter of Credit monies from the developer.

Adjourn Public Hearing and Call to Order Regular Village Board Meeting

Receiving no comments concerning the proposed 2018 budgets, the public hearing was closed and the regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Present: Don Dohrwardt, Jill Bertram, John Long, TJ Meyers-Jansky, Kris Roden and Neil Wagner. Also present: Rick Abegglen, Joshua Haas, Brad Mayer, Rudy McCormick, Dan Paulus, Dave Boehler, Roger Strohm and Sandi Tretow. Arriving later: Carsten Pojar.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Pojar arrived.

Consent Agenda

The minutes of the October 19, 2017 village board meeting, and the general fund, water and sewer bills and the operator license for Colonel Rader were approved on a **MOTION** by Meyers-Jansky, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

Open Session for Citizen Comments and Questions

None.

Applications for Village Trustee

Four candidates submitted applications for village trustee: Richard Abegglen, Joshua Haas, Rudolph McCormick and Dan Paulus. Each candidate was asked to introduce himself:

RICHARD ABEGGLEN, 419 Emerald Hills Drive: Has lived in the village for three years, manages property on Forest Street, and has children in Northern Ozaukee School system. He is an eight year U.S. Air Force veteran, looking for a way to give back to the community. Currently works at U-Line Corporation as an engineer.

JOSHUA HAAS, 223 N. Wilson Street: moved to the village in March 2017. He runs a water bottle company and also works as a quality manager at Olympus Group. He serves on charity boards and volunteered to support organizations in the community. He would like to use his skills and talents to serve the village board.

RUDY MCCORMICK, 919 Partridge Lane: has lived in the village for over a year and works as a manager in digital market – e-commerce. He has plan commission experience from the City of Watertown, real estate development, site plan review as well as budget management. He has served on non-profit boards and has extensive networking experience. He would like to use his experience to help to make the village great.

DAN PAULUS, 913 Fredonia Avenue: has lived in the village for over 30 years, owns a tax preparation business and works for Petersen Industries. He is a 4-H leader for Waubeka and helps with “The Haunt”. His long term residency and experience in the village would be beneficial for the village board.

The consensus of the village board is to allow time for consideration and will make an appointment at the next village board meeting on Thursday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m. This term will expire in April 2018.

Resolution 2017-K Adopting Village of Fredonia 2018 Budgets

There were no comments from the public concerning the proposed 2018 budgets, but Long read in “The Municipality” magazine how the State budget includes a levy limit adjustment for fire protection fees. This topic will need to be researched, and how it can possibly help the budget in the future. A **MOTION** to adopt Resolution 2017-K Adopting Village of Fredonia 2018 Budgets by Meyers-Jansky, seconded by Wagner, and carried.

Report on Operations of Village by Village President

DISPOSITION OF REMAINING 2016 ROAD REDEDICATION PARTY T-SHIRTS:
An inventory of the remaining 2016 Road Rededication Party T-shirts was provided. A total of 41 shirts are left. Discussion followed concerning best use of the shirts. A **MOTION** to donate t-shirts to charity or charities that are appropriate by Meyers-Jansky, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief

No report.

Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed.

Report on Operations of Village by Director of Public Works

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed.

PLOW TRUCK PURCHASE: Strohm stated the finance committee recommends purchasing a new plow truck out of the capital equipment reserve account. The 2001 International Plow Truck has been problematic for years and is in need of being replaced. Strohm has quotes on two different models including trade-in of the 2001 International. He will see whether trading in or auctioning will provide the better value. After discussion, a **MOTION** to proceed with purchase of plow truck not to exceed \$154,000 and to either trade in or auction the 2001 International by Long, seconded by Roden, 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. Dohrwardt stated the codification portfolio and manuscript copy arrived from General Code and needs to be reviewed and returned before March 1, 2018. This will be discussed in the future.

APPROVE QUARLES & BRADY AS DISCLOSURE COUNSEL FOR PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2017 REGARDING \$4,080,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS: Due to increasing scrutiny from the Internal Revenue Service, disclosure counsel is recommended for the Preliminary Official Statement prepared by RW Baird and the Village. The fee is approximately \$6,500 and will be deducted from the proceeds of refunding bonds. After discussion, a **MOTION** to approve disclosure counsel by Bertram, seconded by Wagner, and carried.

Personnel Committee – November 2, 2017

The Personnel Committee met on November 2, 2017 prior to the village board meeting to interview candidates for the utility worker position, in closed session.

Per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) the village board will convene into closed session to discuss employee performance and compensation

Per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) the village board convened into closed session to discuss employee performance and compensation on a **MOTION** by Bertram, seconded by Wagner, 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 Meyers-Jansky, seconded by Wagner, and carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Utility Worker

A **MOTION** to proceed as discussed in closed session by Bertram, seconded by Wagner, and carried.

2018 Wages

A **MOTION** to proceed as discussed in closed session by Meyers-Jansky, seconded by Bertram, and carried with Roden and Long opposed.

Items for Future Consideration by Village Board

The village board discussed the candidates for village trustee and how to fill the vacancy. The consensus of the village board is to invite all four candidates to the November 16, 2017 village board meeting. The board will vote via paper ballot, and the appointed candidate will be sworn in that evening. All four candidates will be encouraged to take out nomination papers to be on the April 2018 ballot.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Long, seconded by Wagner, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow
Clerk-Treasurer